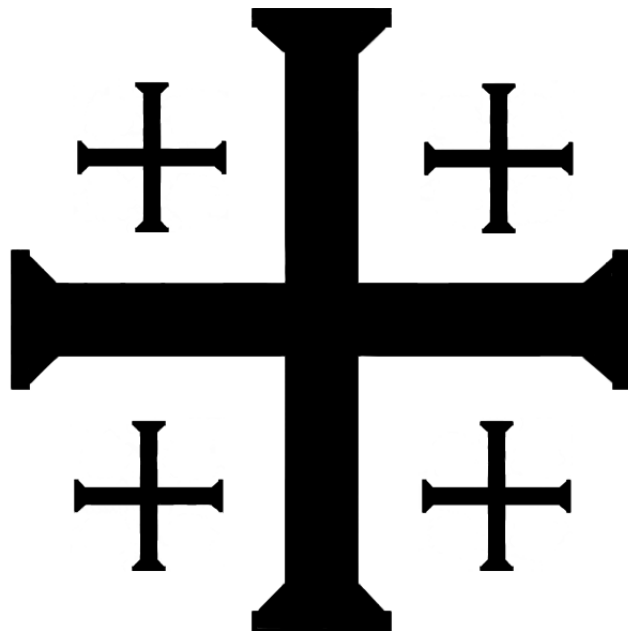


CHORAL EVENSONG

with the

DEDICATION & BLESSING OF A
KNEELING CUSHION IN HONOR OF GEORGE H. W. BUSH



The Eve of Saint Andrew the Apostle

Wednesday, November 29, 2023

5:00 PM

THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF SAINT PETER & SAINT PAUL
IN THE CITY & EPISCOPAL DIOCESE OF WASHINGTON



ABOUT THE GEORGE H. W. BUSH KNEELING CUSHION

The hand-stitched kneeling cushion honoring George H. W. Bush is added to the collection that pays tribute to nearly two hundred prominent Americans inside St. John's Chapel; this includes presidents, inventors, writers, social activists, and military heroes. Designed by Catherine Kapikian and hand-stitched by Nancy Hussey of Atlanta, Georgia, the cushion depicts scenes from the life of the country's forty-first president, including the Texas flag, his downed "Avenger" fighter plane during World War II, the family estate in Kennebunkport, Maine, and his global travels as a diplomat, CIA director, and envoy to China. Other imagery references Bush's devotion to volunteerism through the Points of Light Foundation, First Lady Barbara Bush, and a service dog, along with "CAVU," a nod to Bush's personal motto of "Ceiling and Visibility Unlimited," which harkened back to his service as a Navy pilot. A parachute is subtly incorporated in the presidential seal because the former president went skydiving to celebrate milestone birthdays, including his ninetieth, in 2014. The Cathedral also appears in the upper right corner; President Bush and First Lady Barbara Bush were on hand when the final stone was set on the Cathedral on September 29, 1990. "I would love to see the entire country discover this cathedral as America's resource, refuge, and reminder, somewhere to strengthen the nation's heart," he said.



*Flowers at the high altar are given to the glory of God
and in memory of and thanksgiving for George H. W. Bush and Barbara Pierce Bush.*

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ORGAN VOLUNTARY

Solemn Melody

Walford Davies (1869–1941)

The people stand as able as the procession enters.

HYMN • 410

Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven

Sung by all.

Lauda anima

1. Praise, my soul, the King of heaven; to his feet thy tribute bring;
2. Praise him for his grace and favor to his people in distress;
3. Fa - ther - like he tends and spares us; well our fee - ble frame he knows;
4. An - gels, help us to a - dore him; ye be - hold him face to face;

ran - somed, healed, re - stored, for - giv - en, ev - er - more his prais - es sing:
praise him still the same as ev - er, slow to chide, and swift to bless:
in his hand he gen - tly bears us, res - cues us from all our foes.
sun and moon, bow down be - fore him, dwell - ers all in time and space.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise the ev - er - last - ing King.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Glo - rious in his faith - ful - ness.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Wide - ly yet his mer - cy flows.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise with us the God of grace.

THE OPENING SENTENCES FROM HOLY SCRIPTURE

We give thanks to the Father, who has made us worthy to share in the inheritance of the saints in light. (*Colossians 1:12*)

You are no longer strangers and sojourners, but fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God.
(*Ephesians 2:19*)

PRECES

Richard Shephard (1949–2021)

Cantor O Lord, open thou our lips;
Choir And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.
Cantor O God, make speed to save us;
Choir O Lord, make haste to help us.
Cantor Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.
Choir As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.
Cantor Praise ye the Lord.
Choir The Lord's name be praised.

The candles are lighted as the choir sings.

PHOS HILARON

Gary Davison (b. 1961)

The Phos hilaron is an ancient lamp-lighting hymn. Meaning "gladdening light" in Greek, it is among the earliest-known hymn texts recorded outside of the Bible that is still in use today.

O gracious Light,
pure brightness of the everliving Father in heaven,
O Jesus Christ, holy and blessed!

Now as we come to the setting of the sun,
and our eyes behold the vesper light,
we sing thy praises, O God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

Thou art worthy at all times to be praised by happy voices,
O Son of God, O Giver of life,
and to be glorified through all the worlds.

The people are seated.

PSALM • 84

Sung by the choir.

chant: Hubert Parry (1848–1918)

How dear to me is your dwelling, O Lord of hosts!
My soul has a desire and longing for the courts of the Lord;
my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God.
The sparrow has found her a house
and the swallow a nest where she may lay her young;
by the side of your altars, O Lord of hosts,
my King and my God.
Happy are they who dwell in your house!
they will always be praising you.
Happy are the people whose strength is in you!
whose hearts are set on the pilgrims' way.
Those who go through the desolate valley will find it a place of springs,
for the early rains have covered it with pools of water.

They will climb from height to height,
and the God of gods will reveal himself in Zion.
Lord God of hosts, hear my prayer;
hearken, O God of Jacob.
Behold our defender, O God;
and look upon the face of your Anointed.
For one day in your courts is better than a thousand in my own room,
and to stand at the threshold of the house of my God
than to dwell in the tents of the wicked.
For the Lord God is both sun and shield;
he will give grace and glory;
No good thing will the Lord withhold
from those who walk with integrity.
O Lord of hosts,
happy are they who put their trust in you!
Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

PSALM • 150

Sung by the choir.

chant: George Talbot (1875–1918)

Hallelujah!
Praise God in his holy temple;
praise him in the firmament of his power.
Praise him for his mighty acts;
praise him for his excellent greatness.
Praise him with the blast of the ram's-horn;
praise him with lyre and harp.
Praise him with timbrel and dance;
praise him with strings and pipe.
Praise him with resounding cymbals;
praise him with loud-clanging cymbals.
Let everything that has breath
praise the Lord.
Hallelujah!

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

THE FIRST LESSON

Isaiah 52:7-10

How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of the messenger who announces peace, who brings good news, who announces salvation, who says to Zion, "Your God reigns." Listen! Your sentinels lift up their voices, together they sing for joy; for in plain sight they see the return of the Lord to Zion. Break forth together into singing, you ruins of Jerusalem; for the Lord has comforted his people, he has redeemed Jerusalem. The Lord has bared his holy arm before the eyes of all the nations; and all the ends of the earth shall see the salvation of our God.

Here ends the reading.

The people remain seated as the choir sings.

MAGNIFICATEvening Service in F major “*Collegium Regale*”; Charles Wood (1866–1926)

The Magnificat is the Blessed Virgin Mary’s song of thanksgiving in response to the fact that she will bear the Son of God, fulfilling the promises of the Old Testament.

My soul doth magnify the Lord,
and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Savior.
For he hath regarded
the lowliness of his handmaiden.
For behold from henceforth
all generations shall call me blessed.
For he that is mighty hath magnified me,
and holy is his Name.
And his mercy is on them that fear him
throughout all generations.
He hath showed strength with his arm;
he hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.
He hath put down the mighty from their seat,
and hath exalted the humble and meek.
He hath filled the hungry with good things,
and the rich he hath sent empty away.
He remembering his mercy hath holpen his servant Israel,
as he promised to our forefathers,
Abraham and his seed for ever.
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

(Luke 1:46-55)

THE SECOND LESSON

Matthew 9:35–10:4

Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom, and curing every disease and every sickness. When he saw the crowds, he had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. Then he said to his disciples, “The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest.” Then Jesus summoned his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to cure every disease and every sickness. These are the names of the twelve apostles: first, Simon, also known as Peter, and his brother Andrew; James son of Zebedee, and his brother John; Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax collector; James son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; Simon the Cananaean, and Judas Iscariot, the one who betrayed him.

Here ends the reading.

The people remain seated as the choir sings.

NUNC DIMITTIS

Evening Service in F major “*Collegium Regale*”; C. Wood

The Nunc dimittis is the song of the aged Simeon, who had been promised by the Holy Spirit that he would not die until he had seen the Messiah. Upon taking the infant Jesus into his arms, Simeon utters these words of thanksgiving.

Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace,
according to thy word,
For mine eyes have seen thy salvation,
which thou hast prepared before the face of all people,
To be a light to lighten the Gentiles,
and to be the glory of thy people Israel.
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

(Luke 2:29-32)

The people stand as able.

THE APOSTLES' CREED

Said by all, facing the high altar.

The Apostles' Creed grew from statements of belief made by early Christians at their baptism. The Church continues to confess this same faith in the Holy Trinity: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

THE LESSER LITANY

R. Shephard

Cantor The Lord be with you.
Choir And with thy spirit.
Cantor Let us pray.
Choir Lord, have mercy upon us.
Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Said by all.

Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.

THE SUFFRAGES

R. Shephard

Cantor O Lord, show thy mercy upon us;
Choir And grant us thy salvation.
Cantor O Lord, save the State;
Choir And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.
Cantor Endue thy ministers with righteousness;
Choir And make thy chosen people joyful.
Cantor O Lord, save thy people;
Choir And bless thine inheritance.
Cantor Give peace in our time, O Lord;
Choir Because there is none other that fighteth for us, but only thou, O God.
Cantor O God, make clean our hearts within us;
Choir And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

THE COLLECTS

The cantor sings a series of prayers, appointed for the day, each followed by a choral Amen.

Almighty God, who didst give such grace to thine apostle Andrew that he readily obeyed the call of thy Son Jesus Christ, and brought his brother with him: Give unto us, who are called by thy Word, grace to follow him without delay, and to bring those near to us into his gracious presence; who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

O God, who art the life of all who live, the light of the faithful, the strength of those who labor, and the repose of the dead: We thank thee for the timely blessings of the day, and humbly beseech thy merciful protection all the night. Bring us, we pray thee, in safety to the morning hours; through him who died for us and rose again, thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.

O God, who dost manifest in thy servants the signs of thy presence: Send forth upon us the Spirit of love, that in companionship with one another thine abounding grace may increase among us; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The collects conclude with:

Cantor Let us bless the Lord.
Choir Thanks be to God.

The people are seated at the invitation of the homilist.

THE DEDICATION & BLESSING OF A NEEDLEPOINT KNEELING CUSHION

Presenters Dean Hollerith, we present to you this needlepoint kneeling cushion, dedicated in honor of George H. W. Bush, to be set apart for the service of Christ's holy Church.

Provost All things come from you, O Lord;

People **And from your own gifts do we give to you.**

Provost Prosper the work of our hands;

People **Prosper our handiwork.**

Provost Show your servants your works;

People **And your splendor to their children.**

Dean Let us pray.

Almighty God, we thank you that you have put it into the hearts of your people to make offerings for your service, and have been pleased to accept their gifts. Be with us now and bless us as we set apart this cushion to your praise and glory and in honor of George H. W. Bush; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People **Amen.**

Provost Solomon beautified the sanctuary, and multiplied the vessels of the temple.

Oh, the majesty and magnificence of God's presence!

People **Oh, the power and the splendor of his sanctuary!**

Dean Let us pray.

O God, whose blessed Son has sanctified and transfigured the use of material things: Receive this cushion which we offer, and grant that it may proclaim your love, benefit your Church, and minister grace and joy to those who use it; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People **Amen.**

Provost Almighty God, we remember before you today your faithful servant George H. W. Bush and we pray that, having opened to him the gates of larger life, you will receive him more and more into your joyful service, that, with all who have faithfully served you in the past, he may share in the eternal victory of Jesus Christ our Lord.

People **Amen.**

OFFERING

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ANTHEM

Let All the World in Every Corner Sing

Sung by the choir.

Kenneth Leighton (1929–1988)

Cho. Let all the world in ev'ry corner sing,
My God and King.

Vers. The heav'ns are not too high,
His praise my thither fly:
The earth is not too low,
His praises there may grow.

Cho. Let all the world in ev'ry corner sing,
My God and King.

Vers. The church with psalms must shout,
No door can keep them out:
But above all, the heart
Must bear the longest part.

Cho. Let all the world in ev'ry corner sing,
My God and King.

(George Herbert, 1593–1633)

The people stand as able.

A PRAYER FOR THE NATION

Almighty God, you have given us this good land as our heritage. Make us always remember your generosity and constantly do your will. Bless our land with honest industry, sound learning, and an honorable way of life. Save us from violence, discord, and confusion; from pride and arrogance, and from every evil way. Make us who come from many nations with many different languages a united people. Defend our liberties and give those whom we have entrusted with the authority of government the spirit of wisdom, that there might be justice and peace in our land. When times are prosperous, let our hearts be thankful; and, in troubled times, do not let our trust in you fail. We ask all this through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE GENERAL THANKSGIVING

Said by all.

Almighty God, Father of all mercies,
we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks
for all your goodness and loving-kindness
to us and to all whom you have made.
We bless you for our creation, preservation,
and all the blessings of this life;
but above all for your immeasurable love
in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ;
for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory.
And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies,
that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise,
not only with our lips, but in our lives,
by giving up our selves to your service,
and by walking before you
in holiness and righteousness all our days;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,
be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.

THE BLESSING

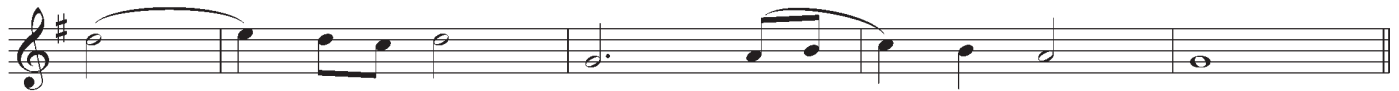
The dean blesses the people, and the people respond, Amen.



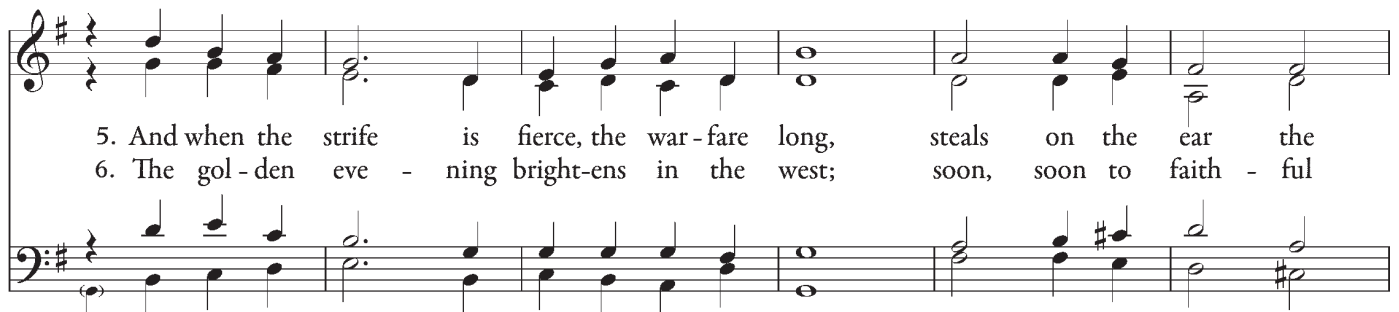
1. For all the saints, who from their la - bors rest, who thee — by faith be -
 2. Thou wast their rock, their for - tress, and their might: — thou, Lord, their Cap - tain
 3. O may thy sol - diers, faith - ful, true, and bold, — fight as the saints who
 4. O blest com - mun - ion, fel - low - ship di - vine! — We feeb - ly strug - gle,



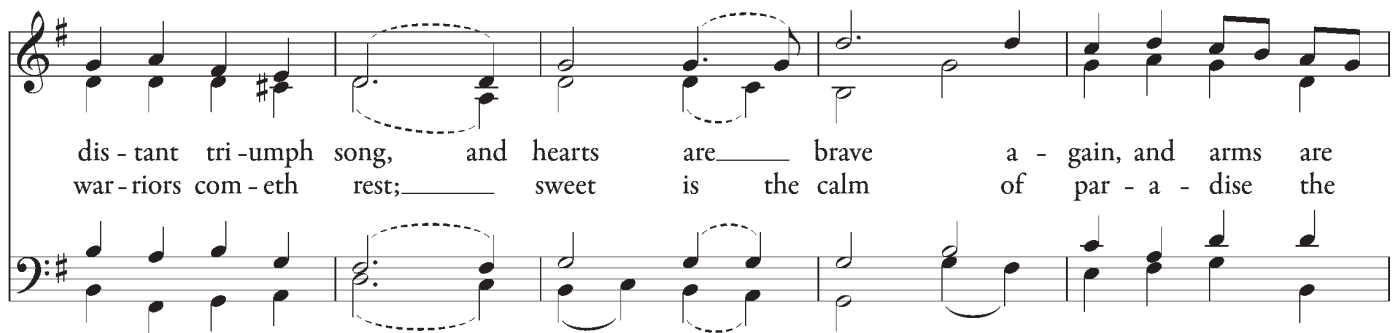
fore the world con - fessed, thy Name, O — Je - sus, be for ev - er blessed.
 in the well fought fight; — thou, in the dark - ness drear, the one true Light.
 nobly fought of old, and win, with — them, the vic - tor's crown of gold.
 they in glo - ry shine; yet all are — one in thee, for all are thine.



Al - - le - lu - ia, al - - le - lu - ia!



5. And when the strife is fierce, the war - fare long, steals on the ear the
 6. The gol - den eve - ning bright - ens in the west; soon, soon to faith - ful



dis - tant tri - umph song, and hearts are — brave a - gain, and arms are
 war - riors com - eth rest; — sweet is the calm of par - a - dise the



strong. blest. Al - - le - lu - ia, al - - le - lu - ia!



7. But lo! there breaks a yet more glo-rious day; the saints tri-umph - ant
8. From earth's wide bounds, from o - cean's far - thest coast, throughgates of pearl streams



rise in bright ar - ray; the King of glo - ry pass - es on his way.
in the count-less host, sing - ing to Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost,

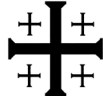


Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

Sing, Sing a New Song to the Lord God

Brenda Portman (b. 1980)



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GEORGE H. W. BUSH (1924–2018)

Born on June 12, 1924, in Milton, Massachusetts, George Herbert Walker Bush became a decorated naval pilot who flew torpedo bombers during World War II. He was shot down on September 2, 1944, while completing a mission over Chi Chi Jima Island. At the time of his honorable discharge in September 1945, Lieutenant Junior Grade Bush had logged 1,228 hours of flight time, 126 carrier landings, and 58 combat missions. He was awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross, and the U.S. Navy Air Medal with two gold stars.

Mr. Bush married Barbara Pierce on January 6, 1945, and graduated Phi Beta Kappa from Yale University in 1948 with a degree in economics. After graduation, he moved to Texas with his wife and eldest son George W. to begin making his way in the oil business.

Mr. Bush's career in politics and public service began in February 1963, when he was elected chairman of the Harris County (Texas) Republican Party. He was elected in 1966 to the U.S. House of Representatives from Texas' Seventh District, serving two terms. Following his Congressional service, Mr. Bush held a number of senior-level positions: Ambassador to the United Nations (1971–1973); Chairman of the Republican National Committee (1973–1974); Chief of the U.S. Liaison Office in China (1974–1976); and Director of Central Intelligence (1976–1977).

In 1980, Bush campaigned for and lost the Republican nomination for president, but was chosen as a running mate by Ronald Reagan and served as the forty-third vice president of the United States from 1981 to 1989. In that position, Vice President Bush managed federal deregulation and anti-drug efforts and headed the Reagan administration's effort to combat terrorism. In foreign policy, President Reagan dispatched Vice President Bush at a pivotal and contentious time to help manage negotiations with key NATO allies leading to the deployment of Pershing II missiles in West Germany—a critical turning point in the Cold War.



Sworn in as the Forty-first President of the United States on January 20, 1989, President Bush helped usher in a new and more hopeful geopolitical era marked by the spread of freedom and free markets. During his historic term in office, the West prevailed in the Cold War, the Soviet Union gave way to a democratic Russia, the Berlin Wall “fell” and Germany was unified within NATO, and President Bush signed two treaties to drastically reduce the threat of nuclear war. After Iraq's unprovoked invasion of Kuwait in 1990, President Bush forged an unprecedented coalition of disparate nations to uphold international law. His deft handling of this international crisis enabled him to convene the Madrid Peace Conference later in 1991. Throughout his presidency, George Bush worked closely with his international counterparts, including Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev, in ways that advanced America's interests in peace and economic opportunity. As president, Mr. Bush also launched his Points of Light initiative to promote volunteerism and community service across America. During his term in office, he named 1,020 Daily Points of Light hailing from all 50 states.

George and Barbara Bush had five children, seventeen grandchildren, and seven great-grandchildren, and resided in Houston, Texas, and Kennebunkport, Maine.

President Bush died in Houston, Texas, on November 30, 2018. His state funeral was held at the Cathedral on December 5, 2018.

Source: George H. W. Bush Presidential Library and Museum

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