

THE ORDINATIONS TO THE
SACRED ORDERS OF DEACONS
AND PRIESTS



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



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The people's responses are in bold.

PRELUDE

Trust in God

Chris Brown (b. 1981), Steven Furtick (b. 1980),
Brandon Lake (b. 1990), Mitch Wong

THE ENTRANCE RITE

INTROIT

Know That God Loves You, Op. 924

Carson Cooman (b. 1982)

Refrain Know that God loves you.

God's command is this: "Love one another as I have loved you."

Refrain

For neither death nor life, nor present nor future, shall separate us from the love of God.

Refrain

(Adapted from Psalm 37 and Romans 8)

The people stand as able at the introduction to the hymn.

HYMNS AT THE PROCESSION

Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven • 410

Sung by all.

Lauda anima



1. Praise, my soul, the King of hea - ven; to his feet thy tri - bute bring;
 2. Praise him for his grace and fa - vor to his peo - ple in dis - tress;
 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
 praise him still the same as ev - er, slow to chide, and swift to
 in his hand he gen - tly bears us, res - cues us from all our
 sun and moon, bow down be - fore him, dwell - ers all in time and



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

The Church's One Foundation • 525

Sung by all.

Aurelia



1. The Chur - ch's one foun - da - tion is Je - sus Christ her Lord;
 2. E - lect from ev - ery na - tion, yet one o'er all the earth,
 3. Though with a scorn - ful won - der men see her sore op - pressed,
 4. Mid toil and tri - bu - la - tion, and tu - mult of her war
 5. Yet she on earth hath un - ion with God, the Three in One,



1. she is his new cre - a - tion by wa - ter and the word:
 2. her char - ter of sal - va - tion, one Lord, one faith, one birth;
 3. by schi - sms rent a - sun - der, by her - e - sies dis - tressed;
 4. she waits the con - sum - ma - tion of peace for ev - er - more;
 5. and mys - tic sweet com - mun - ion with those whose rest is won.



1. from heaven he came and sought her to be his ho - ly bride;
 2. one ho - ly Name she bless - es, par - takes one ho - ly food,
 3. yet saints their watch are keep - ing, their cry goes up, "How long?"
 4. till with the vi - sion glo - rious her long - ing eyes are blessed,
 5. O hap - py ones and ho - ly! Lord, give us grace that we



1. with his own blood he bought her, and for her life he died.
 2. and to one hope she press - es, with ev - ery grace en - dued.
 3. and soon the night of weep - ing shall be the morn of song.
 4. and the great Church vic - to - rious shall be the Church at rest.
 5. like them, the meek and low - ly, on high may dwell with thee.

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

Bishop Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.
People **Glory to God for ever and ever.**

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

Bishop Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord.
People **Amen.**

The people are seated.

THE PRESENTATION OF THE ORDINANDS

Presenters Mariann, Bishop in the Church of God, on behalf of the clergy and people of the Diocese of Washington, we present to you Eric Bailey, Tiffany Ann Hamilton Clark, Tracey Hancock Forfa, and Mark Randall James to be ordained as deacons in Christ's holy catholic Church.

Presenters Mariann, Bishop in the Church of God, on behalf of the clergy and people of the Diocese of Washington, we present to you Antonio Jermaine Baxter to be ordained a priest in Christ's holy catholic Church.

Bishop Have they been selected in accordance with the canons of this Church? And do you believe their manner of life to be suitable to the exercise of this ministry?

Presenters We certify to you that they have satisfied the requirements of the canons, and we believe them to be qualified for these orders.

The bishop addresses the ordinands.

Bishop Will you be loyal to the doctrine, discipline, and worship of Christ as this Church has received them? And will you, in accordance with the canons of this Church, obey your bishop and other ministers who may have authority over you and your work?

Ordinands I am willing and ready to do so; and I solemnly declare that I do believe the Holy Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments to be the Word of God and to contain all things necessary to salvation; and I do solemnly engage to conform to the doctrine, discipline, and worship of The Episcopal Church.

The ordinands sign the Book of Declaration in the sight of all present.

The people stand as able.

Bishop Dear friends in Christ, you know the importance of this ministry, and the weight of your responsibility in presenting Eric Bailey, Tiffany Ann Hamilton Clark, Tracey Hancock Forfa, and Mark Randall James for ordination to the sacred order of deacons and in presenting Antonio Jermaine Baxter for ordination to the sacred priesthood. Therefore if any of you know any impediment or crime because of which we should not proceed, come forward now, and make it known.

Bishop Is it your will that Eric, Tiffany, Tracey, and Mark be ordained as deacons?

People **It is.**

Bishop Is it your will that Antonio be ordained as a priest?

People **It is.**

Bishop Will you uphold them in this ministry?

People **We will.**

Bishop In peace let us pray to the Lord.

THE LITANY FOR ORDINATIONS

Sung responsively.

Litanist *People*

God the Fa- ther, Have mer - cy on us.

Litanist *People*

God the Son, Have mer - cy on us.

Litanist *People*

God the Holy Spi - rit, Have mer - cy on us.

Litanist *People*

Holy Trini - ty, one God, Have mer - cy on us.

Litanist *People*

We pray to you, Lord Christ. Lord, hear our prayer.

Litanist

For the holy Church of God, that it may be filled
with truth and love, and be found without fault
at the Day of your Coming,

Litanist *People*

we pray to you, O Lord. Lord, hear our prayer.

Litanist For all members of your Church in their vocation and ministry, that they may serve you in a true and godly life, we pray to you, O Lord.
People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Litanist For Sean, our Presiding Bishop, for Mariann our Bishop, and for all bishops, priests, and deacons, that they may be filled with your love, may hunger for truth, and may thirst after righteousness, we pray to you, O Lord.
People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Litanist For Eric, Tiffany, Tracey, and Mark, chosen deacons in your Church, we pray to you, O Lord.
People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Litanist For Antonio, chosen priest in your Church, we pray to you, O Lord.
People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Litanist That they may faithfully fulfill the duties of this ministry, build up your Church, and glorify your Name, we pray to you, O Lord.
People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Litanist That by the indwelling of the Holy Spirit they may be sustained and encouraged to persevere to the end, we pray to you, O Lord.
People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Litanist For their families and the members of their households, that they may be adorned with all Christian virtues, we pray to you, O Lord.
People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Litanist For all who fear God and believe in you, Lord Christ, that our divisions may cease and that all may be one as you and the Father are one, we pray to you, O Lord.
People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Litanist For the mission of the Church, that in faithful witness it may preach the Gospel to the ends of the earth, we pray to you, O Lord.
People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Litanist For those who do not yet believe, and for those who have lost their faith, that they may receive the light of the Gospel, we pray to you, O Lord.
People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Litanist For the peace of the world, that a spirit of respect and forbearance may grow among nations and peoples, we pray to you, O Lord.
People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Litanist For those in positions of public trust, that they may serve justice and promote the dignity and freedom of every person, we pray to you, O Lord.
People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Litanist For a blessing upon all human labor, and for the right use of the riches of creation, that the world may be freed from poverty, famine, and disaster, we pray to you, O Lord.
People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Litanist For the poor, the persecuted, the sick, and all who suffer; for refugees, prisoners, and all who are in danger; that they may be relieved and protected, we pray to you, O Lord.
People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Litanist For ourselves; for the forgiveness of our sins, and for the grace of the Holy Spirit to amend our lives, we pray to you, O Lord.
People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Litanist For all who have died in the communion of your Church, and those whose faith is known to you alone, that, with all the saints, they may have rest in that place where there is no pain or grief, but life eternal, we pray to you, O Lord.
People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Litanist Rejoicing in the fellowship of the ever-blessed Virgin Mary, blessed Peter and Paul, and all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another,

Litanist



... and all our life to Christ our God.

People



To you, O Lord our God.

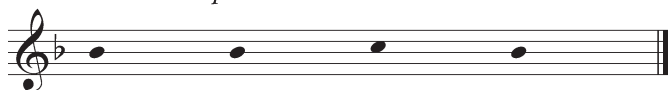
Litanist

People



Lord, have mer - cy, Christ, have mer - cy.

Litanist and People



Lord, have mer - cy.

THE COLLECT FOR ORDINATION

Bishop The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Bishop Let us pray.

O God of unchangeable power and eternal light: Look favorably on your whole Church, that wonderful and sacred mystery; by the effectual working of your providence, carry out in tranquility the plan of salvation; let the whole world see and know that things which were cast down are being raised up, and things which had grown old are being made new, and that all things are being brought to their perfection by him through whom all things were made, your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

People **Amen.**

The people are seated.

THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

THE FIRST LESSON

Isaiah 6:1-8

In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple. Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. And one called to another and said: "Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory." The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke. And I said: "Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts!" Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. The seraph touched my mouth with it and said: "Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out." Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" And I said, "Here am I; send me!"

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

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!

THE SECOND LESSON

Ephesians 4:7, 11-16

Each of us was given grace according to the measure of Christ's gift. The gifts he gave were that some would be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers, to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, until all of us come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to maturity, to the measure of the full stature of Christ. We must no longer be children, tossed to and fro and blown about by every wind of doctrine, by people's trickery, by their craftiness in deceitful scheming. But speaking the truth in love, we must grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, from whom the whole body, joined and knit together by every ligament with which it is equipped, as each part is working properly, promotes the body's growth in building itself up in love.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

The people stand as able.

HYMN AT THE SEQUENCE

Lead Me, Guide Me

Sung by all.

Doris M. Akers (1923–1995)

Lead me, guide me, a - long the way, for if you lead me, I can-not stray.

Lord, let me walk each day with thee. Lead me, O Lord, lead me._____

1. I am weak and I need thy strength and power to help me o - ver my weak - est hour;
 2. Help me tread in the paths of right - eous - ness, be my aid when Sa - tan and sin op - press;
 3. I am lost if you take your hand from me, I am blind with - out thy light to see;

help me through the dark-ness thy face to see, Lead me, oh Lord, lead me._____

I am put - ting all my trust in thee. Lead me, oh Lord, lead me._____

Lord, just al - ways let me thy ser - vant be. Lead me, oh Lord, lead me._____

THE HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 20:20-28

Diácona Santo evangelio de nuestro Señor Jesucristo según Mateo.

Pueblo Gloria a ti, Cristo Señor.

La madre de los hijos de Zebedeo, junto con sus hijos, se acercó a Jesús y se arrodilló delante de él para pedirle un favor. Jesús le preguntó: «¿Qué quieres?» Ella le dijo: «Manda que en tu reino uno de mis hijos se siente a tu derecha y el otro a tu izquierda.» Jesús contestó: «Ustedes no saben lo que piden. ¿Pueden beber el trago amargo que voy a beber yo?» Ellos dijeron: «Podemos.» Jesús les respondió: «Ustedes beberán este trago amargo, pero el sentarse a mi derecha o a mi izquierda no me corresponde a mí darlo, sino que se les dará a aquellos para quienes mi Padre lo ha preparado.» Cuando los otros diez discípulos oyeron esto, se enojaron con los dos hermanos. Pero Jesús los llamó, y les dijo: «Como ustedes saben, entre los paganos los jefes gobiernan con tiranía a sus súbditos, y los grandes hacen sentir su autoridad sobre ellos. Pero entre ustedes no debe ser así. Al contrario, el que entre ustedes quiera ser grande, deberá servir a los demás; y el que entre ustedes quiera ser el primero, deberá ser su esclavo. Porque, del mismo modo, el Hijo del hombre no vino para que le sirvan, sino para servir y para dar su vida en rescate por una multitud.»

The mother of the sons of Zebedee came to Jesus with her sons, and kneeling before him, she asked a favor of him. And he said to her, “What do you want?” She said to him, “Declare that these two sons of mine will sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your kingdom.” But Jesus answered, “You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I am about to drink?” They said to him, “We are able.” He said to them, “You will indeed drink my cup, but to sit at my right hand and at my left, this is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared by my Father.” When the ten heard it, they were angry with the two brothers. But Jesus called them to him and said, “You know that the rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great ones are tyrants over them. It will not be so among you; but whoever wishes to be great among you must be your servant, and whoever wishes to be first among you must be your slave; just as the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many.”

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The people are seated at the invitation of the preacher.

THE SERMON

The Reverend Dr. Katherine Sonderegger

The people stand as able.

THE NICENE CREED

We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation,
he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The people are seated.

The ordinands move to stand before the bishop.

THE EXAMINATION

THE EXAMINATION OF ORDINANDS TO THE DIACONATE

The bishop addresses the ordinands.

My brothers and sisters, every Christian is called to follow Jesus Christ, serving God the Father, through the power of the Holy Spirit. God now calls you to a special ministry of servanthood directly under your bishop. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are to serve all people, particularly the poor, the weak, the sick, and the lonely.

As a deacon in the Church, you are to study the Holy Scriptures, to seek nourishment from them, and to model your life upon them. You are to make Christ and his redemptive love known, by your word and example, to those among whom you live, and work, and worship. You are to interpret to the Church the needs, concerns, and hopes of the world. You are to assist the bishop and priests in public worship and in the ministration of God's Word and Sacraments, and you are to carry out other duties assigned to you from time to time. At all times, your life and teaching are to show Christ's people that in serving the helpless they are serving Christ himself.

Bishop My brothers and sisters, do you believe that you are truly called by God and his Church to the life and work of a deacon?

Ordinands I believe I am so called.

Bishop Do you now in the presence of the Church commit yourself to this trust and responsibility?

Ordinands I do.

Bishop Will you be guided by the pastoral direction and leadership of your bishop?

Ordinands I will.

Bishop Will you be faithful in prayer, and in the reading and study of the Holy Scriptures?

Ordinands I will.

Bishop Will you look for Christ in all others, being ready to help and serve those in need?

Ordinands I will.

Bishop Will you do your best to pattern your life in accordance with the teachings of Christ, so that you may be a wholesome example to all people?

Ordinands I will.

Bishop Will you in all things seek not your glory but the glory of the Lord Christ?

Ordinands I will.

Bishop May the Lord by his grace uphold you in the service he lays upon you.

Ordinands Amen.

THE EXAMINATION OF ORDINAND TO THE PRIESTHOOD

The bishop addresses the ordinand.

My brother, the Church is the family of God, the body of Christ, and the temple of the Holy Spirit. All baptized people are called to make Christ known as Savior and Lord, and to share in the renewing of his world. Now you are called to work as pastor, priest, and teacher, together with your bishop and fellow presbyters, and to take your share in the councils of the Church.

As a priest, it will be your task to proclaim by word and deed the Gospel of Jesus Christ, and to fashion your life in accordance with its precepts. You are to love and serve the people among whom you work, caring alike for young and old, strong and weak, rich and poor. You are to preach, to declare God's forgiveness to penitent sinners, to pronounce God's blessing, to share in the administration of Holy Baptism and in the celebration of the mysteries of Christ's Body and Blood, and to perform the other ministrations entrusted to you.

In all that you do, you are to nourish Christ's people from the riches of his grace, and strengthen them to glorify God in this life and in the life to come.

Bishop My brother, do you believe that you are truly called by God and his Church to this priesthood?

Ordinand I believe I am so called.

Bishop Do you now in the presence of the Church commit yourself to this trust and responsibility?

Ordinand I do.

Bishop Will you respect and be guided by the pastoral direction and leadership of your bishop?

Ordinand I will.

Bishop Will you be diligent in the reading and study of the Holy Scriptures, and in seeking the knowledge of such things as may make you a stronger and more able minister of Christ?

Ordinand I will.

Bishop Will you endeavor so to minister the Word of God and the sacraments of the New Covenant, that the reconciling love of Christ may be known and received?

Ordinand I will.

Bishop Will you undertake to be a faithful pastor to all whom you are called to serve, laboring together with them and with your fellow ministers to build up the family of God?

Ordinand I will.

Bishop Will you do your best to pattern your life in accordance with the teachings of Christ, so that you may be a wholesome example to all people?

Ordinand I will.

Bishop Will you persevere in prayer, both in public and in private, asking God's grace, both for yourself and for others, offering all your labors to God, through the mediation of Jesus Christ, and in the sanctification of the Holy Spirit?

Ordinand I will.

Bishop May the Lord who has given you the will to do these things give you the grace and power to perform them.

Ordinand Amen.

THE CONSECRATION OF THE DEACONS AND PRIEST

The ordinands kneel before the bishop.

The people stand as able.

HYMN OF CONSECRATION • 504

Come, Holy Ghost, Our Souls Inspire

Sung by all.

Veni Creator Spiritus

1. Come, Ho - ly Ghost, our souls in - spire, and light - en with ce - les - tial fire.
3. Thy bless - ed unc - tion from a - bove is com - fort, life, and fire of love.
5. A - noint and cheer our soil - ed face with the a - bun - dance of thy grace.

2. Thou the a - noint - ing Spi - rit art, who dost thy sev - en - fold gifts im - part.
4. En - a - ble with per - pet - ual light the dull - ness of our blind - ed sight.
6. Keep far our foes, give peace at home: where thou art guide, no ill can come.

7. Teach us to know the Fa - ther, Son, and thee, of both, to be but One.

8. that through the a - ges all a - long, this may be our end - less song:

9. praise to thy e - ter - nal mer - it, Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Spi - rit.

A period of silent prayer follows, the people still standing as able.

The bishop then says this Prayer of Consecration for Deacons,

Bishop O God, most merciful Father, we praise you for sending your Son Jesus Christ, who took on himself the form of a servant, and humbled himself, becoming obedient even to death on the cross. We praise you that you have highly exalted him, and made him Lord of all; and that, through him, we know that whoever would be great must be servant of all. We praise you for the many ministries in your Church, and for calling these your servants to the order of deacons.

Here the bishop lays hands upon the heads of the ordinands.

At the same time the bishop prays,

Bishop Therefore, Father, through Jesus Christ your Son, give your Holy Spirit to Eric/Tiffany/Tracey/Mark; fill him/her with grace and power, and make him/her a deacon in your Church.

The bishop then continues,

Bishop Make them, O Lord, modest and humble, strong and constant, to observe the discipline of Christ. Let their lives and teaching so reflect your commandments, that through them many may come to know you and love you. As your Son came not to be served but to serve, may these deacons share in Christ's service, and come to the unending glory of him who, with you and the Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever.

The people in a loud voice respond,

People **Amen.**

The bishop then says this Prayer of Consecration for Priests,

Bishop God and Father of all, we praise you for your infinite love in calling us to be a holy people in the kingdom of your Son Jesus our Lord, who is the image of your eternal and invisible glory, the firstborn among many brethren, and the head of the Church. We thank you that by his death he has overcome death, and, having ascended into heaven, has poured his gifts abundantly upon your people, making some apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers, to equip the saints for the work of ministry and the building up of his body.

Here the bishop lays hands upon the heads of the ordinand.

At the same time the bishop prays,

Bishop Therefore, Father, through Jesus Christ your Son, give your Holy Spirit to Antonio; fill him with grace and power, and make him a priest in your Church.

The bishop then continues,

Bishop May he exalt you, O Lord, in the midst of your people; offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to you; boldly proclaim the gospel of salvation; and rightly administer the sacraments of the New Covenant. Make him a faithful pastor, a patient teacher, and a wise councilor. Grant that in all things he may serve without reproach, so that your people may be strengthened and your Name glorified in all the world. All this we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever.

The people in a loud voice respond,

People **Amen.**

THE VESTING & PRESENTATION OF BIBLES

The new deacons and priest are now vested according to their order.

The bishop then presents Bibles to the newly-ordained deacons and priest, saying,

Bishop Receive this Bible as a sign of your authority to proclaim God's Word and to assist in the ministration of God's holy Sacraments.

Bishop Receive this Bible as a sign of the authority given you to preach the Word of God and to administer the holy Sacraments. Do not forget the trust committed to you as a priest of the Church of God.

The bishop and people greet the new deacons and priest.

THE PEACE

New priest The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

All greet one another with a sign of God's peace and are then seated.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

THE OFFERTORY

An offering is received to support the discretionary fund of the new priest and deacons. This money is used to assist with justice needs in their ministry settings. If you would like to contribute online, please text to 50155 with keyword edowo113ordination in the message.

The newly ordained deacons prepare the altar for Holy Communion.

ANTHEM AT THE OFFERTORY

The Best Is Yet to Come

Sung by the ensemble.

Donald Lawrence (b. 1961)

Hold on my brother don't give up.
Hold on my sister just look up.
There is a master plan in store for you,
If you just make it through.
God's gonna really blow your mind,
He's gonna make it worth your time.
For all of the troubles you been through,
The blessings double just for you.

Refrain The best is yet to come.
The best, the best is yet to come.
Today is the first day of the best days of your life.

Refrain
You aint seen nothing,
You aint seen nothing yet.

The people stand as able.

The new deacons and priest stand with the bishop as she presides at the Holy Table.

PRESENTATION HYMN • 707

Take My Life, and Let It Be

Sung by all.

Hollingside

1. Take my life and let it be con - se - crat - ed, Lord, to thee;
2. Take my voice, and let me sing al - ways, on - ly, for my King;

take my mo - ments and my days, let them flow in cease - less praise.
take my in - tel - lect, and use ev - ery power as thou shalt choose.

Take my hands, and let them move at the im - pulse of thy love;
Take my will, and make it thine; it shall be no long - er mine.

take my heart, it is thine own; it shall be thy roy - al throne.
Take my - self, and I will be ev - er, on - ly, all for thee.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Bishop The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**

Bishop Lift up your hearts.
People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Bishop Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

Bishop It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

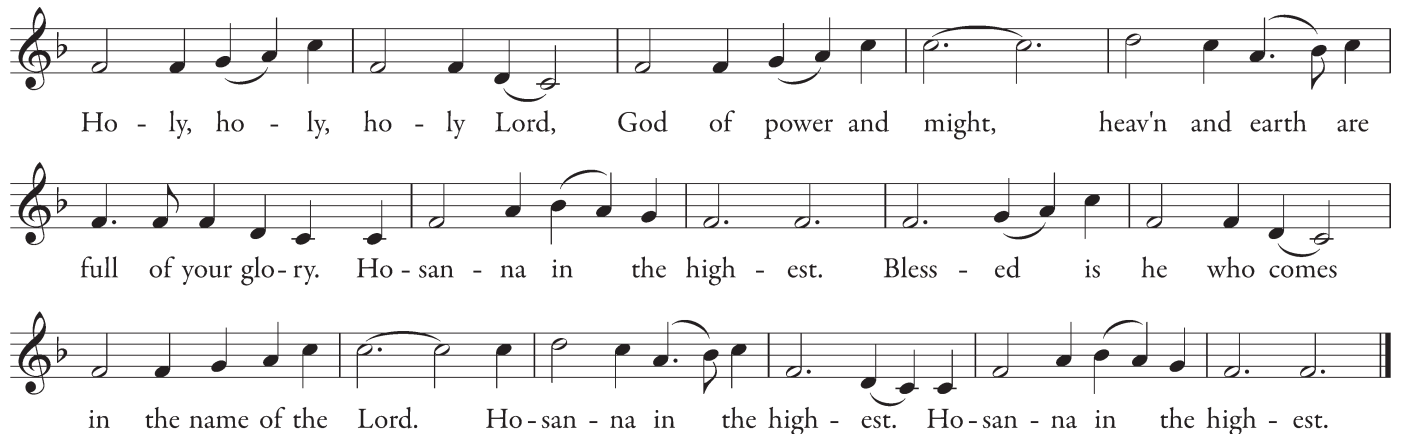
Through the great shepherd of your flock, Jesus Christ our Lord; who after his resurrection sent forth his apostles to preach the Gospel and to teach all nations; and promised to be with them always, even to the end of the ages.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS

Sung by all.

Land of Rest



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might, heav'n and earth are
full of your glo-ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes
in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Bishop We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

All Therefore, according to his command, O Father,
We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;

Bishop And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with our patrons the Apostles Peter and Paul, and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

Bishop By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.

All AMEN.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

Notre Père..., Padre nuestro..., Vater unser...,

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 BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The bishop breaks the bread in silence.

THE FRACTION ANTHEM

Taste and See

Sung by all.

James E. Moore, Jr. (1951–2022)

Taste and see. Taste and see the good - ness of the Lord. O

taste and see. Taste and see the good - ness of the Lord, of the Lord.

THE INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION

The people are seated.

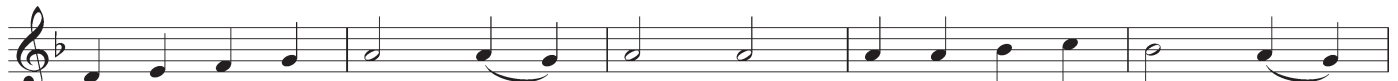
All who seek God and a deeper life in Christ are welcome to receive Holy Communion. Please move at the direction of the ushers. You may receive the bread in open and outstretched hands and respond to receiving Communion by saying "Amen." Gluten-free wafers are available; please make your need known to the minister. Receiving the bread only is full participation in the Eucharist. For those who wish to consume wine, there are separate chalices for drinking and intincting (dipping the bread). You may either drink from a silver chalice or intinct (dip the bread) into a glass chalice. If you prefer to receive a blessing instead of receiving Communion, you may indicate your choice by crossing your hands across your chest. Those who wish to have Holy Communion brought to them at their seat should notify an usher.

HYMN AT THE COMMUNION • 324

Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence

Sung by all.

Picardy



1. Let all mor - tal flesh keep si - lence, and with fear and trem - bling
 2. King of kings, yet born of Ma - ry, as of old on earth he
 3. Rank on rank the host of hea - ven spreads its van-guard on the
 4. At his feet the six - winged ser - aph; cher - u - bim with sleep - less



stand; pon - der noth - ing earth - ly - mind - ed, for with bless - ing
 stood, Lord of lords in hu - man ves - ture, in the Bo - dy
 way, as the Light of Light de - scend - eth from the realms of
 eye, veil their fa - ces to the Pres - ence, as with cease - less



in his hand Christ our God to earth de -
 and the Blood he will give to all the
 end - less day, that the powers of hell may
 voice they cry, "Al - le - lu - ia, al - le -



scend - - eth, our full hom - age to de - mand.
 faith - - ful his own self for heaven - ly food.
 va - - nish as the dark - ness clears a - way.
 lu - - ia! Al - le - lu - ia, Lord Most High!"

THE POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

Bishop

Let us pray.

All

Almighty Father, we thank you for feeding us with the holy food of the Body and Blood of your Son, and for uniting us through him in the fellowship of your Holy Spirit. We thank you for raising up among us faithful servants for the ministry of your Word and Sacraments. We pray that Eric, Tiffany, Tracey, Mark, and Antonio may be to us an effective example in word and action, in love and patience, and in holiness of life. Grant that we, with them, may serve you now, and always rejoice in your glory; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

THE BLESSING

The new priest blesses the people, and the people respond, Amen.

HYMN AT THE CLOSING

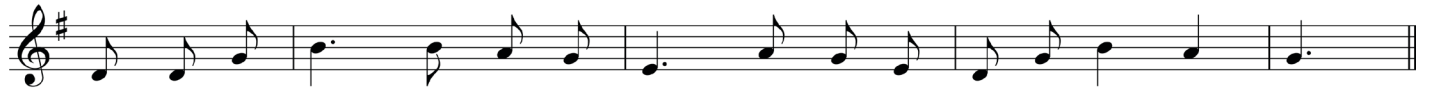
Higher Ground

Sung by all.

Charles H. Gabriel (1856–1932)



1. I'm press - ing on the up - ward way, new heights I'm gain - ing ev - ery day;
2. My heart has no de - sire to stay where doubts a - rise and fears dis - may;
3. I want to live a - bove the world, though sa - tan's darts at me are hurled;
4. I want to scale the ut - most height, and catch a gleam of glo - ry bright;



still pray - ing as I on - ward bound, "Lord, plant my feet on high - er ground."
though some may dwell where these a - bound, my prayer, my aim is high - er ground.
For faith has caught a joy - ful sound, the song of saints on high - er ground.
but still I'll pray till heaven I've found, "Lord, lead me on to high - er ground."



Lord, lift me up, and let me stand by faith, on heav - en's ta - ble - land;



a high - er plane than I have found, Lord, plant my feet on high - er ground.

THE DISMISSAL

The new deacons dismiss the people.

Deacons Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Paeon

Kenneth Leighton (1929–1988)

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