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# ordination of deacons

John Khot Atem Kathryn Anne Christian Stephanie Ann Coté Jessica Ann Hart Jennifer Lynn Frechette Julianne S. Lark Catheryn Ann Stevens Theresa Margaret Faix Williams



July 12, 2025 at Half Past Two O'Clock in the Afternoon

St. Mark's Episcopal Church, Grand Rapids, Michigan

The Rt. Rev. Dr. Bonnie A. Perry XI Bishop of Michigan Presiding for the Episcopal Diocese of the Great Lake

The Venerable Beth Lynn Drew Archdeacon, Episcopal Diocese of the Great Lakes Preaching



# welcome

#### **Baptism Forms the Soul of a Minister**

This ordination you are attending is based on the truth that baptism forms the soul of a minister. All of us, as the people of God, are called and empowered to do ministry. Traditionally the church has seen ministry in three categories: servant ministry, relationship ministry, and uniting ministry. All baptized people engage at various times in each of these ministries.

For example, when you volunteer at a soup kitchen or shelter, or when you help serve food at a parish dinner, you are engaging in servant ministry. When you give a neighbor a ride to the doctor or some other appointment, you are doing servant ministry. When you take food to a grieving person or someone recovering from illness, that is servant ministry. When you serve the outcast, the poor, or the downtrodden by advocating for more just social structures, that is servant ministry. When the Altar Guild and acolytes work diligently to enable the congregation's worship, that is servant ministry.

When, based on your Christian motivations, you help mediate a dispute between coworkers or family members, you are engaging in relationship ministry. When you encourage a sad friend, befriend an outcast, or welcome a parish visitor, that is relationship ministry. When you invite someone to join your ministry team or group that is relationship ministry. When you help a shut in person feel connected through a phone call, card, or visit, that is relationship ministry.

When a Christian leads, forms, or unites a group because of her or his commitment to Christ, that Christian is exercising uniting ministry. Whenever you teach or promulgate the faith, you are exercising uniting ministry. This includes teaching a Christian Formation class for children, youth, or adults, or functioning as a baptismal or confirmation sponsor. When you call together a team to accomplish a task for your parish or, in the name of Christ, for your neighborhood, you are exercising uniting ministry. When you pay your pledge, you are exercising uniting ministry by facilitating and supporting the Christian group that is your parish and your diocese. When you chair a local, regional, or Churchwide committee you are exercising uniting ministry.

When we discern that someone is gifted at calling and teaching the Christian community to exercise servant ministry, we ordain that person a deacon. When we discern that someone is gifted at calling the Christian community to exercise relationship ministry, we ordain that person a priest. And when we discern that someone is gifted at calling the Christian community to exercise uniting ministry, we ordain that person a bishop.

All Christians, ordained and lay, exercise all three types of ministry. A lengthy and careful process of discernment and formation by the individual, the local Christian community (parish), and the broader Christian community (diocese) may lead to ordination. The ordination is a recognition of the person's leadership potential and the whole community's (individual, parish, and diocese) sense of the Spirit's call to that person. It is not the deacon's job to do all the servant ministry in the Christian community. It is not the priest's job to do all the relationship ministry in the Christian community. And it is not the bishop's job to do all the uniting ministry in the Christian community. It is, rather, the role of the bishop, priest, and deacon to be both a sign and call to the community of the category of ministry represented by their order. Their task is crucial precisely because baptism forms the soul of a minister, and we are all ministers in and of Christ.

We hope you enjoy today's ordination liturgy. May it renew in you your own sense of ministry as a baptized member of the household of God.

The Rev. Dr. Randall Warren

# The Ordination of Deacons

The Poor will always be with us. That statement is true and accurate for a host of reasons, but it provides no moral cover for throwing up one's hands in discouragement or claiming that, because we cannot solve the problem, we must not or will not do anything to address it. After all, the commandments to love God as we love ourselves and to behave toward others as we want them to act towards us apply. Furthermore, whenever we help "the least of these" we serve Jesus, and whenever we do not aid "the least of these" we do not serve Jesus.

Deacon St. Elizabeth Catherine Ferard (C of E., 1825-1883)

Prelude

We All Are One in Mission

Gordon Young (1919-1998)

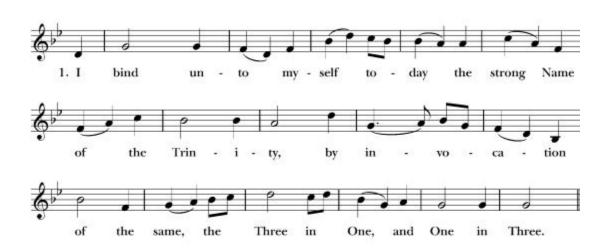
Hymn

Please stand in body or spirit as you feel moved and are able.

During the hymn, the Bishop and her Chaplain process to the front of the center aisle and turn to face the people.

"I bind unto myself today"

St. Patrick's Breastplate



This hymn continues on the following pages.





# **Opening Acclamation**

**Bishop** Blessed be God: Creator, Christ, and Holy Spirit.

People And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

# The Collect for Purity

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are **Bishop** 

> 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 Presentation

The People are seated.

As the Presentation is a conversation between the Assembled Church, the Ordinands, and their Presenters, the Ordinands are standing at the front of the Church, facing the People. The Bishop, as the voice of the Assembled Church, turns and faces the Ordinands.

JKA's Bonnie, Bishop in the Church of God, on behalf of the clergy and people of the Diocese of the Great Lakes, we present to you John Khot Atem to be ordained a deacon in Christ's **Presenters** 

holy catholic Church.

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the Great Lakes, we present to you Theresa Margaret Faix Williams to be ordained a

deacon in Christ's holy catholic Church.

Bishop Have they been selected in accordance with the canons of this Church? And do you

believe their manners of life to be suitable to the exercise of this ministry?

AllWe certify to you that they have satisfied the requirements of the canons, and we believe

them to be qualified for this order. **Presenters** 

John, Kathryn, Stephanie, Jessica, Jennifer, Julianne, Catheryn, and Theresa: will you be Bishop

> 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 above declaration in the sight of all and it is witnessed by the signatures of their Presenters. The Presenters then go to their pews. The People then stand. The Bishop turns and addresses them, saying

Dear friends in Christ, you know the importance of this ministry, and the weight of Bishop

your responsibility in presenting John Knot Atem, Kathryn Anne Christian, Stephanie Ann Coté, Jessica Ann Hart, Jennifer Lynn Frechette, Julianne S. Lark, Catheryn Ann Stevens, and Theresa Margaret Faix Williams for ordination to the sacred order of deacons. Therefore if any of you know any impediment or crime because of which we

should not proceed, come forward now and make it known.

*If no objection is made, the Bishop continues* 

Is it your will that John, Kathryn, Stephanie, Jessica, Jennifer, Julianne, Catheryn, and

Theresa be ordained deacons?

People It is.

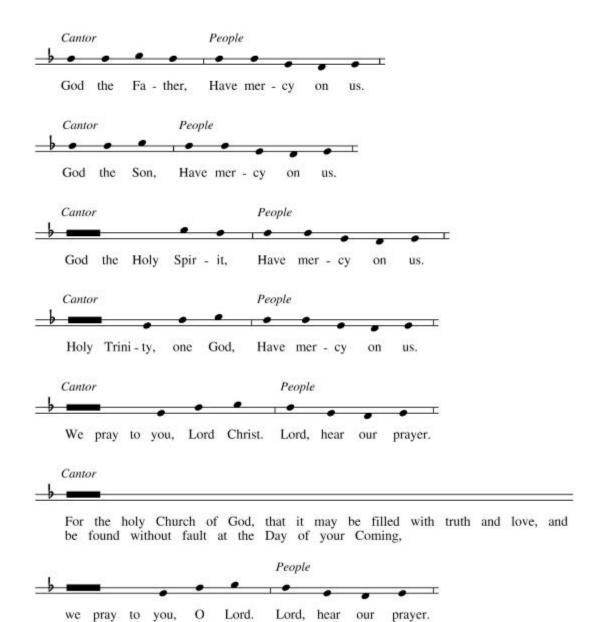
Will you uphold them in this ministry? Bishop

People We will.

#### The Litany for Ordinations

#### The Rev. Joseph Kennedy

The People kneel, as able. The Bishop goes to her chair. The Ordinands kneel before the altar.



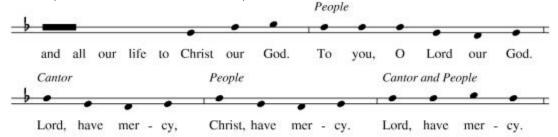
The Litany continues, The People's response being



*The Litany draws to a close with the following:* 

Cantor

Rejoicing in the fellowship of Blessed Mary the God-Bearer, Luke, John, and all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another



#### The Collect

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 Ministry of the Word

Please be seated.

#### The First Reading: Exodus 1:15-21

**Mr. Darr Summers** 

Reader A reading from The Book of Exodus.

The king of Egypt said to the Hebrew midwives, one of whom was named Shiphrah and the other Puah, "When you act as midwives to the Hebrew women and see them on the birthstool, if it is a son, kill him, but if it is a daughter, she shall live." But the midwives feared God; they did not do as the king of Egypt commanded them, but they let the boys live. So the king of Egypt summoned the midwives and said to them, "Why have you done this and allowed the boys to live?" The midwives said to Pharaoh, "Because the Hebrew women are not like the Egyptian women, for they are vigorous and give birth before the midwife comes to them." So God dealt well with the midwives, and the people multiplied and became very strong. And because the midwives feared God, he gave them families.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People Thanks be to God.

Deacon Please join in reciting the portion of The Wisdom of Jesus ben Sirach, as found in the

bulletin.

People Wisdom was created before all things

and prudent understanding from eternity.

The root of wisdom—to whom has it been revealed?

Her subtleties—who knows them?

There is but one who is wise, greatly to be feared,

seated upon his throne: the Lord.

It is he who created her;

he saw her and took her measure;

he poured her out upon all his works,

upon all the living according to his gift;

he lavished her upon those who love him.

The fear of the Lord is glory and exultation and gladness and a crown of rejoicing.

The fear of the Lord delights the heart and gives gladness and joy and long life.

Those who fear the Lord will have a happy end; on the day of their death they will be blessed.

To fear the Lord is the beginning of wisdom; she is created with the faithful in the womb. She made among humans an eternal foundation, and among their descendants she will abide faithfully.

#### The Second Reading: Galatians 3:23-29

Reader A reading from The Letter of Paul to the Galatians.

Now before faith came, we were imprisoned and guarded under the law until faith would be revealed. Therefore the law was our disciplinarian until Christ came, so that we might be reckoned as righteous by faith. But now that faith has come, we are no longer subject to a disciplinarian, for in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith. As many of you as were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. There is no longer Jew or Greek; there is no longer slave or free; there is no longer male and female, for all of you are one in Christ Jesus. And if you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham's offspring, heirs according to the promise.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People Thanks be to God.

### **Hymn** Please stand in body or spirit as you feel moved and are able.

During the hymn, the Book of Gospels will be brought out among the gathered people of God. If the Book of Gospels is carried past your pew, please turn to face it as you are able.



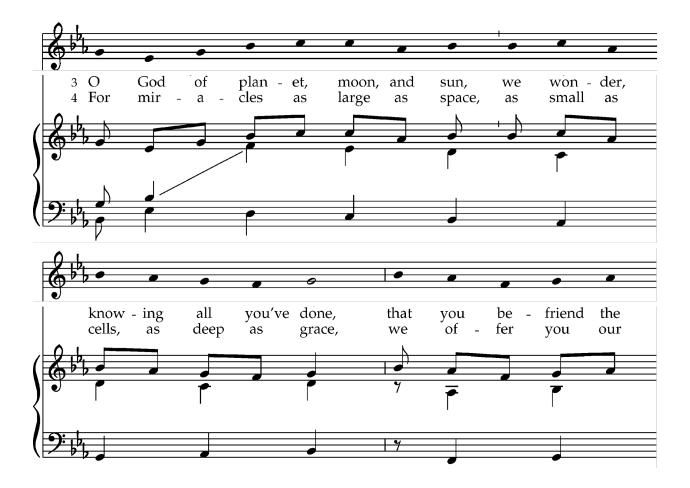
Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Luke People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Deacon

But on the first day of the week, at early dawn, they went to the tomb, taking the spices that they had prepared. They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, but when they went in they did not find the body. While they were perplexed about this, suddenly two men in dazzling clothes stood beside them. The women were terrified and bowed their faces to the ground, but the men said to them, "Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here but has risen. Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, that the Son of Man must be handed over to the hands of sinners and be crucified and on the third day rise again." Then they remembered his words, and returning from the tomb they told all this to the eleven and to all the rest. Now it was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the other women with them who told this to the apostles. But these words seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe them.

The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.





### The Homily

Please be seated.

The Venerable Beth Drew

#### The Nicene Creed

Please stand as you are able.

ELLC Text without the filioque

Bishop

Let us proclaim our faith, which covers the earth and spans the ages, by reciting the Nicene Creed.

People

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,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit
and the Virgin Mary and became truly human.

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,
who with the Father and the Son
is worshiped and glorified,
who 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 Examination

All are seated except the ordinands, who stand before the Bishop. The Bishop addresses the ordinands as follows:

**Bishop** 

My siblings, 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.

My siblings, 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 respect and 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 and that of your family 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 the service he lays upon you.

Ordinands Amen.

#### The Consecration of the Priests

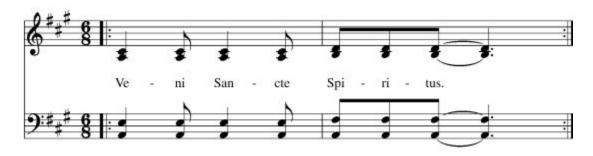
All now stand except the Ordinands, who kneel facing the Bishop. The People intone the following at a slow tempo and repeatedly.

"Veni Sancti Spiritus"

Jaques Berthier (1923 - 1994)

The Rev. Joseph Kennedy, Cantor

#### People



As the People continue to invoke the Holy Spirit, the Cantor will intone the following.

Cantor Come, Holy Spirit, from heaven shine forth

with your glorious light. *Veni Sancte Spiritus*.

Come from the four winds, O Spirit, come breath of God;

Disperse the shadows over us, renew the strength of your people.

Veni Sancte Spiritus.

A period of silent prayer follows, the People still standing.

The Bishop then says the following Prayer of Consecration:

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.

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

Therefore, Father, through Jesus Christ your Son, give your Holy Spirit to Kathryn; fill her with grace and power, and make her a deacon in your Church.

Therefore, Father, through Jesus Christ your Son, give your Holy Spirit to Stephanie; fill her with grace and power, and make her a deacon in your Church.

Therefore, Father, through Jesus Christ your Son, give your Holy Spirit to Jessica; fill them with grace and power, and make them a deacon in your Church.

Therefore, Father, through Jesus Christ your Son, give your Holy Spirit to Jennifer; fill her with grace and power, and make her a deacon in your Church.

Therefore, Father, through Jesus Christ your Son, give your Holy Spirit to Julianne; fill her with grace and power, and make her a deacon in your Church.

Therefore, Father, through Jesus Christ your Son, give your Holy Spirit to Catherine; fill her with grace and power, and make her a deacon in your Church.

Therefore, Father, through Jesus Christ your Son, give your Holy Spirit to Theresa; fill her with grace and power, and make her a deacon in your Church.

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:

#### AMEN!

The new Deacons are vested according to the order of deacons.

The Bishop gives each of the newly ordained Deacons a Bible, saying

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

# The Exchange of Peace

Presider The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

# The Holy Communion

# **Offertory Sentence**

Deaconess Jean Morrison (Church of Scotland, 1963-2024)

Bishop This is the way Jesus behaved with people. He believed in them. If he said go and sin no more, he believed in them enough to believe that they would at least try and be better.

The offering today will be split among the new deacons' discretionary funds to help support their responsive ministry in their communities. Give online by scanning the QR code.







# **Eucharistic Prayer B**

Expansive Language Version

Please stand in body or spirit as you are able and feel called.

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

Bishop Lift up your hearts.

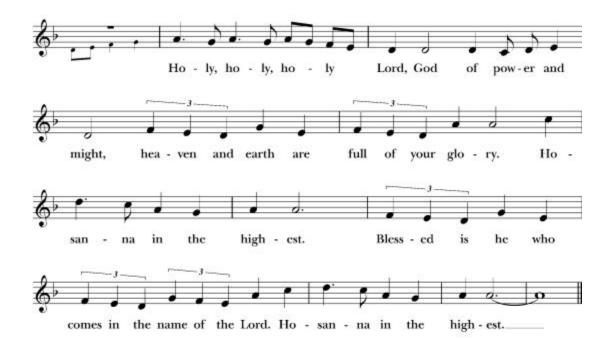
People We lift them to the Lord.

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

The Bishop continues, giving voice to this prayer which we are all praying in our hearts and minds.

Bishop

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Almighty God, 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:



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 Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh. For in these last days you sent Jesus to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In Christ, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In Christ, 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 Savior 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 Jesus 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."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

People

We remember Christ's death, We proclaim Christ's resurrection, We await Christ's coming in glory;

**Bishop** 

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Savior 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 in the sacrifice of Jesus Christ, through whom we are acceptable to you, 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 all your saints, we may enter the

everlasting heritage of your children; through Jesus Christ our Savior, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and 15 glory is yours, Almighty God, now and for ever.

People AMEN!

# The Lord's Prayer

You may recite the Lord's Prayer in your heart's language.

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

People

Awädeen to inhial, Rinku aabi ke yaa rieü, Cok ciendu cok bo; Ye piondu cok loi në piny nhom në cit piny nhial, Ye wo miooc në yee köölë buk ya cam, Ye wo puol në käreckuo, ci men ye wo koc ye kërac luoi wo puol, Duonë wo cok ye them, Ye wo luok në kërac, Cien ee këdu, Rieer ee këdu, nhuoom ee këdu atheer. Amiin.

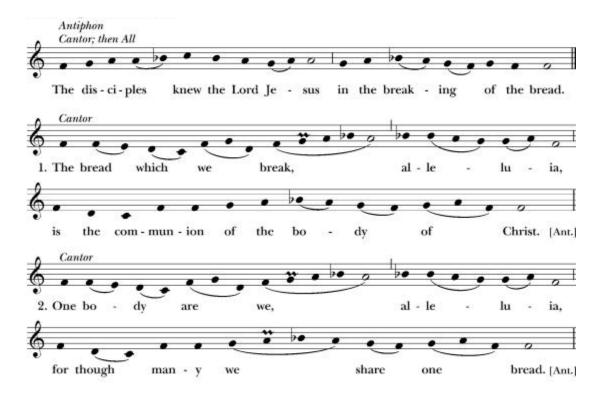
Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your Name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

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.

Padre nuestro que estás en los cielos, santificado sea tu Nombre; venga tu reino; hágase tu voluntad, así en la tierra como en el cielo; danos hoy el pan nuestro de cada día; perdona nuestras ofensas, así como nosotros perdonamos a los que nos ofenden; no nos dejes caer en la tentación y líbranos de mal. Amén.

# The Breaking of the Bread

The Bishop Breaks the Consecrated Bread



# The Invitation to Holy Communion

Bishop The Gifts of God for the people of God.

Holy Communion will be served at 5 stations; three at the front of the church and two at the back of the church. All of the Bread used today is gluten free. A non-alcoholic Wine is available at the front station closest to the baptismal font. If the overflow space is used, Eucharistic ministers will bring Holy Communion to those gathered in that space.

"Taste and see" Taste and See and Taste and see the Taste see. good ness of the Lord. O taste and sec. Taste and



#### **Communion Music**

Love is Patient, Love is Kind

Sung by: **Grace Harmony** 

Love is patient, love is kind It has no arrogance or pride It seeks the good of others first It keeps no record of wrong or hurt

It finds no joy in wickedness But rejoices in the truth Through it all it will endure Love will never fail

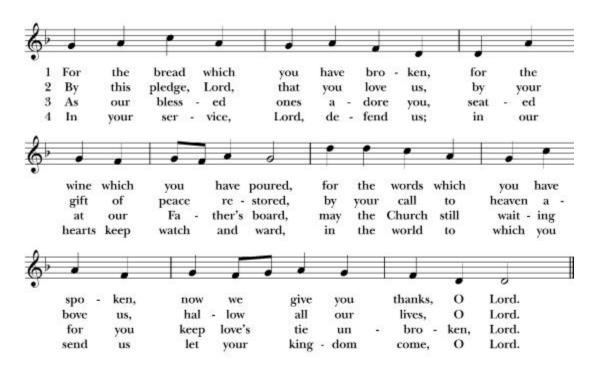
#### Chorus

Love will never, never fail (x3)

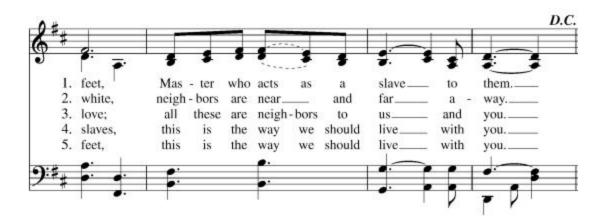
Love will never fail
Though all prophecy will cease
Though all knowledge, it will fade
Oh, an end will come to speech
Even death will pass away
We will see You face to face
And your mercy will prevail
Faith and hope they will remain
Love will never fail

#### Chorus

Love, love will never fail (x4)









#### The Prayer after Holy Communion

Please stand in body or spirit as you feel moved and are able.

Bishop Let us pray.

People

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 John, Kathryn, Stephanie, Jessica, Jennifer, Julianne, Catheryn, and Theresa may be to us effective examples 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

Bishop Our help is in the Name of the Lord; People The maker of heaven and earth.

Bishop Blessed be the Name of the Lord;
People From this time forth for evermore.

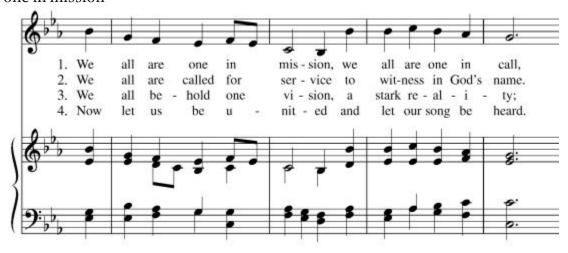
Bishop The blessing, mercy, and grace of God Almighty,

the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you, and remain with you for ever.

People Amen.

"We all are one in mission"

Nyland





#### The Dismissal

The New Deacons together pronounce the Dismissal.

New Deacons Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. People Thanks be to God.

**Postlude** 

Allegro

James Woodman (b. 1957)

# The Ordinands

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Thank you, Bishop Bonnie Perry, for being with us today and ordaining our new Deacons!

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