



**The Ordination of Aimee Elles
to the
Ministry of Word and Service**

**Saturday after Pentecost
June 3, 2023
3:00 p.m.**

**Welcome to Christ the King Evangelical
Lutheran Church!**



Wherever you are in your faith journey, you are welcome here.

Called by the Holy Spirit, we are committed to welcoming and celebrating all people, inclusive of culture, age, race or ethnicity, gender identity and expression, sexual orientation, ability, economic status, or family structure. We are committed to the work of racial equity and justice within and through our community that we all may be transformed to be fully the body of Christ in our world. We invite you to worship with us, receive Christ's gift of Holy Communion with us, share your own story with us, and serve with us as we strive to live into God's universal embrace in Jesus Christ.

Gluten-free Bread for holy communion is freshly baked weekly. The wine contains alcohol. You may receive both Bread and Wine, or either: Christ is fully present in all. If you do not wish to commune, please come to the altar rail with other worshipers for a blessing.

Restrooms are located in the ministry building. From the nave, follow the cloister through the courtyard into the double doors. Restrooms will be on your left.

Firearms are not permitted at any time inside Christ the King Church buildings and courtyard.

*The altar flowers are given today to the glory of God
by Diane Persson and Daniel Johnson
In honor of Beverly Davis' ministry and Daniel's birthday.*

Evangelical Lutheran Worship, *Setting Nine*, beginning on page 193. All scripture readings are from the *New Revised Standard Version of the Bible*.

Gathering

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

Pealing of the Bells

Prelude

Prelude in C, BWV 545

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

Thanksgiving and Affirmation of Baptism

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✠ one God,
by whose hand we are given new birth,
by whose speaking we are given new life. **Amen.**

Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism, we are welcomed, restored, and supported as citizens of the new creation. Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism as we come before God to make public affirmation of baptism into Christ.

Let us pray. Merciful God, we thank you that you have made us your own by water and the Word in baptism. You have called us to yourself, enlightened us with the gifts of your Spirit, and nourished us in the community of faith. Uphold us and all your servants in the gifts and promises of baptism, and unite the hearts of all whom you have brought to new birth. We ask this in the name of Christ. **Amen.**

PROFESSION OF FAITH

I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the church.

Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God?

I renounce them.

Do you renounce the powers of this world that rebel against God?

I renounce them.

Do you renounce the ways of sin that draw you from God?

I renounce them.

Do you believe in God the Father?

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
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,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

**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.**

AFFIRMATION

You have made public profession of your faith. Do you intend to continue in the covenant God made with you in holy baptism:

to live among God's faithful people,
to hear the word of God and share in the Lord's supper,
to proclaim the good news of God in Christ through word and deed,
to serve all people, following the example of Jesus,
and to strive for justice and peace in all the earth?

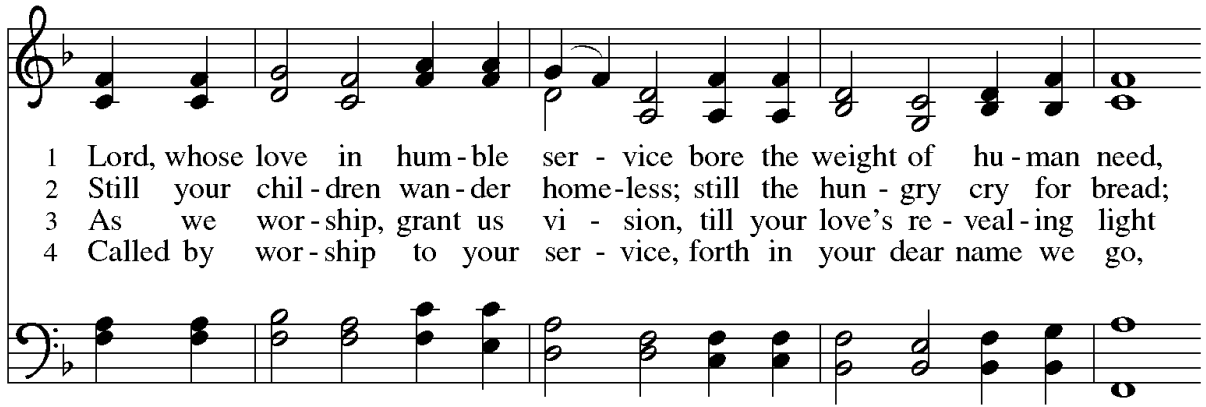
I do, and I ask God to help and guide me.

People of God, do you promise to support and pray for one another in your life in Christ?

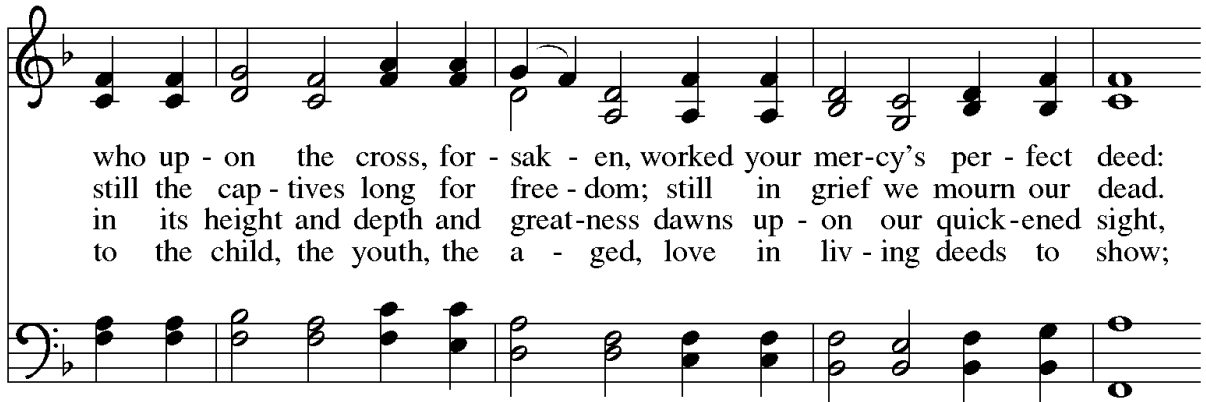
We do, and we ask God to help and guide us.

Let us pray.

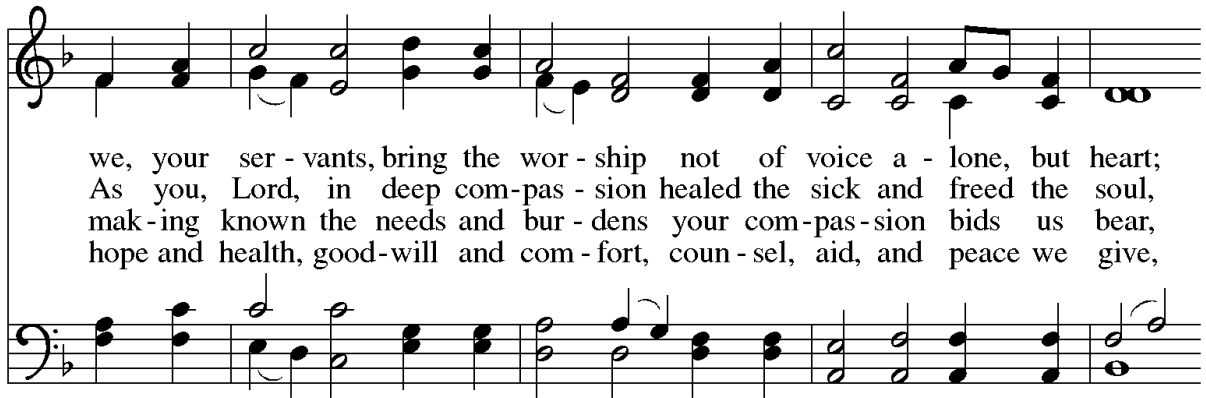
We give you thanks, O God, that through water and the Holy Spirit you give us new birth, cleanse us from sin, and raise us to eternal life. Stir up in your people the gift of your Holy Spirit: the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord, the spirit of joy in your presence both now and forever. **Amen.**



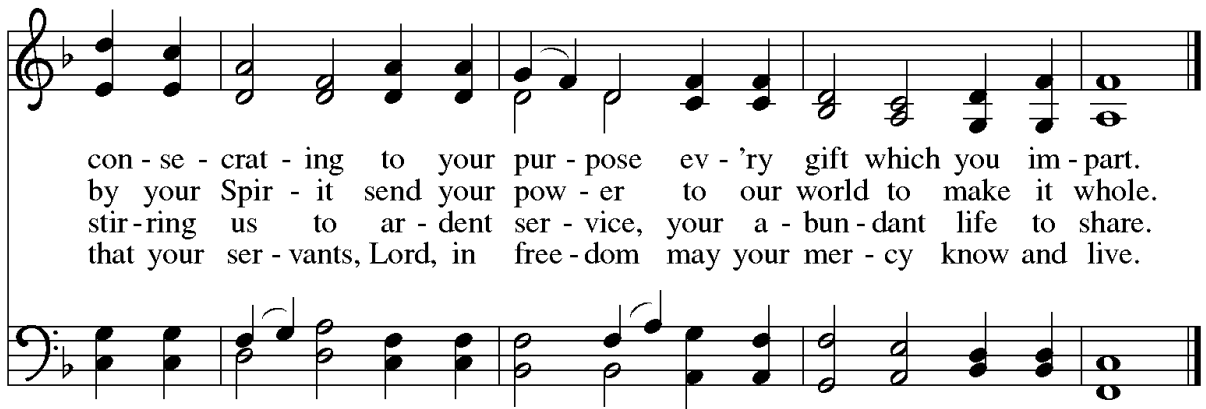
1 Lord, whose love in hum-ble ser - vice bore the weight of hu - man need,
 2 Still your chil - dren wan - der home-less; still the hun - gry cry for bread;
 3 As we wor - ship, grant us vi - sion, till your love's re - veal - ing light
 4 Called by wor - ship to your ser - vice, forth in your dear name we go,



who up - on the cross, for - sak - en, worked your mer - cy's per - fect deed;
 still the cap - tives long for free - dom; still in grief we mourn our dead.
 in its height and depth and great - ness dawns up - on our quick - ened sight,
 to the child, the youth, the a - ged, love in liv - ing deeds to show;



we, your ser - vants, bring the wor - ship not of voice a - lone, but heart;
 As you, Lord, in deep com - pas - sion healed the sick and freed the soul,
 mak - ing known the needs and bur - dens your com - pas - sion bids us bear,
 hope and health, good - will and com - fort, coun - sel, aid, and peace we give,



con - se - crat - ing to your pur - pose ev - 'ry gift which you im - part.
 by your Spir - it send your pow - er to our world to make it whole.
 stir - ring us to ar - dent ser - vice, your a - bun - dant life to share.
 that your ser - vants, Lord, in free - dom may your mer - cy know and live.

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Music: BEACH SPRING, *The Sacred Harp*, Philadelphia, 1844; arr. *Selected Hymns*, 1985

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Greeting

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray:

A brief silence is kept before the prayer.

O God, through the ages you have called from among your people those who will carry out the ministry of word and service in the church. Let your blessing rest now on all who answer that call. Grant that *Aimee*, now to be ordained to this ministry, may carry out the ministry of word and service faithfully in the power of your Spirit. Give her understanding of the gospel, sincerity of purpose, diligence in ministry, and the beauty of life in Christ, that many people will be served and your name be glorified; through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

Word

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

sit

First Reading

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. ²Seraphs 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. ³And one called to another and said:

‘Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts;
the whole earth is full of his glory.’

⁴The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke. ⁵And I said: ‘Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a

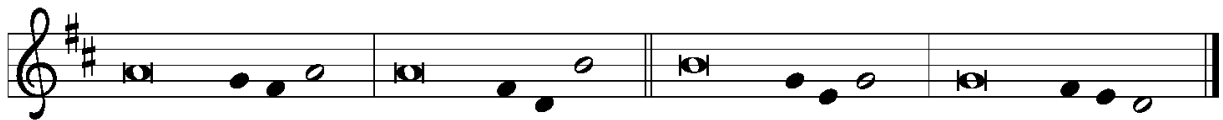
man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!

⁶ Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. ⁷ 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.’ ⁸ 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!’

Word of God, word of life. *or* The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God. Thanks be to God.

Psalm 46

The psalm is sung in alternation by verse.



God is our ref-¹uge and strength,
a very present¹ help in trouble.

²**Therefore we will not fear, though the¹ earth be moved,
and though the mountains shake in the depths¹ of the sea;**

³though its waters¹ rage and foam,
and though the mountains tremble¹ with its tumult.

⁴**There is a river whose streams make glad the cit-¹y of God,
the holy habitation of¹ the Most High.**

⁵God is in the midst of the city; it shall¹ not be shaken;
God shall help it at the¹ break of day.

⁶**The nations rage, and the¹ kingdoms shake;
God speaks, and the earth¹ melts away.**

⁷The LORD of¹ hosts is with us;
the God of Jacob¹ is our stronghold.

⁸**Come now, regard the works¹ of the LORD,
what desolations God has brought up-¹ on the earth;**

⁹behold the one who makes war to cease in¹ all the world;

who breaks the bow, and shatters the spear,
and burns the shields with fire.

¹⁰“**Be still, then, and know that I am God;**

I will be exalted among the nations; I will be exalted in the earth.”

¹¹The LORD of hosts is with us;

the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

Second Reading

Romans 12:1-12

I appeal to you therefore, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. ²Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God—what is good and acceptable and perfect.

³ For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of yourself more highly than you ought to think, but to think with sober judgement, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned. ⁴For as in one body we have many members, and not all the members have the same function, ⁵so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually we are members one of another. ⁶We have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us: prophecy, in proportion to faith; ⁷ministry, in ministering; the teacher, in teaching; ⁸the exhorter, in exhortation; the giver, in generosity; the leader, in diligence; the compassionate, in cheerfulness.

⁹ Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; ¹⁰love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honor. ¹¹Do not lag in zeal, be ardent in spirit, serve the Lord. ¹²Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer.

Word of God, word of life.

or

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Thanks be to God.

stand

Gospel Acclamation



How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of the messenger who announces peace, who brings good news, who announces salvation.

The Holy Gospel

Saint John 20: 19-23

The Holy Gospel according to Saint John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

¹⁹When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, ‘Peace be with you.’ ²⁰After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. ²¹Jesus said to them again, ‘Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.’

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

sit

Sermon

At the conclusion of the introduction, the assembly stands to sing the Hymn of the Day.



1 "I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my peo - ple cry.
 2 "I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my peo - ple's pain.
 3 "I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame.



All who dwell in dark and sin my hand will save.
 I have wept for love of them. They turn a - way.
 I will set a feast for them. My hand will save.



I, who made the stars of night, I will make their dark-ness bright.
 I will break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love a - lone.
 Fin-est bread I will pro-vide till their hearts be sat - is - fied.



Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?"
 I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send?"
 I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send?"

Refrain



Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you



call-ing in the night. I will go, Lord, if you



lead me. I will hold your peo - ple in my heart.

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 Music: HERE I AM, LORD, Daniel L. Schutte
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Presentation

The assembly stands. Candidate for ordination gather with presenter/s and participating ministers before the assembly. Each candidate is presented to the presiding minister and to the assembly.

I present for ordination to the ministry of word and service Aimee Elles, who has been prepared, examined, and approved for this ministry and who has been called by the church to this ministry through the Texas-Louisiana Gulf Coast Synod. **Thanks be to God.**

The presenter/s move aside, and the assembly is seated.

Address and Questions

The bishop addresses the Candidate.

All baptized Christians are called to share in Christ's ministry of love and service in the world, to the glory of God and for the sake of the human family and the whole creation. You have been called as a minister of word and service to give leadership in the church's mission to proclaim the gospel through word and deed. You are now to be entrusted with the ministry of word and service in the one holy catholic church by the laying on of hands and by prayer.

A reading from Luke: Jesus said, "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor." (*Luke 4:18-19*)

A reading from First Corinthians: There are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. (*1 Corinthians 12:4-7*)

A reading from Second Corinthians: The love of Christ urges us on, because we are convinced that one has died for all; therefore all have died. And he died for all, so that those who live might live no longer for themselves, but for him who died and was raised for them. From now on, therefore, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way. So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new! (2 Corinthians 5:14-17)

Before almighty God, to whom you must give account, and in the presence of this assembly, I ask:

Will you assume this office, believing that the church's call is God's call to the ministry of word and service?

Response: I will, and I ask God to help me.

The church in which you are to be ordained confesses that the holy scriptures are the word of God and are the norm of its faith and life. We accept, teach, and confess the Apostles', the Nicene, and the Athanasian Creeds. We also acknowledge the Lutheran confessions as true witnesses and faithful expositions of the holy scriptures. Will you therefore carry out your ministry in accordance with the holy scriptures and these creeds and confessions?

Response: I will, and I ask God to help me.

Will you be diligent in your study of the holy scriptures and faithful in your use of the means of grace? Will you pray for God's people, encourage and support them as they worship and grow in faith, and lead them by your own example in faithful service and holy living?

Response: I will, and I ask God to help me.

Will you give faithful witness in the world through word and deed, that God's love may be known in all that you do?

Response: I will, and I ask God to help me.

Almighty God, who has given you the will to do these things, graciously give you the strength and compassion to perform them. **Amen.**

Prayers of Intercession

The assembly stands.

With the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, let us pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation.

For the holy catholic church, that, filled with your love, it may hunger for truth and thirst after righteousness: God of mercy, **hear our prayer.**

For all members of the church, that they may serve you in true and godly lives: God of mercy, **hear our prayer.**

For Aimee, called to the ministry of word and service in the church, that, sustained by your Holy Spirit, she may carry out this ministry with joy and a spirit of bold trust, serve your people and the world in need, and glorify your name: God of mercy, **hear our prayer.**

For all ministers of word and service; for all ministers of word and sacrament; for Elizabeth and Michael, our bishops; that, together with all those responsible for the care and nurture of your people, they may support one another in serving Christ: God of mercy, **hear our prayer.**

For the peace of the church, that our divisions may be overcome, so that, united in Christ, we may serve the world and bear witness to the good news: God of mercy, **hear our prayer.**

For the mission of the church, that in faithful witness it may proclaim the gospel and in humble love serve all in need: God of mercy, **hear our prayer.**

For the nations of the world, especially Ukraine, Russia, Sudan, Peru, Israel and Palestine, and their leaders, that they may work for justice and promote the dignity and freedom of every person: God of mercy, **hear our prayer.**

For the whole creation, that everything you have made may fulfill your purpose and that we may exercise care for your diverse gifts:
God of mercy, **hear our prayer.**

For the poor, the persecuted, the sick, the lonely, the forgotten, and all who suffer; for refugees, prisoners, and all who are in danger; that they may be relieved and protected: God of mercy, **hear our prayer.**

For the glorious company of all the saints, those who have died in faith and those who live in certain hope, we praise you. That their witness may give us courage until the day of Jesus Christ: God of mercy, **hear our prayer.**

The bishop concludes the intercessions.

Into your hands, gracious God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Savior. **Amen.**

The candidate may kneel

Hymn of Invocation

O Spirit, all-embracing



1 O Spir - it all - em - brac - ing and coun - sel - or all - wise,
2 O Beau - ty ev - er blaz - ing in flow - er, field, and face,
3 Come, pas - sion's pow - er ho - ly, your in - sight here im - part,



un - bound - ed splen - dor grac - ing a shore - less sea of skies:
you show your - self a - maz - ing in un - ex - pect - ed place.
and give your ser - vants low - ly an un - der - stand - ing heart



un - fail - ing is your trea - sure, un - fad - ing your re - ward;
We see you and re - mem - ber what once our dreams had been;
to know your care more clear - ly when faith and love are tried,



sur - pass - ing world - ly plea - sure, the rich - es you af - ford.
you fan the glow - ing em - ber and kin - dle hope with - in.
to seek you more sin - cere - ly when false i - deals have died:



Come, stream of end - less flow - ing, and res - cue us from death;
Come, fire of glo - ry gra - cious, bless all who trust in you;
for vi - sion we im - plore you, for wis - dom's pure de - light;



come, wind of spring - time blow - ing, and warm us by your breath.
un - dy - ing flame te - na - cious, burn in your church a - new.
in prayer we come be - fore you to wait up - on your light.

Text: Delores Dufner, OSB, b. 1939

Music: THAXTED, Gustav Holst, 1874-1934

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Thanksgiving

The assembly stands and the leads the assembly in giving thanks.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal, we thank you for sending your Son, Jesus Christ, your Word made flesh, who proclaimed your gracious reign in words and in deeds of service to the poor and the suffering; who humbled himself, taking on the form of a servant; and who showed us that the one wishing to be great must be servant of all.

We praise you for the many ministries in your church, and especially this day for calling people to the ministry of word and service: to proclaim your life-giving word in faithful and diverse ways, to equip all the people of God for their work of ministry, and to serve a world in need.

The bishop lays both hands on the head of the candidate. Other ministers may be invited by the presiding minister to participate, first ministers of Word and Service, with ministers of Word and Sacrament to follow. After a time of silent prayer, the bishop continues:

Eternal God, through your Son, Jesus Christ, pour out your Holy Spirit upon Aimee and fill Aimee with the gifts of grace for the ministry of word and service. Send your power and blessing, that Aimee may carry out this ministry with faithfulness and perseverance. Let your servant's life and teaching so reflect your grace that many may come to know you and love you through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

The assembly is seated.

Giving of a Stole

The candidate may remain kneeling. A deacon's stole is placed over the candidate's shoulder as the bishop says:

Receive this stole as a sign of your work, and live in obedience to the Lord Jesus, serving his people and remembering his promise: "Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light." (*Matthew 11:28-30*).

Charge

The candidate stands and is addressed with the following scripture passages.

Hear the words of the apostles: Pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance, gentleness. Fight the good fight of the faith; take hold of the eternal life to which you were called. (*1 Timothy 6:11-12*)

And again: Think of us in this way, as servants of Christ and stewards of God's mysteries. Moreover, it is required of stewards that they be found trustworthy. (*1 Corinthians 4:1-2*)

And again: Rekindle the gift of God that is within you through the laying on of hands. Hold to the standard of sound teaching that you have heard, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. Guard the good treasure entrusted to you, with the help of the Holy Spirit living in us. Be strong in the grace that is in Christ Jesus. (*2 Timothy 1:6, 13-14; 2:1*)

The bishop addresses the candidate.

Aimee, care for God's people, bear their burdens, and do not betray their confidence. Serve the needy, care for the sick, comfort the distressed, and, through words and actions, witness faithfully to God's love for all people. Cross every barrier that stands between the church and its ministry in the world. Seek out those places where the gospel of Jesus Christ meets the

world's need. Empower, equip, and support all the baptized in the ministry of Jesus Christ. Lead us all in proclaiming the gospel in word and song, in witness and service. And be of good courage, for God has called you, and your labor in the Lord is not in vain.

Blessing

The bishop continues.

The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, make you complete in everything good so that you may do God's will, working in you that which is pleasing in God's sight; through Jesus Christ, to whom be the glory forever and ever. **Amen.**

The assembly stands.

Acclamation by the Assembly

The ministers and the candidate face the assembly.

The presiding minister addresses the assembly.

Will you, assembled as the people of God and speaking for the whole church, receive Aimee as a minister of word and service, sent by God to serve all people in Christ's name? Will you regard her as a servant of Christ?

We will, and we ask God to help us.

Will you pray for her, help and honor her for her work's sake, and in all things strive to live together in the peace and unity of Christ?

We will, and we ask God to help us.

The bishop presents the newly ordained to the assembly.

Let it be acclaimed that Aimee Elles is a called and ordained minister of word and service in the church of Christ. Aimee has Christ's authority to witness to the gospel and to serve with boldness as together we bear God's creative and redeeming love to all the world.

Amen. Thanks be to God.

The assembly may offer acclamation with applause.

Installation

The Bishop addresses the assembly.

Having been authorized by the church to install Deacon Aimee Elles, our co-worker in the gospel, as Chaplain Fellow, I now ask for certification of this call.

The Rev. Gale Kennebrew of MD Anderson addresses the presiding minister of the calling body addresses the presiding minister.

After prayer deliberation by the Texas Louisiana Gulf Coast Synod Council, Deacon Aimee Elles has been called as a Chaplain Fellow for the University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Treatment Center. I present this letter certifying the call.

The representative gives the bishop the letter certifying that the call has been received and accepted. The bishop addresses the minister of word and service.

Address and Questions

The presiding minister addresses the minister of word and service.

Our Lord, who came among us as a servant, calls us to faith and a life of loving service to our neighbor. You come among us as one called and set apart for the ministry of word and service, a gift from God to inspire us to love and service to Christ.

A reading from Mark: Jesus said, “You know that among the Gentiles those whom they recognize as their rulers lord it over them, and their great ones are tyrants over them. But it is not so among you; but whoever wishes to become great among you must be your servant. For the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many.”
(*Mark 10:42-43, 45*)

A reading from First Peter: Like good stewards of the manifold grace of God, serve one another with whatever gift each of you has received. Whoever speaks must do so as one speaking the very words of God; whoever serves

must do so with the strength that God supplies, so that God may be glorified in all things through Jesus Christ. (*1 Peter 4:10-11*)

Aimee, in the presence of this assembly,
will you commit yourself to this new trust and responsibility?

Response: I will, and I ask God to help me.

Almighty God, who has given you the will to do these things,
graciously give you the strength and compassion to perform them.

The assembly responds: **Amen.**

The assembly stands.

The presiding minister addresses the assembly.

People of God,
will you receive *Aimee* into this ministry
as one called and sent to serve all people in Christ's name?
We will, and we ask God to help us.

Will you pray for her?
Will you help and honor *Aimee* in carrying out this ministry?
In all things, will you strive to live together in the peace and unity of Christ?
We will, and we ask God to help us.

Deacon Aimee Elles, the ministry of Chaplain Fellow is now committed to you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Let us pray.

Merciful God, as your beloved Son brought health and strength to the sick and afflicted, so you have called Aimee to offer aid to the suffering. Make your servant wise in using knowledge and skill, diligent in ministering to those in need, and compassionate in all service. In the midst of suffering and death make Aimee a faithful witness to the hope of the resurrection; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

Peace

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

The people greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace and may say:

Peace be with you.

Meal

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

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Offering

The offering is for the Seminary Scholarship Fund of the Texas-Louisiana Gulf Coast Synod to support diaconal ministry candidates.

Motet

God be in my Head
John Rutter (b. 1945)

God be in my Head and in my understanding.

God be in mine eyes and in my looking.

God be in my mouth and in my speaking.

God be in mine heart and in my thinking.

God be at my end and in my departing.

stand

Setting the Table

The musical score is written on six staves of music in treble clef. The lyrics are: "We lift our voices, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to you: we are an offering. Lord, use our voices, Lord, use our hands, Lord, use our lives, they are yours: we are an offering. All that we have, all that we are, all that we hope to be, we give to you, we give to you. We lift our voices, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to you: we are an offering, we are an offering." The music features various rhythmic patterns, including eighth and sixteenth notes, and includes triplet markings (indicated by a '3' above the notes) on several staves.

We lift our voices, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to you: we are an
of-fer-ing. Lord, use our voices, Lord, use our hands, Lord, use our
lives, they are yours: we are an of-fer-ing. All that we have, all that we are,
all that we hope to be, we give to you, we give to you.
We lift our voices, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to you:
we are an of-fer-ing, we are an of-fer-ing.

Text: Dwight Liles, b. 1957
Music: Dwight Liles
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Offertory Prayer

Let us pray.

Liberating God,

you break the bonds of injustice

and let the oppressed go free.

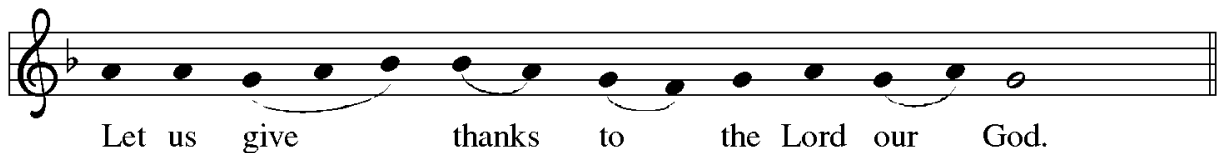
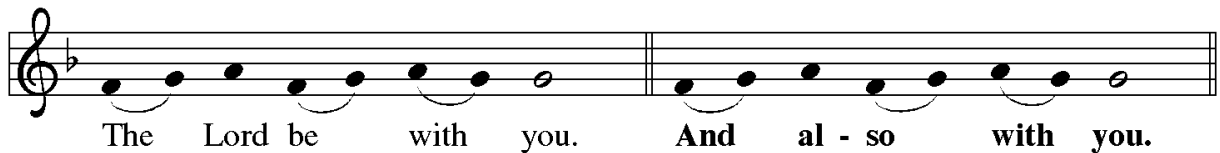
Receive these offerings in thanksgiving

for all your works of merciful power,

and shape us as people of your justice and freedom.

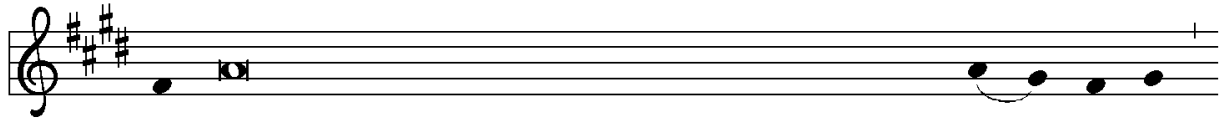
You who we magnify and adore, through Jesus our Savior, Amen

Great Thanksgiving

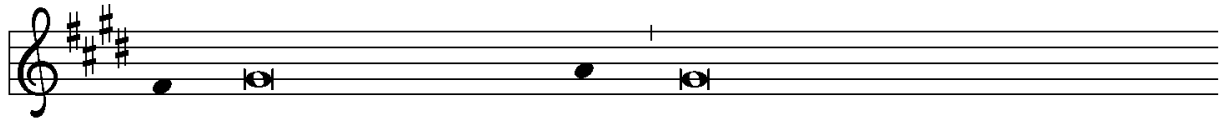




It is indeed right, our du - ty and our joy,



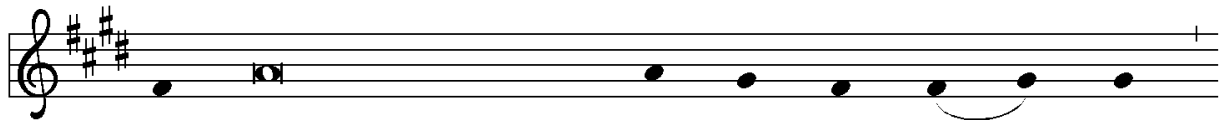
that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you,



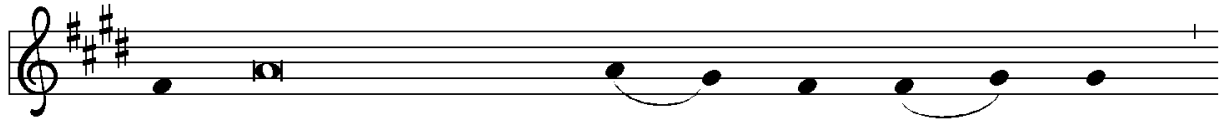
al - mighty and merciful God, for the glorious resurrection



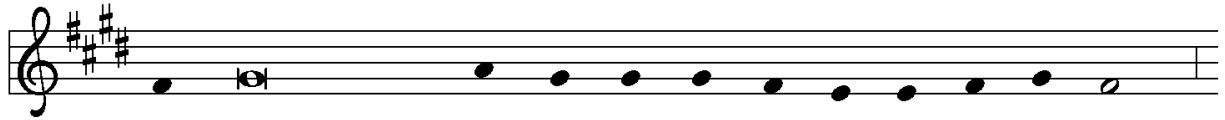
of our Sav - ior Je - sus Christ,



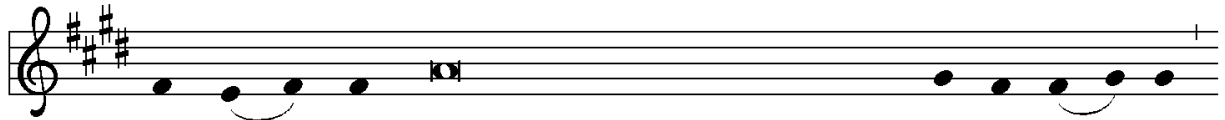
who after his resurrection sent forth the a - pos - tles



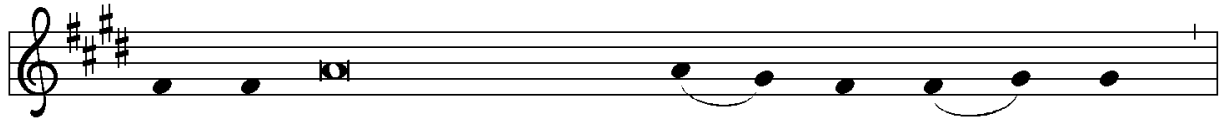
to preach the gospel and teach all na - tions,



and promised to be with them, e - ven to the end of the age.



And so, with (____ and) the glorious company of the a - pos - tles,



with the choirs of angels and the hosts of heav - en,



we praise your name and join their un - end - ing hymn:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and
 might, heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
 san - na in the high-est, 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.

The presiding minister continues in thanksgiving and intercession.

Thanks be to you, O God, for the power of your loving Spirit.
 We worship you for your Spirit, who brings life out of chaos and dust.
 We bless you for your Spirit, who ignites the words of the prophets.
 We praise you for your Spirit, who carries your people together in unity.

Glory be to you, O God, for the comfort of your creative Spirit.
 By your Spirit your Son preached and healed, rebuked and forgave.
 Dying on the cross for a wounded world, Christ gave over his Spirit.
 Rising from death, Christ pours out your Spirit on all who believe.

In the night in which he was betrayed,
 our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;

broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:

Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,

and gave it for all to drink, saying:

This cup is the new covenant in my blood,

shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

On this bread and wine,

Come, Holy Spirit.

Manifest here the body and blood of Christ,

Come, Holy Spirit.

On this assembly,

Come, Holy Spirit.

On Aimee,

Come, Holy Spirit.

On all who minister in your church,

Come, Holy Spirit.

On this earth, its waters and lands and skies,

Come, Holy Spirit.

On plants and animals, and even on the stars,

Come, Holy Spirit.

We plead for your Spirit, to cry aloud in us, with us, and for us.

Breathe your life into our bones,

Anoint us for service with your oil of gladness.

Translate our speech into tongues of wisdom.

Shower us with your gifts:

love, joy, peace, patience, kindness,
generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control.

Sanctify the whole earth with your truth.

Bring us at the end with all your needy children into your homeland of
mercy.

Once more we praise and worship and bless you,

God of supreme mercy and might,

God of the cross and the empty tomb,

God of the power of justice and peace,

Now and forever.

Amen.

Lord's Prayer

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.

Lamb of God

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you
take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.
Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Come. All has been prepared.

Taste and see that the Lord is good.

sit


Communion

All worshipers receive bread and cup at this time. Communing in only one kind, bread or wine, gives part in the full sacrament of the Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ.

The body of Christ, given for you. **Amen.**

The blood of Christ, shed for you. **Amen.**

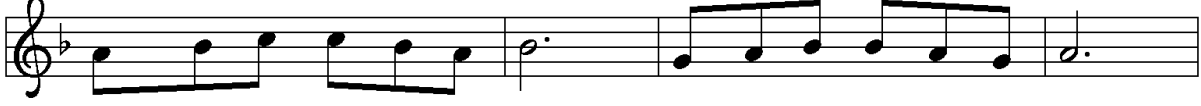
Refrain



Je - su, Je - su, fill us with your love, show




us how to serve the neigh-bors we have from you.



1 Kneels at the feet of his friends, si - lent - ly wash - es their feet,
 2 Neigh-bors are wealth-y and poor, var - ied in col - or and race,
 3 These are the ones we will serve, these are the ones we will love;
 4 Kneel at the feet of our friends, si - lent - ly wash - ing their feet:

Refrain



mas - ter who acts as a slave to them.
 neigh-bors are near - by and far a - way.
 all these are neigh-bors to us and you.
 this is the way we will live with you.

Text: Tom Colvin, 1925–2000, alt.

Music: CHEREPONI, Ghanaian folk tune, adapt. Tom Colvin

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1 "Will you come and fol - low me if I but call
 2 "Will you leave your - self be - hind if I but call
 3 "Will you let the blind - ed see if I but call
 4 "Will you love the you you hide if I but call
 5 Lord, your sum - mons ech - oes true when you but call



your name? Will you go where you don't
 your name? Will you care for cruel and
 your name? Will you set the pris - 'ners
 your name? Will you quell the fear in -
 my name. Let me turn and fol - low



know and nev - er be the same?
 kind and nev - er be the same?
 free and nev - er be the same?
 side and nev - er be the same?
 you and nev - er be the same.



Will you let my love be shown, will you let my
 Will you risk the hos - tile stare, should your life at -
 Will you kiss the lep - er clean, and do such as
 Will you use the faith you've found to re - shape the
 In your com - pa - ny I'll go where your love and



name be known, will you let my life be
 tract or scare? Will you let me an - swer
 this un - seen, and ad - mit to what I
 world a - round, through my sight and touch and
 foot - steps show. Thus I'll move and live and



grown in you and you in me?"
 pray'r in you and you in me?"
 mean in you and you in me?"
 sound in you and you in me?"
 grow in you and you in me.

stand

Communion Blessing

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **Amen.**

Canticle 204

Thankful hearts and voices raise



Thank-ful hearts and voic - es raise; tell ev-'ry-one what God has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re - joice and bear Christ's ho - ly name.



Send us with your prom - is - es and lead your peo - ple forth in joy with



shouts of thanks - giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

Text: John W. Arthur, 1922-1980

Music: Richard W. Hillert, b. 1923

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Sending

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

Prayer after Communion

We thank you, almighty and gracious God, that you have fed us with heavenly food, the body and blood of your Son, uniting us through Christ in the communion of the Holy Spirit. As you have again raised up among us faithful servants for the ministry of word and service, grant that we, with Aimee, may joyfully serve you all our days and finally rejoice in your glory; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

Blessing

The God of all,
who raised ✝ Jesus from the dead,
bless you by the power of the Holy Spirit
to live in the new creation.

Amen.

Sending Hymn 833

Oh, that I had a thousand voices

1 Oh, that I had a thou - sand voic - es to praise my
 2 Let ev - 'ry pow'r in me im - plant - ed a - rise, keep
 3 You for - est leaves so green and ten - der that dance for
 4 All crea - tures that have breath and mo - tion, that thron'g the
 5 Cre - a - tor, hum - bly I im - plore you to lis - ten

God with thou - sand tongues! My heart, which in the Lord re -
 si - lence now no more; put forth the strength that God has
 joy in sum - mer air, you mead - ow grass - es, bright and
 earth, the sea, the sky, come, share with me my heart's de -
 to my earth - ly song un - til that day when I a -

joic - es, would then pro - claim in grate - ful songs to all, wher -
 grant - ed! Your no - blest work is to a - dore! O soul and
 slen - der, you flow'rs so fra - grant and so fair, you live to
 vo - tion, help me to sing God's prais - es high! My ut - most
 dore you, when I will join the an - gel thron'g and raise to

ev - er I might be, what great things God has done for me!
 bod - y, join to raise with heart - felt joy your mak - er's praise!
 show forth praise a - lone. Join me to make God's glo - ry known!
 pow'rs can nev - er quite de - clare the won - ders of God's might!
 you with joy - ful cry ten thou - sand hal - le - lu - jahs high!

Dismissal

Filled with the Spirit's power, go to serve Christ in the world.

Thanks be to God.

Pealing of the Bells

Serving

God gives us gifts and talents so that we might serve.

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