

The Service of Commissioning, Recognizing, and Ordination

Saturday, June 15, 2013 2:30 p.m.

Note: All hymns and responsive readings will be projected on the screens.

* You are invited to stand.

PRELUDE AND PROCESSION OF CLERGY - 2:15 p.m.

ANTHEM

"I Will Exalt the Lord"

Chi Rho Singers

* PROCESSIONAL HYMN

"All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name"

* GREETING AND PRAYER

Bishop Jeremiah J. Park

Bishop: The grace of Jesus Christ be with you all.

All: And also with you.

Bishop: We come together to praise God, to hear the Holy Word, and to seek for ourselves and others the power, presence, and direction of the Holy Spirit. Let us pray together:

All: Eternal God, by Jesus Christ and the Holy Spirit you gave to your apostles many excellent gifts. Give your grace to all servants of your church, that we may with diligence and faithfulness fulfill our various ministries. Grant that we your people may follow where you lead, perfect our ministries, and live in joyful obedience to your will, through Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.

* HYMN

"Welcome"

* RECOGNITION OF OUR COMMON MINISTRY

Bishop: Ministry is the work of God, done by the people of God.

Through baptism all Christians are made part of the priesthood of all believers, the church, Christ's body, made visible in the world.

We all share in Christ's ministry of love and service for the redemption of the human family and the whole of creation.

Therefore, in celebration of our common ministry, I call upon all God's people gathered here: Remember your baptism and be thankful.

All: We remember our baptism and affirm our common ministry.

PRESENTATION OF PERSONS TO BE COMMISSIONED OR ORDAINED

Mr. John Konieczny, Conference Lay Leader

Rev. Marian Hartman, Chair, Board of Ordained Ministry

Rev. Jane Pykus, Elder Registrar

Rev. Joan Dodson, Local Pastor Registrar

(The Bishop address the congregation)

Bishop: We ask you, people of God, to declare your assent to the commissioning, recognition, or ordination of these persons.

Do you trust that they are worthy, by God's grace, to be commissioned, ordained, or recognized?

All: We do! Thanks be to God!

Bishop: Will you uphold them in their ministry?

All: With God's help, we will!

* HYMN

"Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore"

THE GENERAL EXAMINATION

ANTHEM

"He Chose Me"

Nathan Trimmer, Soloist

Tom Fettke

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

INTRODUCTION AND GREETING

Bishop Neil L. Irons

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Genesis 12:1-3

Rev. Marian Hartman

THE EXAMINATION OF PERSONS BEING COMMISSIONED

Please pray in silence for these individuals while they are being commissioned.

THE PRAYER OF COMMISSIONING WITH LAYING ON OF HANDS

* ANTHEM

"Go Labor On"

Chi Rho Singers

RECOGNITION OF ASSOCIATE MEMBER

* HYMN

"Lord Speak to Me"

THE EPISTLE READING

2 Peter 1:3-11

Rev. Dr. Thomas L. Salsgiver

*THE GOSPEL READING

Matthew 26:26-28

Mr. John Konieczny

THE SERMON

"Taken and Blessed"

Bishop Jeremiah J. Park

INTRODUCTION OF THE OFFERING

Rev. Robert Visscher

Executive Director, Mission Central

The offering today will benefit Mission Central

THE OFFERTORY

"You Are So Good To Me"

* THE DOXOLOGY

"Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow"

THE PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Rev. Robert Visscher

Executive Director, Mission Central

ANTHEM

"Reach the World"

Nathan Trimmer, Soloist

Richard Kingsmore

EXAMINATION OF THE ELDERS

* INVOCATION OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

"Lord, You Give the Great Commission" (v. 1,2,5)

PRAYER FOR THE ELDERS WITH LAYING ON OF HANDS

PRESENTATION OF THE ELDERS

* HYMN

"Pass It On"

THE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Bishop: Let us pray together:

All: We thank you, gracious God, for raising up among us faithful servants. Clothe them with your righteousness, and grant that we, with them, may glorify you by giving ourselves to others. Amen.

THE CALL

Bishop Jereimah J. Park

*HYMN

"Here I Am, Lord"

* DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

Bishop: The grace of Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all always.
Go in peace to serve God and your neighbor in all that you do.

All: We are sent in Christ's name. Thanks be to God!

* THE RECESSIONAL HYMN

"Lift High the Cross"

* GOING FORTH

POSTLUDE

"Tocatta fom Symphony V"

C. M. Widor

THE CANDIDATES TO BE COMMISSIONED

Luke T. Harbaugh was born in York, Pennsylvania. He is a graduate of Red Lion Area Senior High School, Red Lion, Pennsylvania; Millersville University; and Duke University Divinity School. Luke is recommended by Zion United Methodist Church, York, York District, and will serve First United Methodist Church, Hershey, Harrisburg District, as the associate pastor beginning July 1, 2013.

Janice F. Hughes was born in Altoona, Pennsylvania. She is married to Rev. Kevin E. Hughes and is the mother of Heather Dreese and Matt Hughes. She graduated from Central Bucks West High School, Doylestown, Pennsylvania; Millersville University; and Wesley Theological Seminary. Janice is recommended by Messiah United Methodist Church, Shippensburg, and is currently serving Middlesex United Methodist Church, Harrisburg District.

Stephen Paul Salisbury was born in Coudersport, Pennsylvania. He is married to Heather Salisbury and is the father of Johanna. He is a graduate of Red Lion Area Senior High School, Red Lion, Pennsylvania; Lebanon Valley College; and Duke Divinity School. Stephen is recommended by Bethany United Methodist Church, Red Lion, Pennsylvania, and is currently serving Breezewood United Methodist Charge, Altoona District.

Elizabeth R. Taylor was born in Muncy, Pennsylvania. She is married to Andrew Taylor and is the mother of Isaac. She graduated from Montgomery Area High School, Montgomery, Pennsylvania; Mansfield University; and Drew Theological School. Elizabeth is recommended by St. John's United Methodist Church, Elimsport, and is currently serving Mardorf and Broad Avenue United Methodist Churches, Altoona District.

THE ASSOCIATE MEMBERS

Brian L. Lucas was born in Peckville, Pennsylvania. He is married to Susan and is the father of Christopher. He graduated from Valley View High School, Archbald, Pennsylvania, and the University of Scranton. He has completed the Course of Study at Wesley Theological Seminary. Brian is recommended by Peckville United Methodist Church and is currently serving Paxtonville United Methodist Church, Lewisburg District.

THE ELDER CANDIDATES

Michelle Rene Bodle was born in Clearfield, Pennsylvania. She graduated from Clearfield Area High School, Clearfield, Pennsylvania; Houghton College; and Drew Theological Seminary. Michelle is recommended by West Side United Methodist Church, Altoona District, and is currently serving Roseville/Mainesburg United Methodist Parish, Williamsport District.

Julia Agnes (Glunt) Piper was born in McConnellsburg, Pennsylvania. She is married to Jeffrey Piper and is the mother of Jayme, Jason, and James. She is a graduate of Centre Business School; Lock Haven University; and Wesley Theological Seminary. Julia is recommended by Messiah United Methodist Church, Shippensburg, and is currently serving Mount Union-Allenport United Methodist Parish, Altoona District.

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