

# Ordination and Commissioning

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# Gathering the Community

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# Singing Together - *Your Spirit*

*Chorus:*

Not by might, Not by power

By your spirit God, Send your spirit God

*(repeat)*

You are the fire, we are the temple  
You are the voice, we are your song  
You are our God, we are your people  
You are the light, we stand in awe

We stand in awe of you  
We stand in awe of you

*Chorus:*

Not by might, Not by power

By your spirit God, Send your spirit God

*(repeat)*

You called us out, out of the darkness  
Into your love, Into your light  
Grace upon grace, beauty for ashes  
You come to us, we come alive

We stand in awe of you  
We stand in awe of you

*Chorus:*

Not by might, Not by power

By your spirit God, Send your spirit God

*(repeat)*

Breathe, come and breathe on us.  
Spirit breathe, come and breathe on us.  
(repeat)

We stand in awe of you  
We stand in awe of you

*Chorus:*

Not by might, Not by power

By your spirit God, Send your spirit God

*(repeat)*

# A Story of Sankofa

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# The Procession

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**Singing Together**  
***Praise, Praise, Praise, Praise the Lord***  
**Cameroon Processional Song**

*Part 1:*

Praise, praise, praise the Lord

Praise God's holy name, hallelujah (2xs)

*Part 2:*

Praise God's holy name, hallelujah

Praise God's holy name, hallelujah (2xs)

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# *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty*

**Praise to the Lord, the Almighty,  
the God of creation!**

**O my soul, praise the one who is your  
health and salvation!**

**Come, all who hear; now to God's  
temple draw near,  
Joining in glad adoration.**

**Praise to the Lord, who will  
nourish your life and restore you.  
Fitting you well for the work  
that is ever before you.**

Then to your need,  
God, as a mother does speed,  
Spreading the wings of grace o'er you.

**Praise to the Lord, who will  
prosper your work and defend you;  
Surely God's goodness and mercy  
shall daily attend you.**

**Ponder anew what the Almighty can do  
Who with great love does befriend you.**

# Greeting and Prayer

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

**People:** 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.

**All People: 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.**

**All: 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.**

# Ecumenical Guest

## Bishop Wayne N. Miller

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# Singing Together – Praise, Praise, Praise the Lord

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# The Sacrament of Holy Baptism

## The Baptism of Brielle Somang Lee

Rev. Esther and John Lee, parents  
Pastor Dan and Stacey Lee, sponsors

## The Baptism of Landen Scott Paul Garcea

Rev. Tiffany and Rev. Joseph Garcea, parents  
Rev. Mary and Andrew Bohall, sponsors

# Presentation of the Children

## Renunciation of Sin and Profession of Faith

*Since the earliest times, the vows of Christian baptism have consisted first of the renunciation of all that is evil and then the profession of faith and loyalty to Christ.*

# Thanksgiving Over the Water

Bishop: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

The Bishop:

Let us pray.

Eternal One, when nothing existed but chaos, you swept across the dark waters and brought forth light. In the days of Noah you saved those on the ark through water. After the flood you set in the clouds a rainbow. When you saw your people as slaves in Egypt, you led them to freedom through the sea.

Their children you brought through the Jordan to the land which you promised.

**All People: Sing to the Lord, all the earth.  
Tell of God's mercy each day.**

The Bishop:

In the fullness of time you sent Jesus,  
nurtured in the water of a womb.

He was baptized by John and anointed by your  
Spirit.

He called his disciples to share in the baptism  
of his death and resurrection  
and to make disciples of all nations.

**All People: Declare Christ's works to the  
nations,  
his glory among all the people.**

The Bishop:

Pour out your Holy Spirit,  
to bless this gift of water and those who  
receive it,  
to wash away their sin and clothe them in  
righteousness throughout their lives ,  
that, dying and being raised with Christ, they  
may share in his final victory.

**All People: All praise to you, Eternal One,  
through your Son Jesus Christ,  
who with you and the Holy Spirit,  
lives and reigns forever.  
Amen.**

# Baptism with Laying On of Hands

## Commendation and Welcome

Bishop: Members of the household of God,  
I commend these persons to your love and care.  
Do all in your power to increase their faith,  
confirm their hope, and perfect them in love.

**All People: We give thanks for all that God has already given you and we welcome you in Christian love.**

**All People:** As members together with you in the body of Christ and the Northern Illinois Conference of The United Methodist Church, we renew our covenant to faithfully participate in the ministries of the Church by our prayers, our presence, our gifts, our service and our witness, that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ.

**Bishop:** The God of all grace,  
who has called us to eternal glory in Christ,  
establish you and strengthen you  
by the power of the Holy Spirit,  
that you may live in grace and peace.

# 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.

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

**People:** We remember our baptism  
and affirm our common ministry.

# *Song of Celebration - Take, O Take Me as I Am*

Take, O take me as I am.  
Summon out what I shall be.  
Set your seal upon my heart  
and live in me.

# The Historic Questions

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The Ordinands: With God's grace active in our lives and ministry, we commit ourselves to this way of life, walking with one another toward the Kin-dom of God which we are called to create.

The Bishop:

Celebrating the common ministry in which we share, I ask of all who have gathered here, will you re-commit yourself to the beauty and struggle, the mess and wonder of the life which we share together? Will you work together in your words and actions, in your hopes and dreams, to be a people who transform the world through your doing and being?

**All People:** With the grace of God to guide us, we covenant together now to follow the way of Christ with these whom God has called before us today, a people who live together in unity and diversity, with love and humility, toward the Kin-dom of God.

**We recommit to lives of prayer for  
and with one another, to be quick  
to forgive and slow to condemn,  
as we walk together in faith.**

# Singing Together

## *Praise, Praise, Praise the Lord*

***Part 1:*** Praise, praise, praise the Lord  
Praise God's holy name, hallelujah (2xs)

***Part 2:*** Praise God's holy name, hallelujah  
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# Presentation of Persons To Be Commissioned and Ordained

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We present these persons to be commissioned  
for the work of a deacon:

**Elizabeth L. Evans**

**Christine Horeis Hides**

**Annie A. Lockhart-Gilroy**

**Grant Tyler Swanson**

We present these persons to be commissioned  
for the work of a elder:

**Violet Johnicker**  
**Sun-Ah Kang**

We present these persons to be  
ordained deacons:

**M Barclay**  
**Patricia Bonilla**

We present these persons to be ordained elders:

**Tiffany Lyn Garcea**

**Hyewon Sophia Hyon**

**Leanne J. Keate**

**Krista Paradiso**

**Mark Jeffrey Schol**

**Ashish Emmanuel Singh**

**Ran Yoo**

## The Bishop:

These persons are by God's grace to be ordained or commissioned for set apart ministry in Christ's Holy Church.

Those authorized by the Church to inquire about them have discerned that they are persons of sound learning and of Christian character, possess the necessary signs of God's grace, and have demonstrated a profound commitment to serve Jesus Christ.

Therefore, they believe them to be duly called to serve God.

The Bishop:

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

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

**The People: We do! Thanks be to God**

**The Bishop: Will you uphold them in their ministry?**

**The People: With God's help, we will.**

# The General Examination

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## Singing Together

### *God, Be the Love to Search and Keep Me*

**God, be the love to search and keep me;**

**God, be the prayer to move my voice;**

**God, be the strength to now uphold me:**

**O Christ, surround me; O Christ, surround me.**

**Bind to myself the Name of Holy,  
Great cloud of witnesses enfold;  
Prophets, apostles, angels witness:  
O Christ, surround me; O Christ, surround me.**

**Brightness of sun and glow of moonlight,  
Flashing of lightning, strength of wind,  
Depth of the sea to soil of planet:  
O Christ, surround me; O Christ, surround me.**

**Walking behind to hem my journey,  
Going ahead to light my way,  
And from beneath, above, and all ways:  
O Christ, surround me; O Christ, surround me.**

**Christ in the eyes of all who see me,  
Christ in the ears that hear my voice,  
Christ in the hearts of all who know me  
O Christ, surround me; O Christ, surround me.**

# The Examination of Persons Being Commissioned

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# The Examination of Persons Being Commissioned

## The Prayer of Commissioning with the Laying on of Hands

## Welcoming Those Commissioned

# Singing Together

## *Praise, Praise, Praise the Lord*

*Part 1:* **Praise, praise, praise the Lord**  
**Praise God's holy name, hallelujah (2xs)**

*Part 2:* **Praise God's holy name, hallelujah**  
**Praise God's holy name, hallelujah (2xs)**

# The Word Proclaimed

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# 1 Timothy 4:7b-16

Train yourself for a holy life! While physical training has some value, training in holy living is useful for everything. It has promise for this life now and the life to come. This saying is reliable and deserves complete acceptance.

We work and struggle for this: “Our hope is set on the living God, who is the savior of all people, especially those who believe.” Command these things. Teach them. Don’t let anyone look down on you because you are young. Instead, set an example for the believers through your speech, behavior, love, faith, and by being sexually pure.

Until I arrive, pay attention to public reading, preaching, and teaching. Don't neglect the spiritual gift in you that was given through prophecy when the elders laid hands on you. Practice these things, and live by them so that your progress will be visible to all.

Focus on working on your own development and on what you teach. If you do this, you will save yourself and those who hear you.

# Sermon

## *Take Off Your Coat...and Light A Fire*

Bishop Sally Dyck

# Invitation to the Offering

*The offerings given today will support of the  
Northern Illinois Annual Conference  
Board of Ordained Ministry through the  
Ministerial Educational Fund.*

# Prayer for the Offering

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# Offertory

## *Holy Ground* - The Many

**Sometimes we don't know why  
But we're looking for  
something more  
Even when we've closed our eyes  
Looking for what we cannot hold  
Cannot fully know.**

**For all that's holy, holy, holy.**

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Your holiness is all around  
Even when faith can't be found  
We find ourselves on holy  
ground...holy ground. *(repeat)*

Right now in our groans and sighs  
Looking for what can heal our hearts  
It is a mystery why  
You're always where the hurting are  
Right here where we are

**For all that's holy, holy, holy.**

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**Your holiness is all around  
Even when faith can't be found  
We find ourselves on holy ground...  
holy ground. *(repeat)***

**Where we are, you are there  
Nothing can separate us from your love**

**When we look, we will find  
Nothing can separate us from your love.**

**Nothing can separate us from your love.**  
*(sing 3xs)*

**Your holiness is all around  
Even when faith can't be found  
We find ourselves on holy ground...  
holy ground. *(repeat)***

**Holy, holy, holy**

# Examination of Deacons and Elders

## Laying on of Hands and Prayer for the Ordinands

# Singing Together - *Jesu, Tawa Pano*

*Shona:* Jesu, tawa pano (3xs)  
Tawa pano, mu zita renyu

*English:* Jesus, we are here (3xs)  
Jesus, we are here for you

## Laying on of Hands

# Singing Together

## *Praise, Praise, Praise the Lord*

***Part 1:*** Praise, praise, praise the Lord  
Praise God's holy name, hallelujah (2xs)

***Part 2:*** Praise God's holy name, hallelujah  
Praise God's holy name, hallelujah (2xs)

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# Sacrament of Holy Communion

## Invitation to the Table

# Confession

Oh God, we confess that we have tried to hide from your hope for creation ...

... We have failed to envision our future as your beloved community, reconciled by your healing grace.

**All People:** For our actions of the past,  
we ask for your healing grace,  
For our actions in the present, we pray  
to be moved from our apathy,  
And for our actions in the future,  
we offer ourselves to be led by your  
spirit of Shalom.

## Assurance

# Singing Together - *All Belong Here* – The Many

When you're not sure who you really are  
When all you feel is the shape of your scars  
And you have more wounds than you can count  
Open your eyes, look all around  
You aren't alone, this is your home

# *Chorus*

Come and remember who you are here  
Do this to remember who I am  
Come and remember you belong here  
All belong here

When you don't know how to forgive  
When locked doors seem like the only way to live  
And you've got more questions than you can count  
Open your eyes, look all around  
You aren't alone, this is your home

# *Chorus*

Come and remember who you are here  
Do this to remember who I am  
Come and remember you belong here  
All belong here

At this table, come as you are,  
broken and bleeding's okay  
At this table, eat and be filled.  
Come and drink in this grace.

# *Chorus*

Come and remember who you are here  
Do this to remember who I am  
Come and remember you belong here  
All belong here

# The Great Thanksgiving

Leader: The Lord be with you,

**People: And also with you.**

Leader: People of God, lift up your hearts to God.

**People: We lift them up to the One who heals  
our brokenness.**

**Leader:** Let us offer our thanks to God who sets this table before us.

**People:** Our voices will sing a new song of hope and our spirits will dance together to the drumbeat of God's justice.

... And so, believing that you have reached out and called us to service with you, and touched our lips with a new story of hope, we join our voices with those who, in every time and in every place sing of your ways forever:

**All: Holy, holy, holy One,  
God of our every moment  
All creation sings of its hope in you.  
Hosanna in the highest!  
Blessed is the One who came  
as your love embodied.  
Hosanna in the highest!**

Sacred is your presence and blessed is Christ  
with us . . . .

. . . . And so, in remembrance of Christ with us,  
as we would open our hearts to the Spirit, as  
we would welcome the peace and power, as we  
seek to live as disciples of Love and Courage,  
we tell of that mystery that we call faith:

**All: Christ has died;  
Christ has risen;  
Christ will come again.**

# Giving and Receiving of the Elements

# Music for Communion

*We are the Broken Body of Christ*

We are the wandering

We are the seeking

We are the ones left out to dry

We are the bleeding,

Our hearts are weeping

We are the broken body of Christ

*Chorus:*

And when we eat, we are fed  
The love that God has given  
And when we drink, we take it in  
This love, this earthly heaven.

We are the thirsty  
Looking for mercy,  
We have all been kicked aside  
We are the stumbling,  
Our hands are fumbling  
We are the broken body of Christ.

*Chorus:*

And when we eat, we are fed  
The love that God has given  
And when we drink, we take it in  
This love, this earthly heaven.

*Bridge:*

We are loved just as we are

Taste and see, loved as we are

Beautifully different, loved as we are

Just as we are.

*(repeat)*

*Chorus:*

And when we eat, we are fed  
The love that God has given  
And when we drink, we take it in  
This love, this earthly heaven.

We are the wandering  
We are the seeking  
We are the broken body of Christ

# Blessing and Benediction

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# Recessional Hymn

## *Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above*

**Sing praise to God who reigns above  
the God of all creation,  
the God of power, the God of love,  
The God of our salvation.  
with healing balm my soul is filled  
and every grief is gently stilled:  
to God all praise and glory!**

**The Lord is never far away,  
but through all grief distressing,  
an ever-present help and stay,  
our peace, and joy, and blessing;  
as with a mother's tender hand  
God gently leads the chosen band:  
to God all praise and glory!**

**Thus all my toilsome way along  
I sing aloud your praises,  
that all may hear the grateful song  
my voice unwearied raises.  
Be joyful in the Lord, my heart;  
both soul and body, take your part:  
to God all praise and glory!**

**Let all who name Christ's holy name  
give God all praise and glory.  
Let all who own God's power proclaim  
aloud the wondrous story.  
Case each false idol from its throne,  
for Christ is Lord, and Christ alone:  
To God all praise and glory.**

**Dismissal**

**Postlude**

# Let It Rise

Let the glory of the Lord rise among us  
Let the glory of the Lord rise among us  
Let the praises of our God rise among us  
Let it rise.

**Let the songs of the Lord rise among us  
Let the songs of the Lord rise among us  
Let the joy of our God rise among us  
Let it rise.**

**Oh, let it rise. Oh let it rise.**

**Let the wonder of creation rise among us  
Let the wonder of creation rise among us  
Let the beauty of all people rise among us  
Let it rise.**

**Let the voice of the silenced rise among us  
Let the voice of the silenced rise among us  
Let the sound of their song rise among us  
Let it rise.**

**Oh, let it rise. Oh, let it rise.**

**Let the glory of the Lord rise among us  
Let the glory of the Lord rise among us  
Let the praises of our God rise among us  
Let it rise.**

**Oh, let it rise. Oh, let it rise.**

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