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# **Pastor Installation**

March 16, 2025 2:00pm

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#### **GATHERING**

#### **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

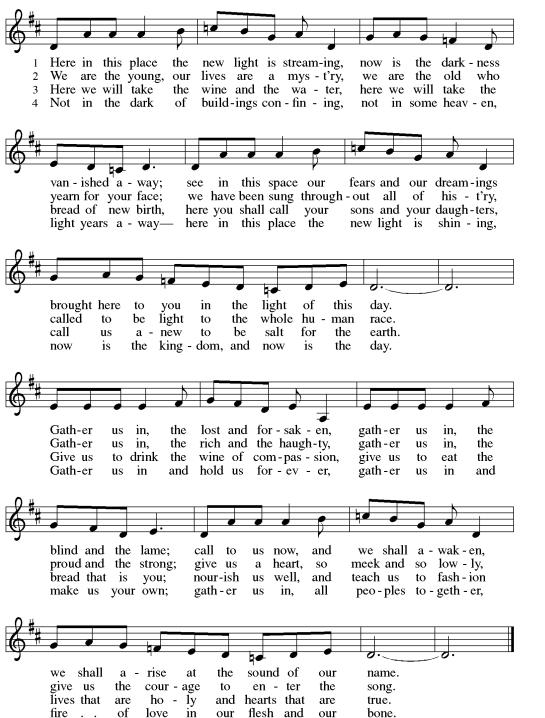
- P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever. **Amen.**
- P: Let us return to God, confessing our sin in the assurance of God's abiding love.

#### Pause for silent reflection

- P: Compassionate God, you are slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love, but our lives do not always reflect you and your love for the world. We do not show others the tender compassion you have shown to us. We do not welcome others with the radical hospitality you grant to all people. We oppress others, even though you have set us free again and again. We squander the abundant gifts of the earth. Transform our lives and guide us again in the way of the cross. Amen.
- P: Beloved in Christ, God's arms are always stretched open wide to welcome the wandering ones home. In + Christ your sins are forgiven. You have a place in God's house forever. **Amen.**

# GATHERING HYMN "Gather Us In"

**ELW 532** 



#### **GREETING**

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

#### **KYRIE**



#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray. God of the covenant,

C: in the mystery of the cross you promise everlasting life to the world. Gather all peoples into your arms, and shelter us with

your mercy, that we may rejoice in the life we share in your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

# **WORD**

#### FIRST READING: Micah 6:6-8

L: <sup>6</sup> "With what shall I come before the LORD and bow myself before God on high? Shall I come before him with burnt offerings, with calves a year old? <sup>7</sup> Will the LORD be pleased with thousands of rams, with ten thousands of rivers of oil? Shall I give my firstborn for my transgression, the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?"

You have been told, O mortal, what is good, and what the LORD requires of you: Only to do justice and to love goodness and to walk humbly with your God.

L: The word of the Lord. C: Thanks be to God.

# **PSALM:** Psalm 145:1-9(read responsively by verses)

- <sup>1</sup> I will exalt you, my God and king, and bless your name forever and ever.
- <sup>2</sup> Every day will I bless you and praise your name forever and ever.
- <sup>3</sup> Great is the LORD and greatly to be praised! There is no end to your greatness.
- <sup>4</sup>One generation shall praise your works to another and shall declare your power.
- <sup>5</sup> I will speak of the glorious splendor of your majesty and all your marvelous works.
- <sup>6</sup> They shall tell of the might of your wondrous acts, and I will recount your greatness.
- <sup>7</sup>They shall publish the remembrance of your great goodness; they shall sing joyfully of your righteousness.
- <sup>8</sup>The LORD is gracious and full of compassion, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.
- <sup>9</sup> LORD, you are good to all, and your compassion is over all your works.

### **SECOND READING: Romans 8:28-39**

L: A reading from Romans. <sup>28</sup> We know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose. <sup>29</sup> For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to

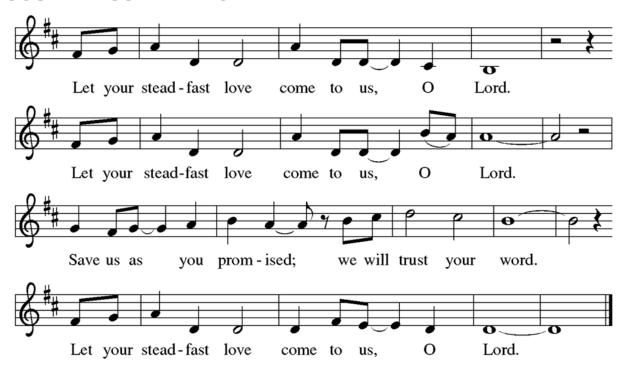
the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn within a large family. <sup>30</sup> And those whom he predestined he also called, and those whom he called he also justified, and those whom he justified he also glorified.

<sup>31</sup> What then are we to say about these things? If God is for us, who is against us? <sup>32</sup> He who did not withhold his own Son but gave him up for all of us, how will he not with him also give us everything else? <sup>33</sup> Who will bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. <sup>34</sup> Who is to condemn? It is Christ who died, or rather, who was raised, who is also at the right hand of God, who also intercedes for us. <sup>35</sup> Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will affliction or distress or persecution or famine or nakedness or peril or sword? <sup>36</sup> As it is written, "For your sake we are being killed all day long; we are accounted as sheep to be slaughtered."

<sup>37</sup> No, in all these things we are more than victorious through him who loved us. <sup>38</sup> For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, <sup>39</sup> nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

L: The word of the Lord. C: Thanks be to God.

#### THE GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



#### **GOSPEL READING: Luke 1:46-55**

- P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke. C: Glory to you, O Lord.
- *P:* <sup>46</sup> And Mary said, "My soul magnifies the Lord, <sup>47</sup> and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior, <sup>48</sup> for he has looked with favor on the lowly state of his servant.

Surely from now on all generations will call me blessed, <sup>49</sup> for the Mighty One has done great things for me, and holy is his name; <sup>50</sup> indeed, his mercy is for those who fear him from generation to generation.

<sup>51</sup> He has shown strength with his arm; he has scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts. <sup>52</sup> He has brought down the powerful from their thrones and lifted up the lowly; <sup>53</sup> he has filled the hungry with good things and sent the rich away empty.

<sup>54</sup>He has come to the aid of his child Israel, in remembrance of his mercy, <sup>55</sup> according to the promise he made to our ancestors, to Abraham and to his descendants forever." *P: The Gospel of the Lord.* **C: Praise to you, O Christ.** 

**MESSAGE:** 

**Pastor, Derk Hoven** 



#### **HYMN OF THE DAY**

all

all

are wel-come,

#### "All Are Welcome" **ELW 641** Let us build a house where love can dwell and all can safe - ly build Let us a house where proph-ets speak, and words are strong and Let us build a house where love is found in wa - ter, wine and Let us a house where hands will reach be - youd the wood and build 5 Let us are named, their songs and vi - sions build a house where all chil live. place where saints and dren tell how a all God's chil - dren dare true, where to seek to wheat: ban quet hall on ho 1y ground where stone to heal and strength - en, serve and teach, and loved trea - sured, taught heard and and and claimed as give. Built of and dreams and hearts learn to for hopes dream God's reign Here the cross stand a new. shall as jus - tice Here the and meet. love of God, through peace Word they've known. Here the the and the live out cast words with - in Built of the Word. cries and tears and vi - sions, rock of faith and vault of grace; here the love of wit - ness and sym bol of God's grace; here as as one we we share Je - sus, is re - vealed in time and as in space; of God's us bring strang-er bear the im age face; let laugh-ter, prayers of faith and songs of grace, let this house pro-Refrain Christ shall end di vi sions: claim the faith of Je sus: Christ the feast that frees All are wel - come, us: end to fear and dan ger: claim from floor ter: to raf

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#### THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth. 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. 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. Amen.

# INSTALLATION OF REV. DR. JOANN HEANEY-HUNTER AS PASTOR, SHEPHERD OF THE HILLS

The assembly stands. Pr. Joann and Joe Montfort, Council President from Shepherd of the Hills come before the presiding minister and the assembly.

**P.** Having been authorized by the church to install **Rev. Dr. Joann Catherine Heaney-Hunter** our co-worker in the gospel, as **pastor**, I now ask for certification of this call.

Council President addresses the presiding minister.

After prayerful deliberation, we, of **Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church** have called **Rev. Dr. Joann Heaney-Hunter** as a minister of word and sacrament in the position of **pastor.** 

I present **Pastor Joann** and this letter certifying the call.

Council President gives presiding minister a letter certifying that the call

has been received and accepted. The representative moves aside, and assembly is seated.

# **Address and Questions**

- **P.** A reading from John: Jesus said, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you. Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained." (John 20:21-23)
- **P.** A reading from Matthew: Jesus said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age." (Matthew 28:18-20)
- **P.** A reading from First Timothy: Set the believers an example in speech and conduct, in love, in faith, in purity. Attend to the public reading of scripture, to exhorting, to teaching. Do not neglect the gift that is in you, which was given to you through prophecy with the laying on of hands by the council of elders. Put these things into practice, devote yourself to them, so that all may see your progress. Pay close attention to yourself and to your teaching; continue in these things, for in doing this you will save both yourself and your hearers. (1 Timothy 4:12-16)
- **P. Pastor Joann,** in the presence of this assembly will you commit yourself to this new trust and responsibility, in the confidence that it comes from God through the call of the church? **Pr. Joann: I will, and I ask God to help me.**

Will you preach and teach in accordance with the holy scriptures and with the confessions of the Lutheran church? Will you carry out this ministry in harmony with the constitutions of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America? **Pr. Joann: 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? **Pr. Joann: I will, and I ask God to help me.** 

Trusting in God's care, will you love, serve, and pray for God's people, nourish them with the word and sacraments and lead them by your own example in faithful service and holy living? **Pr. Joann: I will, and I ask God to help me.** 

Will you give faithful witness in the world, that God's love may be known in all that you do? **Pr. Joann: 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.** 

The assembly stands.

- **P.** People of God, will you receive **Pastor Joann Heaney-Hunter** as a messenger of Jesus Christ sent to serve all people with the gospel of hope and salvation? **We will, and we ask God to help us.**
- **P.** Will you regard **Pastor Joann** as a servant of Christ and a steward of the mysteries of God? **We will, and we ask God to help us.**
- P. Will you pray for Pastor Joann? Will you help and honor Pastor Joann 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.
- **P. Pastor Joann,** the office of pastor is now committed to you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

#### **BLESSING**

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.** 

#### PROCESSION TO PLACES OF WORD AND SACRAMENT

The presiding minister escorts the pastor to the place of baptism.

**Congregation leader:** You have been called to be among us to baptize, to teach, and to forgive sins.

They proceed to the place of the word.

**Congregation leader:** You have been called to be among us to proclaim the good news.

They proceed to the place of the meal.

**Congregation leader:** You have been called to be among us to preside at the Lord's supper.

P. People of God, I present to you Rev. Dr. Joann Heaney-Hunter, your pastor. Let us welcome Pastor Joann in the name of Christ.

#### **PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

Led by the Spirit, let us turn to God in prayer for the church, the world, and all those in need. Holy God, you long to gather your church under your wings. Bless the churches of the world, that your people may take heart and stand firm as they witness and minister in your name. God, in your mercy, **receive our prayer.** 

Holy God, you give shelter to all living things. Strengthen the voice of prophets who call humanity to faithful care for the planet, that they would not be silenced but heeded as your messengers. God, in your mercy, receive our prayer.

Holy God, you have given us Pastor Joann to help us in our journey of faith. Guide her and all faith leaders to work for justice and safeguard the world for future generations. God, in your mercy, **receive our prayer.** 

Holy God, you have called us as a community of faith. Support us in our journey toward you. Help us reach out to those in need. Give us the strength to spread your light and hope throughout the world. God, in your mercy, **receive our prayer.** 

Holy God, you are the stronghold of our life. Care tenderly for those who are ill in body or mind, and for people living in fear or need. May all know they are not alone. God, in your mercy, **receive our prayer.** 

Holy God, you are our light and our salvation. We give thanks for the saints who have gone before us. Help us to trust in you as they did and to live according to their example. God, in your mercy, **receive our prayer.** 

Receive the prayers of your people and draw all things together in your love, in the name of Jesus, who leads us from death to life. **Amen.** 

#### **PEACE**

The peace of Christ be with you always. And also with you. We share Christ's peace with each other.

# **MEAL**

### \*OFFERING/OFFERTORY

# Offering Hymn:

"My Life Flows On in Endless Song"

**ELW 763** 



- My life flows on in end less song; a bove earth's lam-en ta tion,
- Through all the tu mult and the strife, I hear that mu-sic ring ing.
  What though my joys and com-forts die? The Lord my Sav-ior liv eth.
- The peace of Christ makes fresh my heart, a foun-tain ev-er spring-ing!



I catch the sweet, though far-off hymn that hails a new cre - a - tion. It finds an ech - o in my soul. How can I keep from sing-ing? What though the dark - ness gath-er round? Songs in the night he giv - eth. All things are mine since I am his! How can I keep from sing-ing?



No storm can shake my in-most calm while to that Rock I'm cling-ing.



Since Christ is Lord of heav-en and earth,how can I keep from sing-ing?

#### OFFERING PRAYER

A: Let us pray Gracious Provider, you set your immense treasures among us, opening your heart to the world. As we prepare to feast on your bountiful love, deepen our commitment to sharing those treasures with others, through our Savior, Jesus Christ. **C: Amen.** 

#### GREAT THANKSGIVING

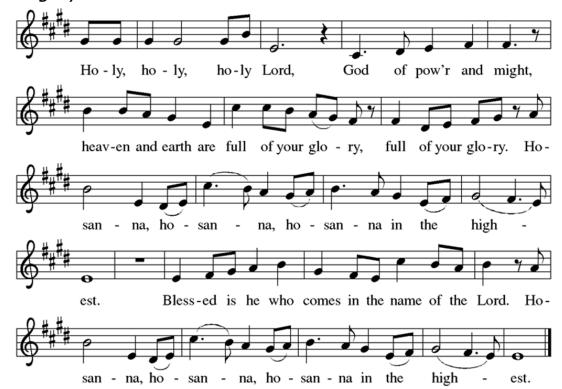
#### **DIALOGUE**

P: The Lord be with you. C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts. C: We lift them to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. C: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through the great shepherd of your flock, our Savior Jesus Christ; who after his resurrection sent forth the apostles to preach the gospel and teach all nations, and promised to be with them, even to the end of the age. And so, with the glorious company of the apostles, with the choirs of angels and all the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



#### THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

P: You are indeed holy, almighty and merciful God.....

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

C: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

#### \* THE LORD'S PRAYER

P: Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

C: Our Father, who art in heaven......

#### \*INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P: All who are hungry, come! The feast of grace is spread.

#### THE DISTRIBUTION

All Baptized Christians are welcome at our Lord's Table. Please come forward and extend an open hand, palm up, if you wish to receive the bread and wine. Grape juice is offered on the Pastor's left.

If you are not baptized or are waiting for your first communion, please come forward for a blessing. You may cross your arms across your chest or fold your hands together to indicate you wish to receive a blessing.

#### **COMMUNION HYMNS**

"Lamb of God"
"Here I Am, Lord"
"Christ Be Our Light"

to the tune of "Amazing Grace" ELW 574 ELW 715

#### \*POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

A: Let us pray: Loving God, you have shared your feast with us and made us new. Send us now to set tables of love and grace in our communities, that your liberating love might nourish the world into freedom, in the name of the crucified one, Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

### **SENDING**

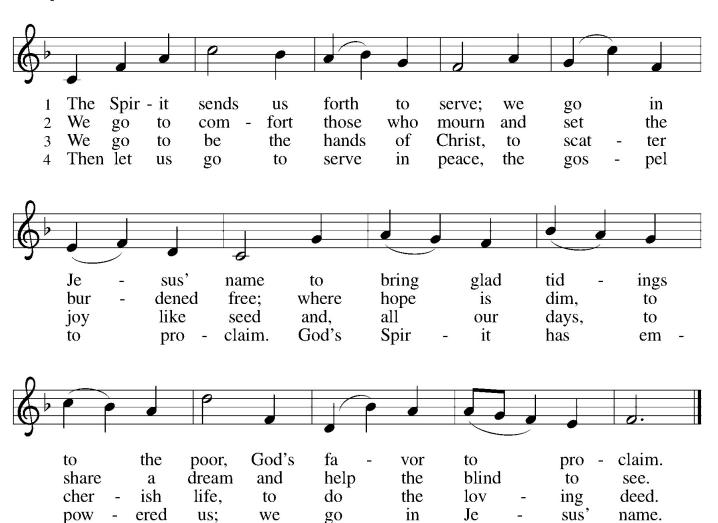
#### **BLESSING**

P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and ## give you peace. C: Amen.

#### **SENDING HYMN**

# "The Spirit Sends Us Forth to Serve"

#### **ELW 551**



#### **DISMISSAL**

A: Go in peace. Care for others as God cares for you. **C: Thanks be to God.**