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COURAGE

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Be strong and courageous and act. Don't be afraid or discouraged. God is with you and will not let you down.

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Ordering of Ministry for the Service of
Ordination with Commissioning and Consecration

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

Words: Edward Perronet; alt. by John Rippon | Music: Oliver Holden

All hail the pow'r of Jesus' name
Let angels prostrate fall
Bring forth the royal diadem
And crown Him Lord of all
Bring forth the royal diadem
And crown Him Lord of all

Ye chosen seed of Israel's race
Ye ransomed from the fall
Hail Him who saves you by His grace
And crown Him Lord of all
Hail Him who saves you by His grace
And crown Him Lord of all

Let ev'ry kindred ev'ry tribe
On this terrestrial ball
To Him all majesty ascribe
And crown Him Lord of all
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And crown Him Lord of all

GREETING AND PRAYER

Bishop John Schol

May the strength and courage of Christ be with you.

And the strength and courage of Christ also be with you.

We gather together, called as one body, growing the kingdom of God in all places.

The Lord will not fail us nor forsake us as we make disciples and grow vital congregations.

As we transform the world seeking justice, inclusion and equity.

As we call, equip and ordain leaders for the work in growing the kingdom of God.

INVOCATION

Rev. Dr. Gina Kim

Pour out your Holy Spirit on us this day that we may be filled with courage for all of the conversations and work that lies ahead. As laity and clergy, we ask that your Spirit remind us of our call to ministry. May this reminder always move us to act and give ourselves fully to your work, O God, knowing that our labor done in your name will not be in vain. May this worship service inspire, encourage and empower us to work together wherever we might go. All this we ask in the powerful name of the One who grants us courage, fills us with peace, and guides us in all things.

Amen.

RECOGNITION OF COMMON MINISTRY AND REAFFIRMATION OF BAPTISM

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 that you are baptized and be thankful.

We remember that we are baptized and affirm the faith that unites us.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

Jesus We Love You

Words and Music by Hannah McClure, Kalley Heiligenthal and Paul McClure | CCLI Song # 7030068

Old things have passed away
Your love has stayed the same
Your constant grace remains the cornerstone
Things that we thought were dead
Are breathing in life again
You cause your Son to shine on darkest nights
For all that You've done we will pour out our love
This will be our anthem song

Jesus we love You
Oh how we love You
You are the one our hearts adore
The hopeless have found their hope
The orphans now have a home
All that was lost has found its place in You

You lift our weary head
You make us strong instead
You took these rags and made us beautiful

Jesus te amamos
Cuanto te amamos
Y te adora nuestro Corazon

Jesus we love You
Oh how we love You
You are the one our hearts adore
Our affection our devotion
Poured out on the feet of Jesus

Nuestro afecto ty devocion
Derramamos ante Jesus

COMMISSIONING FOR THE OFFICE OF DEACONESS

Kimberly Burse, we rejoice that you responded to God's call to servant in ministry as a deaconess of The United Methodist Church. In your ministry you continue a tradition of service that is as vital today as it was in 1888 when the Office of Deaconess was first authorized in the Methodist tradition.

The call of God is always profound, and our response can be no less extraordinary. In the varied ministries of love, justice and service to which the Holy Spirit is leading you, you will testify to the infinite love of God in Christ Jesus. Such a lifetime vocation confers a great privilege; it also lays upon you a solemn responsibility.

In your consecration, you publicly declared your commitment:

- To engage in this lifelong work of love, justice and service and to assume its responsibilities led by the Spirit of God.
- To be diligent in prayer, in the reading of the Holy Scriptures, in mutual relationship with the communities you serve and in all other means of grace available to you.
- To earnestly seek to carry forward your ministry call in sincerity and in love under the direction of the Church.
- To accept responsibility for participation in the mutually supportive deaconess and home missionary covenant community and for a lifetime of loving and supporting your sisters and brothers as part of the world diaconate.

Do you now affirm these commitments publicly in the presence of this assembly?

Kimberly Burse: I do so publicly affirm these declarations with God being my helper.

Today, we send you forth with our blessings and support.

I commission you to the appointed ministry of Director - Skylands Outreach Depot on behalf of The United Methodist Church.

Let us pray: **Most Gracious God, source of all mercies, anoint these your servants with your Holy Spirit, enrich them with your grace, and strengthen them for the tasks which lie ahead. May their labors glorify your holy name, as they continue their daily work in ministries of love, justice and service on behalf of The United Methodist Church. Through your Son Jesus Christ we pray. Amen.**

To the church gathered here and around the world, I present our deaconess, commissioned to a lifetime of Christ-like service under the authority of the Church. Thanks be to God!

LAYING ON OF HANDS FOR BLESSING OF MISSIONARY

Sung Il Lee, I bless you as you take the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ into all the world, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

God we ask you to bless Sung Il Lee.

Fill his heart with the power of the Holy Spirit as he goes forth to serve in Fiji.

Grant him strength, wisdom, and grace as he commits his life to mission service.

May he become your instrument of peace as we send him forth with our love and support.

God, we pray that your witness and ministry will be filled with power to transform lives, conditions and communities through Sung Il Lee. That he will be an example of your justice, inclusion and equity with all of those he serves and that you will do a great work of mission through him.

And may the love of God, our Creator, the grace of Jesus Christ, our Redeemer, and the power of the Holy Spirit be with all of us, now and forever. Amen.

As members of the Body of Christ, we send you into service with your special gifts and graces to make disciples of Jesus Christ and transform the world.

I now present to you, Sung Il Lee, a missionary of the United Methodist Church through the General Board of Global Ministries to Fiji.

SONG OF PREPARATION

Worth Fighting For

Words and Music by Brian Courtney Wilson and Aaron W. Lindsey | CCLI#7031633

You met me deep in my despair to show me You
Would never leave me there
You claimed because I was
Made for so much more
I am Your child and I'm worth fighting for
Though heavy with the weight of my mistakes
You carried me
And refused to let me sink under the pressure
You meant for me to soar I am Your child
And I'm worth fighting for
Eyes have not seen
Ears have not heard all You have planned
For me and nothing can separate me from
Your love when there's so much
More still worth fighting for

Now I'm moving by faith and not by
Sight towards victory by the power of Your might
You're straightening out my path and opening every door
I am Your child
And I'm worth fighting for

Eyes have not seen
Ears have not heard
All You have planned for me and
Nothing can separate me from Your love
When there's so much more still worth fighting for

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

Scripture Reading: 1 Chronicles 28:20

Julia Williams
Marcos A. Burgos
Grace Doh

David also said to Solomon his son, "Be strong and courageous and do the work. Do not be afraid or discouraged, for the LORD God, my God is with you. He will not fail you or forsake you until all the work for the service of the temple of the LORD is finished.

MESSAGE

Bishop John Schol

SONG OF PRAISE

Sweet, Sweet Spirit

Words and Music by Doris Akers

There's a sweet sweet Spirit in this place
And I know that it's the Spirit of the Lord
There are sweet expressions on each face
And I know they feel the presence of the Lord

Sweet Holy Spirit
Sweet heavenly Dove
Stay right here with us
Filling us with Your love
And for these blessings
We lift our hearts in praise
Without a doubt we'll know
That we have been revived
When we shall leave this place

PRESENTATION OF PERSONS TO BE COMMISSIONED, RECOGNIZED AND ORDAINED

Rosa Williams, Conference Lay Leader: On behalf of the laity of local congregations who have examined and approved these candidates,

Tom Korkuch, Chair, Board of Ordained Ministry: and on behalf of the Board of Ordained Ministry of this annual conference, which has recommended these persons, and this annual conference, which has approved them. We present these persons to be commissioned, recognized and ordained for the ministry of the church.

These persons are by God's grace to be commissioned and ordained to 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, and possess the necessary signs of God's grace, and have demonstrated a profound commitment to serve Jesus Christ. Therefore, we believe them to be duly called to serve God.

We ask you, the people of God, to rejoice in and affirm each of these people being commissioned, ordained, or recognized.

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

All: We do! Thanks be to God!

Will you uphold them in their ministry?

All: With God's help, we will!

THE GENERAL EXAMINATION

My friends in Christ, you have been called to a commissioned or ordained ministry. The church now confirms your calling.

As commissioned or ordained ministers, you are to be coworkers with the laity, bishops, deacons, diaconal ministers, deaconesses, home missionaries, commissioned ministers, local pastors and elders.

Remember that you are called to serve rather than to be served, to proclaim the faith of the church and no other, to look after the concerns of God above all.

So that we may know that you believe yourselves to be called by God and that you profess the Christian faith, we ask you:

Do you believe that God has called you to the life and work of ordained ministry?

Candidates: I do so believe.

Do you believe in the Triune God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit and confess Jesus Christ as your Lord and Savior?

Candidates: I do so believe and confess.

Are you persuaded that the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments contain all things necessary for salvation through faith in Jesus Christ and are the unique and authoritative standard for the church's faith and life?

Candidates: I am so persuaded, by God's grace.

Will you be faithful in prayer, in the study of the Holy Scriptures, and with the help of the Holy Spirit continually rekindle the gift of God that is in you?

Candidates: I will, with the help of God.

Will you do your best to pattern your life in accordance with the teachings of Christ?

Candidates: I will, with the help of God.

Will you, in the exercise of your ministry, lead the people of God to faith in Jesus Christ, to participate in the life and work of the community, and to seek peace, justice, and freedom for all people?

Candidates: I will, with the help of God.

Will you be loyal to The United Methodist Church, accepting its order, liturgy, doctrine, and discipline, defending it against all doctrines contrary to God's Holy Word, and committing yourself to be accountable with those serving with you, and to the bishop and those who are appointed to supervise your ministry?

Candidates: I will, with the help of God.

May God, who has given you the will to do these things, give you grace to perform them, that the work begun in you may be brought to perfection.

Amen.

COMMISSIONING OF PROVISIONAL MEMBERS

By affirming the covenant of baptism, all members of Christ's holy church pledge to serve as Christ's representatives in the world.

Christ gave all of us this command: "Ask the Lord of the harvest to send laborers into his harvest."

We have asked, and the Lord has answered.

These sisters and brothers know our Savior's concern for God's people, see the plentiful harvest, and are ready to respond generously to the Lord in the words of the prophet: "Here I am; send me."

Urged on by the love of Christ and strengthened by the Holy Spirit, they now come to declare in public their desire to live out the covenant made at their baptism by binding themselves to the service of God under the supervision of the bishop and the guidance of ordained colleagues and by being appointed to share as servant leaders in the body of Christ.

As these candidates continue to prepare for Ordained Ministry, we rejoice that tonight they are Commissioned.

THE PRAYER OF COMMISSIONING

The congregation is invited to raise their arms as the Bishop prays.

God of the apostles and prophets, of the martyrs and teachers, you raise up men and women to be apostolic leaders in your church. By your Holy Spirit help these, your servants, to understand and live the mystery of your love with boldness and joy. Deepen their sense of purpose as they exercise commissioned ministry. Empower them, and those who will walk with them to guide their ministry, together with all of your people, to heal the sick, love the outcast, resist evil, preach the Word, and give themselves freely for your name's sake.

Amen.

COMMISSIONING OF PROVISIONAL MEMBERS

Those to be commissioned for the work of a deacon:

Cricket Brennan

Those to be commissioned for the work of an elder:

Rachel Callender

Joseph Jueng

Rosario Quiñones

Eun Ok Cha

Juyeon Lee

Marissa van der Valk

Min Ho Cho

Hee Young Lim

Jessica Winderweedle

Peggy Holder

Jisun Nam

LAYING ON OF HANDS

The congregation is invited to raise their arms as the Bishop prays.

Pour out your Holy Spirit.

Send them now to proclaim the good news of Jesus Christ, to announce the reign of God, and to equip the church for ministry, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

EXAMINATION OF ELDERS

An elder is called to share in the ministry of Christ and of the whole church: to preach and teach the Word of God and faithfully administer the sacraments of Holy Baptism and Holy Communion; to lead the people of God in worship and prayer; to lead persons to faith in Jesus Christ; to exercise pastoral supervision, order the life of the congregation, counsel the troubled, and declare the forgiveness of sin; to lead the people of God in obedience to Christ's mission in the world; to seek justice, peace, and freedom for all people; and to take a responsible place in the government of the Church and in service in and to the community.

These are the duties of an elder. Do you believe that God has called you to the life and work of an elder?

Candidates: I do so believe.

Will you, for the sake of the church's life and mission, covenant to participate in the order of elders?
Will you give yourself to God through the order of elders in order to sustain and build each other up in prayer, study, worship, and service?

Candidates: I will, with the help of God, and the help of my sisters and brothers in the order of elders.

PRAYER FOR ELDERS

As these persons are recognized or ordained by God and the church for the ministry of elders to which we believe they have been called by the Holy Spirit, let us pray for them.

We praise you, eternal God, because you have called us to be a priestly people, offering to you acceptable worship through Jesus Christ, our Lord. We thank you that, by dying, Christ has overcome death and, having ascended into heaven, has poured forth gifts abundantly on your people, making some apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers, to equip the saints for the work of ministry, to build up Christ's body, and to fulfill your gracious purpose in the world.

Give to these your servants the grace and power they need to serve you in this ministry. Make them faithful pastors, patient teachers, and wise counselors. Enable them to serve without reproach, to proclaim the gospel of salvation, to administer the sacraments of the new covenant, and to offer with all your people spiritual sacrifices acceptable to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

SONG

Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus

Words and Music by Aaron Shust and Paul Baloche | CCLI #706212

Turn your eyes upon Jesus
Look full in His wonderful face
And the things of earth will grow strangely dim
In the light of His glory and grace

ORDINATION: LAYING OF HANDS

Those to be ordained for the work of an elder:

Yoseb Jeon
Hyun Hui Kim
Seunghyun Lee
Joshua Mularski
Miso Park
Michael Reed
Dianna Stone
Nova Villa Vitug-Thomas

Almighty God, pour upon the Holy Spirit, for the office and work of an elder in Christ's holy church.

Amen.

Take authority as an elder to preach the Word of God, to administer the Holy Sacraments and to order the life of the Church; in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

SONG OF ADORATION

Praise the Name of Jesus

Words and Music by Roy Hicks Jr. | CCLI #12712

Praise the name of Jesus
Praise the name of Jesus
He's my Rock He's my Fortress
He's my Deliverer
In Him will I trust
Praise the name of Jesus

BENEDICTION

Bishop John Schol

SENDING FORTH

Come We That Love The Lord (Marching to Zion)

Words and Music by Isaac Watts and Robert Lowry | CCLI#144398

Come we that love the Lord
And let our joys be known
Join in a song with sweet accord
Join in a song with sweet accord
And thus surround the throne
And thus surround the throne

We're marching to Zion
Beautiful, beautiful Zion
We're marching upward to Zion
The beautiful city of God

Let those refuse to sing
Who never knew our God
But children of the heav'nly King
But children of the heav'nly King
May speak their joys abroad
May speak their joys abroad

The hill of Zion yields
A thousand sacred sweets
Before we reach the heav'nly fields
Before we reach the heav'nly fields
Or walk the golden streets
Or walk the golden streets

Then let our songs abound
And ev'ry tear be dry
We're marching thru Immanuel's ground
We're marching thru Immanuel's ground
To fairer worlds on high
To fairer worlds on high

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