

A SERVICE CELEBRATING THE ASSIGNMENT OF  
BISHOP CYNTHIA MOORE-KOIKOI TO  
THE EASTERN PENNSYLVANIA – GREATER NEW JERSEY  
EPISCOPAL AREA

**GATHERING**

**Welcome**

**W&S 3152**

*VERSE 1*

Let's walk together for a while  
And ask where we begin  
to build a world where love can grow  
and hope can enter in  
to be the hands of healing  
and to plant the seed of peace

*CHORUS*

Singing Welcome welcome to this place  
You're invited to come and know God's grace  
All are welcome the love of God to share  
'Cause all of us are welcome here  
All are welcome in this place

*VERSE 2*

Let's talk together of a time  
When we will share a feast  
Where pride and power kneel to serve  
The lonely and the least  
And joy will set the table  
As we join our hands to pray

*CHORUS*

*VERSE 3*

Let's dream together of the day  
When earth and heaven are one  
A city built of love and light  
The new Jerusalem  
Where our mourning turns to dancing  
Every creature lifts its voice

*CHORUS*

**Love is Calling (Somlandela)**

**Words & Music by Greg Jorden and NJ Kunene / Zulu Traditional Public Domain**

*CHORUS*

Love is calling out to everyone  
here in this place  
Love is calling out  
Will You go for me  
Will You go for me

*VERSE*

Somlandela, Somlandel'u Jesu  
(We will follow / We will follow Jesus)  
Somlandela, Yonke indawo  
(We will follow / We will follow Him)

Somlandela, Somlandel'u Jesu  
(We will follow / We will follow Jesus)  
Lapho eyakhona, Somlandela  
(Wherever He leads us we will follow)

**Ayeyi Wura (Most High God)**

**West African Praise Song**

Ay-eyi Wu-ra Ay-eyi Wura  
(King of our praise King of our praise)  
Ye Yi wa-ye na-ye ma wo so  
(We praise Your name and we lift You up)

Jehovah You are the Most High  
Jehovah You are the Most High God  
Jehovah You are the Most High  
Jehovah You are the Most High God

Ay-eyi Wu-ra Ay-eyi Wu-ra  
(King of our praise king of our praise)  
Ye Yi wa-ye na-ye ma wo so  
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# BLESSING OF THE LAND (Video)

## PROCESSIONAL HYMNS

### Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

*UMH 89*

*VERSE 1*

Joyful Joyful we adore thee  
God of glory Lord of love  
Hearts unfold like flowers before thee  
Opening to the sun above

Melt the clouds of sin and sadness  
Drive the dark of doubt away  
Giver of immortal gladness  
Fill us with the light of day

*VERSE 2*

All thy works with joy surround thee  
Earth and heaven reflect thy rays  
Stars and angels sing around thee  
Center of unbroken praise

Field and forest vale and mountain  
Flowery meadow flashing sea  
Chanting bird and flowing fountain  
Call us to rejoice in thee

*VERSE 3*

Thou art giving and forgiving  
Ever blessing ever blest  
Wellspring of the joy of living  
Ocean depth of happy rest

Thou our Maker Christ our brother  
All who live in love are thine  
Teach us how to love each other  
Lift us to the joy divine

*VERSE 4*

Mortals join the mighty chorus  
Which the morning stars began  
Love divine is reigning o'er us  
Binding all within its span

Ever singing march we onward  
Victors in the midst of strife  
Joyful music leads us sunward  
In the triumph song of life

### Great is Thy Faithfulness

*UMH 140*

*Verse 1*

Great is thy faithfulness O God Creator  
There is no shadow of turning with thee  
Thou changest not thy compassions they fail not  
As thou hast been thou forever wilt be

*Chorus*

Great is thy faithfulness  
Great is thy faithfulness  
Morning by morning new mercies I see  
All I have needed thy hand hath provided  
Great is thy faithfulness Lord unto me

*Verse 2*

Summer and winter and springtime and harvest  
Sun moon and stars in their courses above  
Join with all nature in manifold witness  
To thy great faithfulness mercy and love

*Chorus*

*Verse 3*

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth  
Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide  
Strength for today and bright hope for  
tomorrow  
Blessings all mine with ten thousand beside

*Chorus*

## GREETING AND OPENING PRAYER

Bethany Amey

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.  
**And also with you.**  
Let us pray.

**Eternal God, by your grace you have set us together in your Church,  
whose foundation is your Son Jesus Christ.  
Grant your continuing grace, we pray,  
to all who exercise leadership in your Church,  
that they may with diligence and faithfulness  
fulfill their various ministries;  
and grant that we your people  
may follow them where you lead  
and minister faithfully in the world;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## GREETING FROM THE EASTERN PENNSYLVANIA ANNUAL CONFERENCE

Evelyn Kent Clark  
Dean of the Cabinet, Eastern PA

## CHORAL ANTHEM

**Order My Steps (In Your Word)**  
*(Words and Music by Glenn Burleigh, arranged by Jack Schrader)*

GNJ Joint Choir

*ALDERSGATE UMC  
BOUNTIFUL UMC  
CALVARY KOREAN UMC  
COVENANT UMC IN PLAINFIELD  
NEW DOVER UMC IN EDISON  
WESLEY UMC IN SOUTH PLAINFIELD*

## PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Iraida Ruiz de Porras

## PSALM 100

*(UMH 821)*

Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the lands!  
**Serve the Lord with gladness!**  
**Come into God's presence with singing!**  
Know that the Lord, who made us, is God.  
**We are the Lord's;**  
**we are the people of God,**  
**the sheep of God's pasture.**  
Enter God's gates with thanksgiving,  
And God's courts with praise!  
**Give thanks and bless God's name!**  
For the Lord is good;  
**God's steadfast love endures for ever;**  
**God's faithfulness to all generations.**

## SCRIPTURE LESSON

Ezekiel 34:11 -16 | God the True Shepherd

Edwin Aponte  
Dean of Drew Theological School

## SCRIPTURE LESSON

Titus 1:7 -9 | The Character of a Bishop

Jennifer Cho

## SONG OF PREPARATION

### Feed My Sheep

*(Words by Laurie Zelman and Music by Mark A. Miller)*

You know my faults how I deny  
The very truths I must live by  
You see my sins my sorrows deep  
And yet you tell me feed your sheep  
Feed your sheep

You are my Lord my path my goal  
You have my heart my life my soul  
You give so much it makes me weep  
Please teach me how to feed your sheep  
Feed your sheep

People are lost they're searching for  
A way a truth an open door  
The road is dark the mountain steep  
You need someone to feed your sheep  
Feed your sheep

Feed my lambs I hear your call  
To gain my life I'll give my all  
I love you Lord the words run deep  
So I will go and feed your sheep  
Feed your sheep

## GOSPEL LESSON

John 21:15 -17 | Feed My Sheep

Lysette Perez (Spanish)  
Harriett Olson (English)  
Byungil Ahn (Korean)

## INTRODUCTION OF THE BISHOP

Raphael Koikoi

***GINA HENDRICKSON, CHAIR OF THE GNJ COMMITTEE ON EPISCOPACY TO BISHOP:***

*Bishop Moore-Koikoi,*

you have been consecrated to be a shepherd and servant,  
and you have now been assigned  
as bishop of the *Eastern Pennsylvania – Greater New Jersey* Area of The United Methodist Church.

***GINA HENDRICKSON TO THE REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NORTHEASTERN JURISDICTION COMMITTEE ON THE EPISCOPACY:***

Who will present *Bishop Moore-Koikoi* for welcome to this area?

***DREW DYSON AND BETHANY AMEY,***

***GNJ REPRESENTATIVES TO THE NORTHEASTERN JURISDICTION COMMITTEE ON THE EPISCOPACY:***

We, the Greater New Jersey representatives  
of the Northeastern Jurisdictional Committee on the Episcopacy,  
do certify that *Bishop Moore-Koikoi*  
having been elected and consecrated at the 2016 Northeastern Jurisdictional Conference  
has been assigned by the Northeastern Jurisdictional Committee on the Episcopacy  
to the *Eastern Pennsylvania – Greater New Jersey* Area.

We therefore, present to this congregation *Bishop Moore-Koikoi* to be welcomed to this area to which she has been assigned.

## THE COVENANT SERVICE

### ***GINA HENDRICKSON:***

The Church is the community of those called by God,  
justified by grace, and empowered by the Holy Spirit.

We who are baptized into Christ's death  
and raised with Christ in the resurrection  
are living members of the body of Christ  
who return thanksgiving to God  
in ministries of worship, nurture, witness, and service.

### ***DREW DYSON:***

A bishop has been ordained to the ministry of Word and Sacrament;  
and to represent Christ's servanthood  
in a special ministry of oversight.

A bishop is called to guard the faith, to seek the unity,  
and to exercise the discipline of the whole Church;  
and to supervise and support the Church's life, work,  
and mission throughout the world.

As a servant of the whole Church,  
the bishop is called to preach and teach  
the truth of the gospel to all God's people;  
to lead the people in worship,  
in the celebration of the Sacraments,  
and in their mission of witness and service in the world,  
and so participate in the gospel command  
to make disciples of all nations.

### ***BETHANY AMEY:***

The bishop is to lead and guide  
all persons entrusted to her supervision;  
join in the consecration of bishops,  
ordain deacons and elders,  
consecrate diaconal ministers,  
and commission other ministers  
for service to the Church and to the world;  
and provide for the ministry of Word and Sacrament  
in the congregations committed to her care.

Let the shepherd who has been called  
now affirm these ministries in our midst.

### ***BISHOP MOORE-KOIKOI:***

With God's help,  
I promise faithfully to hear and to proclaim God's Word,  
and rightly administer the Sacraments, as your pastor and servant.

### ***PEOPLE:***

**With God's help,  
we promise to join with you in the life of praise and thanksgiving,  
and in the faithful use of the means of grace that God has given us.**

### ***BISHOP:***

By the grace of Christ,  
I promise to be among you as a teacher of the faith,  
a pastor of souls, and a means to the unity of the body of Christ.

**PEOPLE:**

**By the grace of Christ,  
we promise to join with you in the life of learning,  
in the nurturing of God's people,  
and in the seeking of that oneness in Christ  
which is Christ's gift to us.**

**BISHOP:**

In the power of the Holy Spirit,  
I promise to be for you a means of reconciliation and healing,  
that all those who are burdened or oppressed may be made whole  
and able to rejoice in the new life in Jesus Christ.

**PEOPLE:**

**In the power of the Holy Spirit,  
we promise to be, with you, faithful witnesses,  
serving justice, showing mercy,  
and in all things proclaiming the acceptable year of the Lord.**

**GINA HENDRICKSON:**

Let the people say, "Amen."

**PEOPLE:**

**Amen and amen!**

## **PRESENTATION OF SIGNS OF EPISCOPAL MINISTRY**

**REPRESENTATIVES OF THE PEOPLE OF GOD PRESENT SIGNS OF THE EPISCOPAL OFFICE TO THE BISHOP. AS EACH IS RECEIVED, THE BISHOP RESPONDS, AMEN, AND PLACES IT ON A TABLE.**

**CAROLYN PENDLETON:** *Bishop Moore-Koikoi*, take this pastoral staff,  
and be upheld and sustained by Christ the Good Shepherd  
as you exercise the ministry of a shepherd among us in Christ's Name. **Amen.**

**ZACHARY HOLDER & MOSELLE JULES:** *Bishop Moore-Koikoi*, take this Bible,  
and proclaim fearlessly the prophetic Word  
in the cause of justice and peace for all people. **Amen.**

**CYNTHIA WILKS-MOSLEY:** *Bishop Moore-Koikoi*, take this water,  
be renewed in your baptism and renew us in ours. **Amen.**

**HEATHER VALOSIN & KATE MONAHAN:** *Bishop Moore-Koikoi*, take this bread and cup,  
and keep us in communion with Christ and his Church. **Amen.**

**CRICKET DENTON & DEB DE VOS:** *Bishop Moore-Koikoi*, take this towel and basin,  
and be among us as one who serves. **Amen.**

**JESSICA WINDERWEEDLE:** *Bishop Moore-Koikoi*, take this stole,  
and be our pastor, preacher, and teacher;  
encourage and support all baptized people in their gifts and ministries,  
and pray for them without ceasing. **Amen.**

**SANG WON DOH:** *Bishop Moore-Koikoi*, take this Book of Discipline,  
guard the faith, seek the unity,  
exercise the discipline of the whole Church,  
and supervise the Church's life, work,  
and mission throughout the world. **Amen.**

**SHELLEY SMITH:** *Bishop Moore-Koikoi*, take this gavel,  
and preside in our Annual Conference(s);

appoint pastors and assign diaconal ministers to their ministries,  
and guide us in our common mission of love and justice,  
witness and service. **Amen.**

**DREW DYSON:**

*Bishop Moore-Koikoi*, these are the signs of your ministry  
among the people of the *Greater New Jersey Annual Conference* of The United Methodist Church.  
Faithfully administer discipline, but do not forget mercy,  
that when the Chief Shepherd shall appear,  
you may receive the never-fading crown of glory.

**BISHOP:**

In the *Name* of Jesus Christ, the Head of the Church,  
I gladly assume, with you and among you,  
this ministry of Word, Sacrament, and Order,  
of pastoral supervision, government, and service.  
Strengthened by the love of God  
and the remembrance of my consecration to the episcopacy,  
I am resolved to serve faithfully and well  
the congregations and people of the *Greater New Jersey Annual Conference*  
as bishop, pastor, and friend.

**PEOPLE:**

**On behalf of the congregations and people,  
we receive you, Bishop Moore-Koikoi,  
with joy and thanksgiving, as our bishop and pastor.  
We pledge to you our prayers, our loyalty, and our support  
as you lead us in the ministry of reconciliation entrusted to us all.**

**WELCOME AND ACCLAMATION**

*GINA HENDRICKSON:* Welcome your bishop!

**SERMON:**

“Every Breakfast is a Fresh Start”

Bishop Cynthia Moore-Koikoi

**PRAYER**

Gina Hendrickson

O God, Shepherd and Ruler of the faithful,  
look with favor on your servant *Cynthia Moore-Koikoi*,  
whom your Church has appointed bishop  
and chief pastor of the *Greater New Jersey Annual Conference*.  
Grant that, by word and example,  
she may assist those among whom she is placed,  
so that she and the people entrusted to her care  
may fulfill the promises that they have made this day;  
grow together in unity, love, and service;  
and at last attain everlasting life;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## OFFERING

Eric Drew

The gifts given today will be used to support youth attending EPA Camp & Retreat Ministries and the IGNITE Youth Conference.

Checks may be made out to GNJUMC with Memo: *YOUTH SCHOLARSHIPS IGNITE/CAMPING*

Thank you for your generosity.

## Offertory Music:

AfriSCaD Choir  
(African Students Community at Drew University)

## HOLY COMMUNION

**Let Us Break Bread Together**  
(UMH 618)

**Come to the Table of Grace**  
(W&S 3168)

**Holy Spirit (CCLI 6087919)**  
(CCLI 6087919)

## Feed My Sheep

Written by: Tanya Linn Bennett

## Service of Holy Communion

### *INVITATION TO THE FEAST*

Christ our Lord invites to this table all who love him,  
Who earnestly repent of their sin  
And seek to live in peace with one another.  
Therefore, let us confess our sin before God and one another.

### *CONFESSION AND PARDON*

Loving God, Great Shepherd, you seek us out in all times and places;  
And with grace and holy kindness, you gather us back into the fold,  
no matter how far we have strayed or where we have gone.  
Before we come to be fed again, we empty ourselves of all that keeps us from  
each other and from you.

**When we have taken your grace for granted  
And expected instant answers to immediate requests:  
When we have allowed waiting on your Spirit to slip into lethargy,  
and waiting on the kin-dom to be replaced by apathy:  
When we have borne false witness against one another  
clouded with claims of righteous indignation:  
When we have thought only of ourselves waiting on you  
And never pondered how you wait on us:  
When we have left too many outside the gate, and refused  
them entry because of our judgment and self-righteousness,  
God of grace, hear our cries for forgiveness and restoration.  
Make us your shepherds, feeding the least and forgotten, loving  
the lonely.  
We ask this in Jesus' name.  
Amen.**

### *WORDS OF GRACE*

**ONE:** In God's grace, we are forgiven.  
**ALL:** Thanks be to God.

### *THE PEACE*



## ***GREAT THANKSGIVING***

**ONE:** God be with you.

**ALL:** **God is with us.**

In those days, when the sun grew dim and clouds covered the earth, the people sat in silence, broken and weary, alienated from each other and from their God. They watched and waited in fear and hopelessness. Despair fell over them like a deep shadow. God looked upon the exquisite world God had made, and the wonderful, fearfully made creatures God had fashioned to inhabit that world. God saw the pain and anger and conflict that had marred the magnificent and marvelous vision God had for this world.

A new day must come, God said. And God reached into God's own truth. The word became flesh, and the One, the Son appeared on the horizon. God said to him, you will be the Great Shepherd. Go out and find the least and the lost. Gather them up and tell them of a love that will never leave them hungry again. And the people saw the One, the Son, and they said, a new day has dawned. In wonder and awe, they sang out their praise and thanksgiving for this thing that God had done, singing with the ancestors,

## ***SANCTUS***

Jesus did just as God had told him. Jesus walked into the shadows and shone light into the corners, calling to the lost and bringing back the strays. He bound up the injured and strengthened the weak, and freed the people distant from all that held them from the fullness of life offered by God. Jesus held them in a love so fierce and so gentle that they could not deny or escape it. Jesus challenged the sleek and the strong, offering a kin-dom of grace and peace and oneness, instead of the reign of power and control and alienation. Jesus shepherded God's flock with justice.

The people were fed and they flourished. They followed the Great Shepherd and gathered others up with them. But fear gripped their hearts and took hold of their heads. They could not imagine this new day or trust that it would endure. They quivered with anxiety and wavered in their belief. So, they said, take Jesus away where he can tend the sheep no more.

Knowing that danger was near, Jesus secretly gathered friends around the Passover table. Jesus lifted bread, blessed it, and told them to eat. Jesus raised the cup, blessed it, and told them to drink. "This is the meal that will always sustain you," he said, "the promise of God for the people of God. Eat it and remember that now you are the shepherds. Each one called to feed God's flock."

And then he was taken away and he was gone.

But nothing can separate us from the love of God, not rulers then or now, not human power and control. Nothing. In a miracle we will never understand, God rose Jesus up to stand again on the horizon, beckoning us into the dawning of a new day. It is here. It is now. So we simply trust and believe and sing out the mystery that is our faith in God and God's faith in us.

## ***MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION***

Today we come to this table, God's table. This meal that dawns a new day. God of glory, pour out your spirit on these gifts of bread and cup, and make them be the bread of heaven and the cup of salvation. God of grace, pour out your spirit on us, and make us be your shepherds, gatherers feeding love and hope and joy.

Every one is welcome here. Bound and broken, lost and least, the strays and the scorned. Every one, gather to eat here and remember that we are God's shepherds prepared here to carry this sacred meal into a new day that endures forever.

Amen.

## ***TANYA LINN BENNETT:***

**We thank you, gracious Lord, for giving yourself to us,  
and for uniting us in the communion of your Holy Spirit.  
We bless you for raising up among us**

your faithful servant *Bishop Cynthia Moore-Koikoi*  
for the ministry of a bishop in your Church.

We pray that she may be to us an effective example  
in word and action, in love and patience, and in holiness of life.

Grant that we, with her,  
may glorify you by giving ourselves to others;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
who lives and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever. Amen.

## DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

Bishop Moore-Koikoi

## RECESSIONAL HYMN

### We Are Marching

*TFWS 2235-b*

#### *English*

We are marching  
in the light of God  
we are marching  
in the light of God  
(X2)

We are marching  
we are marching Ooo  
we are marching  
in the light of God

#### *Zulu*

Siyahamb'  
ekukhanyen' kwenkhos'  
siyahamb'  
ekukhanyen' kwenkhos'  
(X2)

Siyahamba  
Siyahamba Ooo  
Siyahamb'  
ekukhanyen' kwnkhos'

#### *Spanish*

Caminan do en la luz de Dios  
Caminando en la luz de Dios  
Caminan do en la luz de Dios  
Caminando en la luz de Dios  
(X2)

Caminando caminando  
Ooo caminando en la luz de Dios  
Caminando caminando  
Ooo Caminando en la luz de Dios

#### *Korean*

Woo-ri-ham-ke go-ro-ga-ne  
Joo bit-ahne ham-ke gut-ne  
Woo-ri-ham-ke go-ro-ga-ne  
Joo bit-ahne ham-ke gut-ne  
(X2)

Woo-ri ham-ke go-ro-ga-ne  
Ooo Joo bit-ahne ham-ke gut-ne  
Woo-ri ham-ke go-ro-ga-ne  
Ooo Joo bit-ahne ham-ke gut-ne

## GOING FORTH