TODAY'S MINISTERS

Celebrant and Preacher
The Rt. Rev. Alex Cameron

Master of Ceremonies

The Rev. Canon Jonathan Millard

Bishop's Chaplain
The Rev. Ethan Carlson

Presenters

The Rev. Dennett Buettner
Emma Juday
The Rev. Dr. Jack Gabig
Cecelia Hermankevich
Jay O'Brien
The Rev. Lauren Scharf
The Rev. Gaea Thompson

Bread Bearers & Chalice Bearers

The Rt. Rev. Alex Cameron
The Rev. Michael Juday
The Rev. Dn. Anthony Hermankevich
The Ven. Dr. Mark Stevenson

Crucifer & Torch Bearers
Stacey Regan
Elizabeth Ames-McCrimmon
Benjamin Ames-McCrimmon

Musicians
Gary Harger, Organist
Mark Kwolek
Sarah Kwolek
David Sadd
Rodrigo Silva

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THE ORDINATIONS OF

Anthony Joseph Hermankevich

to the Order of Deacons

and

Michael James Juday

to the Sacred Order of Priests

Church of the Ascension Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

Saturday, December 2, 2023

Thank you for joining us.

Please silence all electronics and refrain from flash photography during the service.



THE DISMISSAL

Deacon Let us go forth into the world rejoicing in the power of the Holy

Spirit. Alleluia, alleluia.

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

POSTLUDE

If Thou but Trust in God to Guide Thee

J.S. Bach

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CLOSING COLLECT

The newly ordained Priest prays

Go before us, O Lord, in all our doings with your most gracious favor, and further us with your continual help; that in all our works begun, continued, and ended in you, we may glorify your holy Name, and finally, through your mercy, obtain everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE BLESSING

The Bishop may ask the newly ordained Priest to bless the People saying

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Please stand and join in singing.

THE EXIT HYMN

Lord, You Give the Great Commission Jeffery Rowthorn, Cyril Vincent Taylor



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The Preface to the Ordinal

of the Anglican Church in North America

BEING THE FORM AND MANNER OF ORDAINING BISHOPS, PRIESTS, AND DEACONS

The Holy Scriptures and ancient authors teach that, from the Apostles' time, these three orders of ministry have existed in Christ's Church: Bishops, Priests, and Deacons. From the earliest days of the Church, these offices were always held in such reverent estimation that no one might presume to execute any of them without being first called, tried, examined, and ascertained to have such qualities as are requisite. Candidates were approved and admitted to these offices by lawful authority, through public prayer and the imposition of hands by a Bishop. And therefore, to the end that these orders may be continued, and reverently used and esteemed in this Church, no one shall be accounted to be a lawful Bishop, Priest, or Deacon in this Church, or allowed to execute any of the said functions, without first being called, tried, examined, and admitted to such office according to the form set forth in this book, or having received Episcopal Consecration or Ordination already.

The Bishop may only admit a candidate as a Deacon or Priest after sufficient examination and testing to determine that the candidate meets the requirements of the Canons, and is of virtuous conduct, without crime or impediment, instructed in the Holy Scriptures, and fit for ministry in Christ's Church.

The Book of Common Prayer (2019) p. 470

The Order of Service for Holy Communion and the Ordination of a Priest and Deacon

THE PRELUDE

Adoro Te Devote Blessed Jesus, We Are Here

G. Near

J.S. Bach

Hymnal #390

THE ENTRANCE HYMN

Please stand and join in singing.

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation;

O my soul, praise him, for he is thy health and salvation:
join the great throng, psaltery, organ, and song,
sounding in glad adoration.

Praise to the Lord, over all things he gloriously reigneth: borne as on eagle wings, safely his saints he sustaineth. Hast thou not seen how all thou needest hath been granted in what he ordaineth?

Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy way and defend thee; surely his goodness and mercy shall ever attend thee; ponder anew what the Almighty can do, who with his love doth befriend thee.

Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore him! All that hath life and breath come now with praises before him! Let the amen sound from his people again; gladly forever adore him. If I go prepare a place for you, I will come back again
If I go prepare a place for you, I will come back again
You know I am the Way, the Truth, the Life, keep my command
That where I am, there you may also be

Chorus That where I am, there you may also be

Up where the truth, the truth will set you free

In the world you will have trouble, but I leave you my peace

That where I am, there you may also be

Remember you did not choose me, no I have chosen you Remember you did not choose me, no I have chosen you The world will show you hatred, the Spirit show you truth That where I am, there you may also be

I've come down from the Father, time for Me to go back up
Oh I've come down from the Father, time for Me to go back up
One command I leave you, love as I have loved
That where I am, there you may also be

THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Celebrant Let us pray.

The People may stand, sit, or kneel.

Celebrant and People

Heavenly Father,

We thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom.

And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.

To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,

be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

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O Come to the Altar

Chris Brown, Mack Brock, Steven Furtick, Wade Joye

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Are you hurting and broken within?

Overwhelmed by the weight of your sin?

Jesus is calling

Have you come to the end of yourself? Do you thirst for a drink from the well?

Jesus is calling

Chorus O come to the altar

The Father's arms are open wide Forgiveness was bought with The precious blood of Jesus Christ

Leave behind your regrets and mistakes
Come today, there's no reason to wait
Jesus is calling
Bring your sorrows and trade them for joy
From the ashes, a new life is born
Jesus is calling

Bridge Oh, what a Savior, isn't He wonderful?

Sing hallelujah, Christ is risen

Bow down before Him for He is Lord of all

Sing hallelujah, Christ is risen

Bear your cross as you wait for the crown Tell the world of the treasure you've found

That Where I Am

Rich Mullins CCLL# 2587468

In my Father's house there are many, many rooms
In my Father's house there are many, many rooms
And I'm going up there now to prepare a place for you
That where I am, there you may also be

WELCOME

The Rev. Canon Jonathan Millard

THE ACCLAMATION

Bishop	The Lord will pour out his Spirit upon all flesh,
People	And your sons and daughters shall prophesy.
Bishop	Your old men shall dream dreams,
People	And your young men shall see visions.
Bishop	You shall know that the Lord is in the midst of his people,
People	That he is the Lord and there is none else.
Bishop	And it shall come to pass,
People	That everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE PRESENTATION

The Bishop and People sit. The Presenters, standing before the Bishop, present each Ordinand.

Presenters for Anthony Joseph Hermankevich

Reverend Father in God, we present Anthony Joseph Hermankevich to be admitted to the Order of Deacons.

Bishop Has this person been selected in accordance with the Canons of

this Church? And do you believe his manner of life to be suitable

to the exercise of this ministry?

Presenters We certify to you that he has satisfied the requirements of the

Canons, and we believe him to be qualified for this order.

Presenters for Michael James Juday

Reverend Father in God, we present Michael James Juday to be

admitted to the Order of Priests.

Bishop Has he been selected in accordance with the Canons of this

Church? And do you believe his manner of life to be suitable to

the exercise of this ministry?

Presenters We certify to you that he has satisfied the requirements of the

Canons, and we believe him to be qualified for this Order.

The Bishop shall then require the Ordinands to take the Oath of Conformity and the Oath of Canonical Obedience saying

The Canons require that no one may be ordained a Deacon, and that no Deacon may be ordained a Priest in the Church, before subscribing without reservation to the Oath of Conformity. It is also required that each Ordinand subscribe without reservation to the Oath of Canonical Obedience. In the presence of this Congregation, I now charge you to make your solemn declaration of these oaths.

The Ordinands then declare

I, N.N., do believe the Holy Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments to be the Word of God and to contain all things necessary to salvation, and I consequently hold myself bound to conform my life and ministry thereto, and therefore I do solemnly engage to conform to the Doctrine, Discipline, and Worship of Christ as this Church has received them.

And I do promise, here in the presence of Almighty God and of the Church, that I will pay true and canonical obedience in all things lawful and honest to the Bishop of Pittsburgh, and his successors, so help me God.

The Ordinands then sign the Oath of Conformity and the Oath of Canonical Obedience in the sight of all present.

All stand. The Bishop says to the People

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ, you know the importance of this ministry, and the weight of your responsibility in presenting Anthony for ordination to the sacred Order of Deacons and Michael to the sacred Priesthood. Therefore, if any of you know of any impediment or crime because of which we should not proceed, come forward now and make it known.

COMMUNION MUSIC

Holy Spirit

Keith Getty, Stuart Townend CCLI # 4779872

Holy Spirit, living breath of God,
Breathe new life into my willing soul.
Let the presence of the risen Lord,
Come renew my heart and make me whole.
Cause Your Word to come alive in me;
Give me faith for what I cannot see,
Give me passion for Your purity;
Holy Spirit, breathe new life in me.

Holy Spirit, come abide within,
May Your joy be seen in all I do.
Love enough to cover every sin,
In each thought and deed and attitude.
Kindness to the greatest and the least,
Gentleness that sows the path of peace.
Turn my strivings into works of grace;
Breath of God show Christ in all I do.

Holy Spirit, from creation's birth,
Giving life to all that God has made,
Show Your power once again on earth,
Cause Your church to hunger for your ways.
Let the fragrance of our prayers arise;
Lead us on the road of sacrifice,
That in unity the face of Christ
May be clear for all the world to see.

And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.

THE FRACTION

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated bread.

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover Lamb has been sacrificed,

once for all upon the cross.

People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

THE MINISTRATION OF COMMUNION

The Celebrant gives this invitation

The gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

THE AGNUS DEL

Fesus, Lamb of God

Schubert, Hymnal #S 164

Jesus, Lamb of God: have mercy on us.
Jesus, bearer of our sins: have mercy on us.
Jesus, redeemer, redeemer of the world:
Give us your peace, give us your peace.

The People are seated.

All baptized and believing Christians are invited to receive Holy Communion unless prohibited by their own tradition. Inform the Bread Bearer if you need a gluten-free wafer.

If for any reason you are not receiving today, we still invite you to come forward. Simply cross your arms over your chest to receive a blessing instead of the bread and wine.

If no objection is made, the Bishop continues

Is it your will that Anthony be ordained as a Deacon?

People It is.

Bishop Is it your will that Michael be ordained as a Priest?

People It is.

Bishop Will you uphold them in this ministry?

People We will.

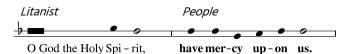
Bishop In peace let us pray to the Lord.

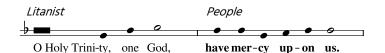
THE LITANY FOR ORDINATIONS

All kneel. The Ordinands either kneel or lie prostrate during the Litany.









Litanist We beseech you to hear us good Lord; and that it may please you to

grant peace to the whole world and to your Church,

People We beseech you to hear us, Good Lord.

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Litanist That it may please you to sanctify and bless your holy Church

throughout the world,

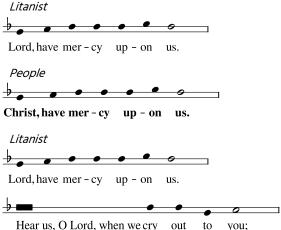
People We beseech you to hear us, Good Lord.

Litanist That it may please you to inspire all Bishops, Priests, and Deacons

with the love of you and your truth,

People We beseech you to hear us, Good Lord.

Litanist That it may please you to endue all Ministers of your Church with devotion to your glory and to the salvation of souls, People We beseech you to hear us, Good Lord. Litanist That it may please you to bless these your servants, now to be admitted to the Order of Priests and the Order of Deacons, and to pour your grace upon them, that they may duly execute their offices to the edification of your Church, and to the glory of your holy Name, People We beseech you to hear us, Good Lord. That it may please you to guide by your indwelling Spirit those whom Litanist you call to the ministry of your Church; that they may go forward with courage, and persevere to the end, People We beseech you to hear us, Good Lord. That it may please you to increase the number of Ministers in your Litanist Church, that the Gospel may be preached to all people, People We beseech you to hear us, Good Lord. Litanist That it may please you to grant us true repentance, amendment of life, and the forgiveness of all our sins, We beseech you to hear us, Good Lord. People Litanist That it may please you to hasten the fulfillment of your purpose, that vour Church may be one. People We beseech you to hear us, Good Lord. Litanist That it may please you to grant that we, with all your saints, may be partakers of your everlasting kingdom, We beseech you to hear us, Good Lord. People



Likewise, after supper, Jesus took the cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for this is my Blood of the New Covenant, which is shed for you, and for many, for the forgiveness of sins: Whenever you drink it, do this in remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died. Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, and we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Word and Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Sanctify us also, that we may worthily receive this holy sacrament, and be made one body with him, so that he may dwell in us and we in him. And bring us with all your saints into the fullness of your heavenly kingdom, where we shall see our Lord face to face.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Celebrant And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray,

Celebrant and People

Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come, thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.

The Celebrant continues

It is right, our duty and our joy, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Through the great shepherd of your flock, Jesus Christ our Lord, who after his resurrection sent forth his apostles to preach the Gospel and to teach all nations, and promised to be with them always, even to the end of the ages.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

THE SANCTUS

Schubert, Hymnal #S 130

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord
Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are full, full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.

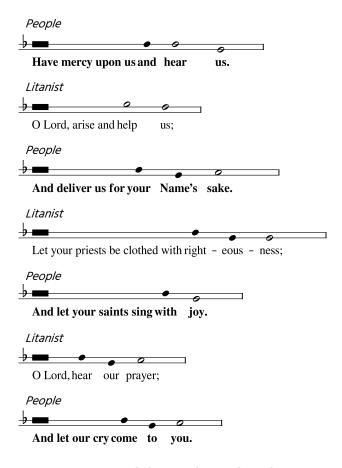
THE PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

The People may kneel or remain standing.

The Celebrant continues

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and when we had sinned against you and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent your only Son into the world for our salvation. By the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary he became flesh and dwelt among us. In obedience to your will, he stretched out his arms upon the cross and offered himself once for all, that by his suffering and death we might be saved. By his resurrection he broke the bonds of death, trampling Hell and Satan under his feet. As our great high priest, he ascended to your right hand in glory, that we might come with confidence before the throne of grace.

On the night that he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat; this is my Body which is given for you: Do this in remembrance of me."



THE COLLECT FOR ORDINATIONS

The Bishop stands and prays

The Lord be with you.

People And with your spirit.

Bishop Let us pray.

The Bishop continues

Almighty God, giver of all good things, by your Holy Spirit and divine providence you appointed various Orders of Ministers in your Church, and you inspired your Apostles to appoint to the Order of Deacons the first martyr Stephen, with others: mercifully behold this your servant now called to the Order of Deacons and this your servant now called to the Order of Priests; so fill them with the truth of your doctrine and adorn them with holiness of life, that by word and good example they may faithfully serve you in their offices, to the glory of your Name and the

edification of your Church; through the merits of our Savior Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, world without end. **Amen.**

The People are seated.

THE FIRST LESSON

Jeremiah 1:4-10

Ebenezer Juday

Now the word of the Lord came to me, saying,

"Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you; I appointed you a prophet to the nations."

Then I said, "Ah, Lord God! Behold, I do not know how to speak, for I am only a youth." But the Lord said to me,

"Do not say, 'I am only a youth'; for to all to whom I send you, you shall go, and whatever I command you, you shall speak. Do not be afraid of them, for I am with you to deliver you, declares the Lord."

Then the Lord put out his hand and touched my mouth. And the Lord said to me,

"Behold, I have put my words in your mouth.

See, I have set you this day over nations and over kingdoms, to pluck up and to break down, to destroy and to overthrow, to build and to plant."

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

PSALM 119

The Rev. Dr. Jack Gabig

Teach me, O Lord, the way of your statutes, * and I shall keep it to the end.

Give me understanding, and I shall keep your law; * indeed, I shall keep it with my whole heart.

Without Thy sweet mercy, I could not live here Sin would reduce me to utter despair But through Thy free goodness, my spirits revive And He, that first made me, still keeps me alive

Thy mercy is more than a match for my heart Which wonders to feel its own hardness depart Dissolved by Thy goodness, I fall to the ground And weep for the praise of the mercy I've found

Great Father of mercies, Thy goodness I own And the covenant love of Thy crucified Son All praise to the Spirit whose whisper divine Seals mercy and pardon and righteousness mine All praise to the Spirit whose whisper divine Seals mercy and pardon and righteousness mine

Doxology Old Hundredth

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow. Praise him, all creatures here below. Praise him above, ye heav'nly host. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Celebrant All things come from you, O Lord,
People And of your own have we given you.

THE SURSUM CORDA

Standing at the Holy Table with the Bishop and other Ministers, the newly ordained Priest joins in the celebration of the Holy Communion and in the Breaking of the Bread.

CelebrantThe Lord be with you.PeopleAnd with your spirit.CelebrantLift up your hearts.

People We lift them up to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give him thanks and praise.

The People in a loud voice respond

Amen.

The People remain standing as the new Priest is vested according to the Order of Priests.

As the Priest is vested with a stole, the Bishop says

Take the yoke of the Lord, for his yoke is easy and his burden is light.

The Bishop then anoints the hands of the new Priest with the Oil of Chrism, saying

Grant, O Lord, to consecrate and sanctify these hands by this unction and by our blessing, that whatsoever they bless may be blessed, and whatsoever they consecrate may be consecrated and sanctified, in the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

The Bishop then gives the new Priest a Bible in one hand and a chalice in the other hand saying

Take authority to preach the Word of God and to administer the Holy Sacraments. Do not forget the trust committed to you as a Priest in the Church of God.

THE PEACE

Bishop The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And with your spirit.

THE OFFERTORY

Thy Mercy, My God

John Stocker, Sandra McCracken CCLI 3422560

Thy mercy, my God is the theme of my song The joy of my heart and the boast of my tongue Thy free grace alone from the first to the last Hath won my affections and bound my soul fast

- Make me go in the path of your commandments, * for therein is my desire.
- Incline my heart to your testimonies, * and not to covetous desires.
- O turn away my eyes, lest they behold vanity, * and revive me in your ways.
- Confirm your word to your servant, * and to all those who fear you.
- Take away the reproach that I am afraid of, * for your judgments are good.
- Behold, my delight is in your precepts; *
 O revive me in your righteousness.

THE SECOND LESSON

Ephesians 4:7-16

Mrs. Cecelia Hermankevich

But grace was given to each one of us according to the measure of Christ's gift. Therefore it says,

"When he ascended on high he led a host of captives, and he gave gifts to men."

(In saying, "He ascended," what does it mean but that he had also descended into the lower regions, the earth? He who descended is the one who also ascended far above all the heavens, that he might fill all things.) And he gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the shepherds and teachers, to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, until we all attain to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to mature manhood, to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ, so that we may no longer be children, tossed to and fro by the waves and carried about by every wind of doctrine, by human cunning, by craftiness in deceitful schemes. Rather, speaking the truth in love, we are to grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, from whom the whole body, joined and held together by every joint with which it is equipped, when each part is working properly, makes the body grow so that it builds itself up in love.

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

Please stand and join in singing, turning as the cross passes.

SEQUENCE HYMN

Be Thou My Vision

F. Bland Tucker, Thomas Tallis, Hymnal #488

Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart; All else be nought to me, save that thou art— Thou my best thought, by day or by night, Waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.

Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true word; I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord; Thou my great Father; thine own may I be; Thou in my dwelling, and I one with thee.

THE GOSPEL

Luke 10:1-9

The Ven. Dr. Mark Stevenson

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

After this the Lord appointed seventy-two others and sent them on ahead of him, two by two, into every town and place where he himself was about to go. And he said to them, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few. Therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest. Go your way; behold, I am sending you out as lambs in the midst of wolves. Carry no moneybag, no knapsack, no sandals, and greet no one on the road. Whatever house you enter, first say, 'Peace be to this house!' And if a son of peace is there, your peace will rest upon him. But if not, it will return to you. And remain in the same house, eating and drinking what they provide, for the laborer deserves his wages. Do not go from house to house. Whenever you enter a town and they receive you, eat what is set before you. Heal the sick in it and say to them, 'The kingdom of God has come near to you.'

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.
People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE CONSECRATION OF THE PRIEST

All remain standing as witnesses, except the Priest Ordinand, who kneels facing the Bishop.

The Bishop prays the following prayer, first saying

Let us pray.

Almighty God and most merciful Father, of your infinite love and goodness you have given your only Son Jesus Christ to be our redeemer and the author of everlasting life. After he had made perfect our redemption by his death and resurrection, and ascended into heaven, he sent into the whole world his apostles, prophets, evangelists, pastors, and teachers; by the Holy Spirit, through their labor and ministry, he gathered together a great flock to set forth the eternal praise of your holy Name. For these great benefits, and because you have called this your servant to the same office and ministry, we offer you our most hearty thanks; and we humbly ask that we may daily increase in the knowledge and faith of you and of your Son, and that by this minister, as well as by those entrusted to his care, your holy Name may for ever be glorified, and your blessed kingdom enlarged; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Bishop with the Priests present lay their hands upon the head of each one to receive the Order of Priesthood. The Bishop says

Receive the Holy Spirit for the office and work of a Priest in the Church of God, now committed to you by the imposition of our hands. If you forgive the sins of anyone, they are forgiven. If you withhold forgiveness from anyone, it is withheld. Be a faithful minister of God's holy Word and Sacraments; in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

The Bishop then prays the following over the Ordinand.

Send your heavenly blessing upon this your servant, that he may be clothed with righteousness, and that your Word, spoken by his mouth, may have such success that it may never be spoken in vain. Grant also that we may have grace to hear and receive what he shall deliver out of your most holy Word as the means of our salvation; that in all our words and deeds we may seek your glory and the increase of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, world without end.

Then the Bishop lays his hands upon the head of the one to be made Deacon, who humbly kneels before him, and says

Receive the Holy Spirit for the Office and work of a Deacon in the Church of God, now committed to you by the imposition of my hands; in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

The Bishop then prays the following over the Ordinand.

In your great goodness, O Lord, make this your servant a Deacon in your Church; give him grace to be modest, humble, and constant in his ministry; give him a ready will to observe all spiritual discipline; and with the testimony of a good conscience always before him, may he continue stable and strong in the service of your Son Jesus Christ, to whom be glory and honor, world without end.

The People in a loud voice respond

Amen.

The People remain standing as the new Deacon is vested according to the Order of Deacons.

As the Deacon is vested with a maniple, the Bishop says
Receive this maniple as a sign of your service, for your Lord came among us as
one who served.

As the Deacon is vested with a stole, the Bishop says
Receive this stole as a sign of the yoke of Christ, your Savior.

The Bishop then gives the new Deacon a Book of Gospels or New Testament saying

Take the authority to read the Gospel in the Church of God and to teach the same.

SEQUENCE HYMN

Be Thou My Vision

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High King of heaven, when victory is won, May I reach heaven's joys, bright heaven's Sun! Heart of my own heart, whatever befall, Still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

THE SERMON

The Rt. Rev. Alex Cameron Bishop of the Anglican Diocese of Pittsburgh

THE NICENE CREED

All stand to recite the Nicene Creed, the Bishop first saying Let us confess our faith in the words of the Nicene Creed:

Bishop and People

We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, visible and invisible.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven,
was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

THE EXHORTATION OF DEACONS

All are seated except the Ordinand, who stands before the Bishop.

The Bishop addresses the Ordinand as follows

It belongs to the office of a Deacon to share in the humility and service of our Lord Jesus Christ, for the strengthening of the Church, which is his body. You are to read the Gospel and proclaim Christ at all times through your service, to instruct both young and old in the Catechism, and, at the direction of the Bishop or Priest, to baptize and preach.

You are to assist the Priest in public worship, to guide the intercessions of the Congregation, to aid in the administration of Holy Communion, and to carry the Sacrament to those who are kept from the Table by illness, infirmity, or imprisonment.

Furthermore, you are to interpret to the Church the needs, concerns, and hopes of the world. It is the Deacon's office to encourage and equip the household of God to care for the stranger, to embrace the poor and helpless, and to seek them out, so that they may be relieved.

VENI, CREATOR SPIRITUS

Come. Holy Ghost

by Bruce Benedict and Ray Mills, alt.

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Come, Holy Ghost, Creator Blest, and in our hearts take up thy rest; come with thy grace and heav'nly aid to fill our hearts which thou hast made, to fill our hearts which thou hast made.

O Comforter, to thee we cry, thou heav'nly gift of God most high, thou fount of life, and fire of love, and sweet anointing from above, and sweet anointing from above.

Refrain

Be not afraid, where you go, there I am with you. Be not afraid, where you go, there I am with you, where you go, there I am with you.

O Holy Ghost, through thee alone know we the Father and the Son; be this our firm unchanging creed, in thee the Church finds unity, in thee the Church finds unity.

Praise we the Lord, Father and Son, and Holy Spirit with them one; and may the Son on us bestow all gifts that from the Spirit flow, all gifts that from the Spirit flow. *Refrain*

THE ORDINATION OF THE DEACONS

All now stand as witnesses, except the Diaconal Ordinand, who kneels facing the Bishop. The Bishop then prays the following prayer, first saying

Let us pray.

O God, most merciful Father, you sent your Son Jesus Christ to take upon himself the form of a servant. He humbled himself, becoming obedient even to death on a Cross. Yet you have highly exalted him, and made him Lord of all. For this great mystery, and for *this your servant* whom you now call to obedience after his example, we offer you our most hearty thanks; and we ask that we may daily increase in humility and service, that by *his* ministry as well as by those with whom *he serves*, your holy Name may for ever be glorified, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Answer I will, the Lord being my helper.

Bishop Will you be diligent to frame and fashion your own life and the life

of your family, according to the doctrine of Christ, and to make yourself and them, as much as you are able, a wholesome example

and pattern to the flock of Christ?

Answer I will, the Lord being my helper.

Bishop Will you maintain and set forward, as much as you are able,

quietness, peace, and love among all Christian people, and especially among those who are or shall be committed to your

charge?

Answer I will, the Lord being my helper.

Bishop Will you reverently obey your Bishop and other chief Ministers

who, according to the Canons of the Church, may have charge and authority over you, following with a glad mind and a good will their godly admonitions, and submitting yourself to their

godly judgments?

Answer I will, the Lord being my helper.

The Congregation may kneel, and prays silently for the fulfillment of these purposes.

The Bishop prays

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who has given you a good will to do all these things, grant you also the strength and power to perform them, accomplishing in you the good work which he has begun, that you may be found perfect and without reproach on the last day; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Both of the Ordinands kneel or lie prostrate, facing the Bishop, with the priests present surrounding the Ordinands.

THE EXAMINATION OF DEACONS

The Bishop examines the Ordinand as follows

Will you take up this charge gladly and willingly?

Answer I will, the Lord being my helper.

Bishop Do you trust that you are inwardly moved by the Holy Spirit to

take upon yourself this Office and ministry, to serve God for the

promoting of his glory and the edifying of his people?

Answer I do so trust.

Bishop Do you believe that you are truly called, according to the will of

our Lord Jesus Christ, and in accordance with the Canons of this

Church, to this Office and ministry?

Answer I do so believe.

Bishop Are you persuaded that the Holy Scriptures contain all things

necessary for salvation through faith in Jesus Christ?

Answer I am so persuaded.

Bishop Will you diligently read these Scriptures to the people assembled

in the church where you are appointed to serve?

Answer I will.

Bishop Will you be diligent to frame and fashion your own life and the life

of your family, according to the Doctrine of Christ, and to make yourself and them, as much as you are able, wholesome examples

and patterns to the flock of Christ?

Answer I will, the Lord being my helper.

Bishop Will you reverently obey your Bishop and other Ministers who,

according to the Canons of the Church, may have charge and authority over you, following with a glad mind and a good will their godly admonitions, and submitting yourself to their godly

judgments?

Answer I will, the Lord being my helper.

THE EXHORTATION OF PRIESTS

The Ordinand stands before the Bishop, who addresses the Ordinand as follows You have heard, during the Church's discernment of your vocation and in the Holy Scriptures themselves, how weighty is this Office to which you are called. I now exhort you, in the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to be a messenger, watchman, and steward of the Lord. You are to teach, to warn, to feed, and to provide for the Lord's family, and to seek for Christ's sheep who are in the midst of this fallen world, that they may be saved through Christ for ever.

Remember how great is this treasure committed to your charge. They are the sheep of Christ for whom he shed his blood. The Church and Congregation whom you will serve is his bride, his body. If the Church, or any of her members, is hurt or hindered by your negligence, you must know both the gravity of your fault, and the grievous judgment that will result.

Therefore, consider the purpose of your ministry to the children of God. Work diligently, with your whole heart, to bring those in your care into the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of God, and to maturity in Christ, that there may be among you neither error in religion nor immorality in life. Finally, equip and lead your Congregation to proclaim tirelessly the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

And seeing that the demands of this holy Office are so great, lay aside all worldly distractions and take care to direct all that you do to this purpose: read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest the Scriptures, that you may show yourself both dutiful and thankful to the Lord; and frame your conduct, and that of your household and those committed to your care, according to the doctrine and discipline of Christ. Know, however, that you cannot accomplish this of yourself; for the will and the ability needed are given by God alone. Therefore, pray earnestly for his Holy Spirit to enlighten your mind and strengthen your resolve.

THE EXAMINATION OF PRIESTS

The Bishop then examines the Ordinand, saying

So that this Congregation of Christ's Church may know your intent in these things, I charge you to answer plainly these questions, which I, in the Name of God and his Church, now ask:

Do you believe in your heart that you are truly called, according to the will of our Lord Jesus Christ, and according to the Canons of this Church, to the Order and ministry of the Priesthood?

Answer I do so believe.

Bishop Do you believe that the Holy Scriptures contain all things necessary for salvation through faith in Jesus Christ? And are you

determined out of the Holy Scriptures to instruct the people committed to your charge, and to teach or maintain nothing as necessary to eternal salvation but that which may be concluded

and proved by the Scriptures?

Answer I do so believe, and I am so determined, the Lord being my helper.

Bishop Will you then give your faithful diligence always so to minister the

doctrine, sacraments, and discipline of Christ, as the Lord has commanded and as this Church has received them, according to the Commandments of God, so that you may teach the people committed to your charge with all diligence to keep and observe

them?

Answer I will, the Lord being my helper.

Bishop Will you be ready, with all faithful diligence, to banish and drive

away from the Body of Christ all erroneous and strange doctrines contrary to God's Word; and to use both public and private admonitions and exhortations, to the weak as well as the strong within your charge, as need shall require and occasion shall be

given?

Answer I will, the Lord being my helper.

Bishop Will you be diligent in prayer, and in the reading of Holy Scripture,

and in such study as may further the knowledge of the same,

laying aside all distractions of the world and the flesh?