

The Ordination of Twig David Sargent to the Sacred Order of Priests

5th November, A.D. 2026
Six-thirty in the Evening

St. Helena's Anglican Church

Beaufort, South Carolina

The Anglican Diocese of South Carolina
The Rt Revd Charles Francis Edgar III

THE FORM AND MANNER OF

ORDAINING A PRIEST

Opening Voluntaries

Cornetto Sonata No. 1 in F, I. Allegro - Baldassare, Arr. R.P. Block and John Beer
Organ Sonata No. 4, III. Allegretto - Mendelssohn, Arr. Luke Sargent and Katie Gunn

Hymn in Procession **THE CHURCH'S ONE FOUNDATION**

Aurelia

The Church's one foundation is Jesus Christ her Lord;
She is his new creation by water and the word;
From heav'n he came and sought her to be his holy bride;
With his own blood he bought her, and for her life he died.

Elect from ev'ry nation, yet one o'er all the earth,
Her charter of salvation, one Lord, one faith, one birth;
One holy name she blesses, partakes one holy food,
And to one hope she presses, with ev'ry grace endued.

Though with a scornful wonder men see her sore oppressed,
By schisms rent asunder, by heresies distressed,
Yet saints their watch are keeping; Their cry goes up, "How long?"
And soon the night of weeping shall be the morn of song.

'Mid toil and tribulation, and tumult of her war,
She waits the consummation of peace for evermore,
Till with the vision glorious her longing eyes are blest,
And the great Church victorious shall be the Church at rest.

Yet she on earth hath union with God, the Three in One,
And mystic sweet communion with those whose rest is won.
O happy ones and holy! Lord, give us grace, that we,
Like them, the meek and lowly, on high may dwell with thee.

The People standing, the Bishop says

Bishop Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever.**
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 Bishop and People pray

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 the Ordinand, saying

Right Reverend Father in God, we present Twig David Sargent 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 then requires the Ordinand to take the Oath of Conformity saying

The Canons require 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 Ordinand declares

I, Twig Sargent, 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.

The Ordinand then declares the following Oath of Canonical Obedience, saying

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 the Anglican Diocese of South Carolina, and his successors, so help me God.

The Ordinand then signs 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 Twig Sargent for ordination to the sacred Order of Priests. 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.

If no objection is made, the Bishop continues

Is it your will that Twig be ordained a Priest?

People **It is.**

Bishop Will you uphold him in his ministry?

People **We will.**

Bishop In peace let us pray to the Lord.

THE LITANY FOR ORDINATIONS

The Litanist leads the Litany for Ordinations. The Ordinand either kneels or lies prostrate during the Litany.

O God the Father,
Have mercy upon us.
O God the Son,
Have mercy upon us.
O God the Holy Spirit,
Have mercy upon us.
O Holy Trinity, one God,
Have mercy upon us.
We beseech you to hear us, good Lord: That it may please you to grant peace to the whole world and to your Church,
We beseech you to hear us, good Lord.
That it may please you to sanctify and bless your holy Church throughout the world;
We beseech you to hear us, good Lord.
That it may please you to inspire all Bishops, Priests, and Deacons, with the love of you and your truth.
We beseech you to hear us, good Lord.
That it may please you to endue all ministers of your Church with devotion to your glory and to the salvation of souls;
We beseech you to hear us, good Lord.
That it may please you to bless this your servant, now to be admitted to the Order of Priests, and to pour your grace upon him, that he may duly exercise his office to the edification of your Church, and to the glory of your holy Name,
We beseech you to hear us, good Lord.
That it may please you to guide by your indwelling Spirit those whom you call to the ministry of your Church; that they may go forward with courage, and persevere to the end;
We beseech you to hear us, good Lord.
That it may please you to increase the number of ministers in your Church, that the Gospel may be preached to all people;
We beseech you to hear us, good Lord.
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.
That it may please you to hasten the fulfillment of your purpose, that your Church may be one;
We beseech you to hear us, good Lord.
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.
Lord, have mercy upon us.
Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.

Hear us, O Lord, when we cry out to you;
Have mercy upon us and hear us.
O Lord, arise and help us;

And deliver us for your Name's sake.
Let your priests be clothed with righteousness;
And let your saints sing with joy.
O Lord, hear our prayer;
And let our cry come to you.

At the conclusion of the Litany for Ordinations, the Bishop stands and prays the following collect, first saying

The Lord be with you.
People **And with your spirit.**
Bishop Let us pray.

Almighty God, giver of all good things, by your Holy Spirit you have appointed various Orders of Ministers in your Church: mercifully behold this your servant now called to the Order of Priests, and so fill him with the truth of your doctrine and adorn him with holiness of life, that by word and good example he may faithfully serve you in this office, 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 LESSONS

The People are seated.

The First Lesson Isaiah 6.[1-8]

In the year that King Uzziah died I saw the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up; and the
train of his robe filled the temple. [2] Above him stood the seraphim. Each had six wings: with two
he covered his face, and with two he covered his feet, and with two he flew. [3] And one called to
another and said: "Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts; the whole earth is full of his
glory!" And the foundations of the thresholds shook at the voice of him who called, and the house
was filled with smoke. [5] And I said: "Woe is me! For I am lost; for I am a man of unclean lips, and
I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; for my eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts!"
[6] Then one of the seraphim flew to me, having in his hand a burning coal that he had taken with
tongs from the altar. [7] And he touched my mouth and said: "Behold, this has touched your lips;
your guilt is taken away, and your sin atoned for." [8] And I heard the voice of the Lord saying,
"Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" Then I said, "Here I am! Send me."

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

The Psalm *[to be read responsively by half-verse]* Psalm 119.[33-40]

[33] Teach me, O Lord, the way of your statutes, *
and I shall keep it to the end.
[34] Give me understanding, and I shall keep your law; *
indeed, I shall keep it with my whole heart.
[35] Make me go in the path of your commandments, *
for therein is my desire.
[36] Incline my heart to your testimonies, *
and not to covetous desires.
[37] O turn away my eyes, lest they behold vanity, *

and revive me in your ways.
[38] Confirm your word to your servant, *
and to all those who fear you.
[39] Take away the reproach that I am afraid of, *
for your judgments are good.
[40] Behold, my delight is in your precepts; *
O revive me in your righteousness.

The Epistle Philippians 4.[4-9]

[4] Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, rejoice. [5] Let your reasonableness be known to everyone. The Lord is at hand; [6] do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. [7] And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. [8] Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. [9] What you have learned and received and heard and seen in me—practice these things, and the God of peace will be with you.

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

Sequence Hymn **ETERNAL FATHER, STRONG TO SAVE** *Melita*

Eternal Father, strong to save, whose arm hath bound the restless wave,
Who bidd'st the mighty ocean deep its own appointed limits keep:
O hear us when we cry to thee for those in peril on the sea.

O Christ, whose voice the waters heard, and hushed their raging at thy word,
Who walkedst on the foaming deep, and calm amid its rage didst sleep:
O hear us when we cry to thee for those in peril on the sea.

Most Holy Spirit, who didst brood upon the chaos dark and rude,
And bid its angry tumult cease, and give for wild confusion, peace:
O hear us when we cry to thee for those in peril on the sea.

O Trinity of love and pow'r, our brethren shield in danger's hour;
From rock and tempest, fire and foe, protect them whereso e'er they go;
Thus evermore shall rise to thee glad hymns of praise from land and sea.

The Holy Gospel John 10.[1-16]

All Standing, the Deacon reads the Gospel, first saying

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Saint John.
People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

"Truly, truly, I say to you, he who does not enter the sheepfold by the door but climbs in by another way, that man is a thief and a robber. [2] But he who enters by the door is the shepherd of the sheep. [3] To him the gatekeeper opens. The sheep hear his voice, and he calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. [4] When he has brought out all his own, he goes before them, and the sheep follow him, for

they know his voice. [5] A stranger they will not follow, but they will flee from him, for they do not know the voice of strangers." [6] This figure of speech Jesus used with them, but they did not understand what he was saying to them. [7] So Jesus again said to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, I am the door of the sheep. [8] All who came before me are thieves and robbers, but the sheep did not listen to them. [9] I am the door. If anyone enters by me, he will be saved and will go in and out and find pasture. [10] The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life and have it abundantly. [11] I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. [12] He who is a hired hand and not a shepherd, who does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and flees, and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. [13] He flees because he is a hired hand and cares nothing for the sheep. [14] I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, [15] just as the Father knows me and I know the Father; and I lay down my life for the sheep. [16] And I have other sheep that are not of this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd.

After the Gospel, the Deacon says:

The Gospel of the Lord.
People **Praise to You, Lord Christ.**

THE SERMON **The Revd David Nelson**

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

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

The Bishop 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 whom you will serve is his bride, his body. If the Church, or any of his 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 God's people 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

The Bishop examines the Ordinand as follows

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:

Bishop 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?
Ordinand 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?
Ordinand 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?
Ordinand 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?
Ordinand 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?
Ordinand 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?
Ordinand 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?
Ordinand 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?
Ordinand I will, the Lord being my helper.

The Congregation prays silently for the fulfillment of these purposes.

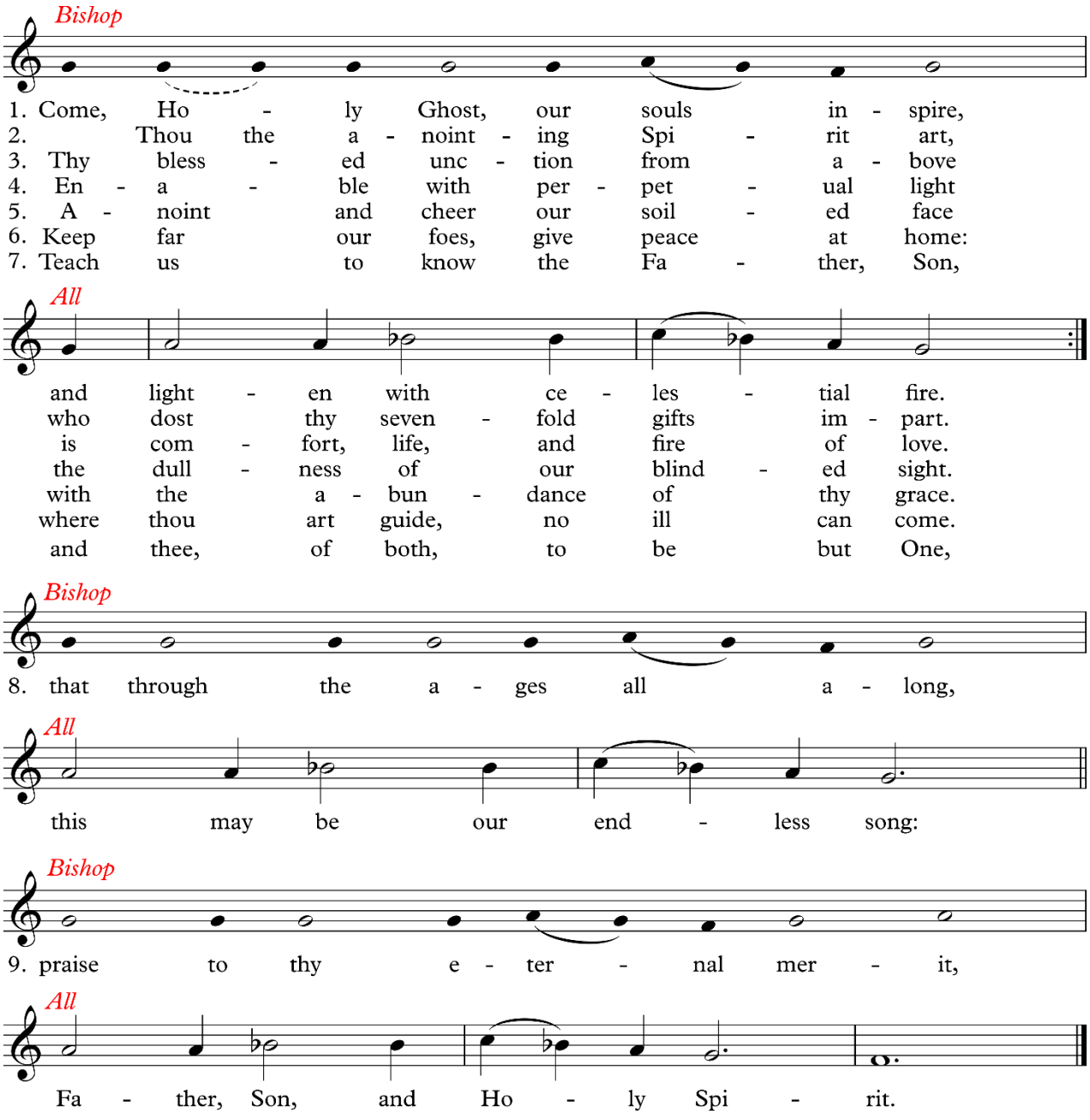
The Bishop prays

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.**

All may kneel.

The Ordinand shall kneel or lie prostrate, facing the Bishop. The Veni Creator Spiritus or other hymn to the Holy Spirit may be sung or said as a prayer for the renewal of the Church.

Hymn to the Holy Spirit *Veni Creator Spiritus*



Text: Latin, 9th cent.; tr. John Cosin (1594-1672); para. of *Veni Creator Spiritus*
Music: COME HOLY GHOST, John Henry Hopkins Jr. (1820-1891); adapt. David Hurd (b. 1950)

THE ORDINATION OF THE PRIEST

All now stand as witnesses, except the Ordinand, who kneels facing the Bishop.

The Bishop then 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 the Ordinand. 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.

The People in a loud voice respond

Amen.

The new Priest may now be vested according to the Order of Priests.

As the Priest is vested with the Stole, the Bishop says

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

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

Receive this priestly garment which symbolizes charity; for God is well able to give you an increase of charity and a perfect work.

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

The Bishop then says to the People

The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People **And with your spirit.**

THE OFFERTORY

Offer unto God a sacrifice of thanksgiving, and pay your vows unto the Most High.
[Today's offering will be given to the discretionary fund of the Ordinand.]

Offertory Hymn **FOR THE BEAUTY OF THE EARTH** *Dix*

For the beauty of the earth,
For the beauty of the skies,
For the love which from our birth
Over and around us lies,
Lord of all, to thee we raise
This our hymn of grateful praise.

For the beauty of each hour
Of the day and of the night.
Hill and vale, and tree and flow'r,
Sun and moon, and stars of light,
Lord of all, to thee we raise
This our hymn of grateful praise.

For the joy of ear and eye,
For the heart and mind's delight,
For the mystic harmony
Linking sense to sound and sight,
Lord of all, to thee we raise
This our hymn of grateful praise.

For the joy of human love,
Brother, sister, parent, child,
Friends on earth and friends above,
For all gentle thoughts and mild,
Lord of all, to thee we raise
This our hymn of grateful praise.

For each perfect gift of thine
To our race so freely giv'n,
Graces human and divine,

Flow'rs of earth and buds of heav'n,
Lord of all, to thee we raise
This our hymn of grateful praise.

The People stand while the offerings are presented.

THE DOXOLOGY

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 Yours, O Lord, is the greatness, and the power, and the glory, and the victory, and the majesty: for everything in heaven and on earth is yours; yours is the kingdom, O Lord, and you are exalted as Head above all. All things come from you, O Lord,

People **And of your own have we given you.**

THE HOLY COMMUNION

THE SURSUM CORDA

The People remain standing. The Celebrant faces them and says

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People **And with your spirit.**
Celebrant Lift 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 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 SANTCUS AND BENEDICTUS *(sung)*

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

THE PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

The People stand or kneel. 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 Jesus Christ 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."

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.

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, that he may dwell in us and we in him. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us with all your saints into the joy 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

The Bishop invites the People to pray, saying

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

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.
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

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.
People **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

THE PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

Celebrant and People together

We do not presume to come to this your table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in your abundant and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table; but you are the same Lord whose character is always to have mercy. Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body, and our souls washed through his most precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. *Amen*.

THE AGNUS DEI *(sung)*

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,
Have mercy upon us.
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,
Have mercy upon us.
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,
Grant us thy peace.

THE MINISTRATION OF COMMUNION

Celebrant 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.

Communion Songs

In Christ Alone
Keith Getty, Stuart Townend

In Christ alone my hope is found;
He is my light, my strength, my song;
This Cornerstone, this solid ground,
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm.
What heights of love, what depths of peace,
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease!
My comforter, my all in all,
Here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone, who took on flesh,
Fullness of God in helpless babe!

This gift of love and righteousness,
Scorned by the ones He came to save.
Till on that cross, as Jesus died,
The wrath of God was satisfied—
For every sin on Him was laid;
Here in the death of Christ I stand.

There in the ground His body lay,
Light of the world by darkness slain.
Then bursting forth in glorious day,
Up from the grave He rose again!
And as He stands in victory,
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me,
For I am His and He is mine—
Bought with the precious blood of Christ.

No guilt in life, no fear in death,
This is the power of Christ in me;
From life's first cry to final breath,
Jesus commands my destiny.
No power of hell, no scheme of man,
Can ever pluck me from His hand;
Till He returns or calls me home,
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand.

How Sweet and Aweful is the Place

St. Columba

How sweet and aweful is the place
With Christ within the doors,
While everlasting love displays
The choicest of her stores

While all our hearts and all our songs
Join to admire the feast,
Each one cries out, with thankful tongue,
Lord, why was I a guest?

Why was I made to hear thy voice,
And enter while there's room,
When thousands make a wretched choice,
And rather starve than come?

'Twas that same love which spread the feast
That sweetly drew us in;
Else we had still refused to taste,
And perished in our sin.

Pity the nations, O our God;
Constrain the earth to come;
Send thy victorious Word abroad,
And bring the strangers home.

We long to see thy churches full,
What all the chosen race
May, with one voice, and heart and soul,
Sing thy redeeming grace.

My God, Thy Table Now is Spread
Rockingham

My God, thy table now is spread,
Thy cup with love doth overflow;
Be all thy children thither led,
And let them thy sweet mercies know.

O let thy table honored be,
And furnished well with joyful guests;
And may each soul salvation see
That here its sacred pledges tastes.

Drawn by thy quick'ning grace, O Lord,
In countless numbers let them come
And gather from their Father's board
The Bread that lives beyond the tomb.

Nor let thy spreading gospel rest,
Till through the world thy truth has run;
Till with this Bread all men be blest
Who see the light or feel the sun.

THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

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.

All standing, the newly-ordained Priest prays the following Collect

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 Bishop then invites 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.**

Hymn in Procession **CHRIST IS MADE THE SURE FOUNDATION** Westminster Abbey

Christ is made the sure foundation, Christ the head and cornerstone,
Chosen of the Lord, and precious, Binding all the Church in one,
Holy Zion's help for ever, and her confidence alone.

All that dedicated city, dearly loved of God on high,
In exultant jubilation pours perpetual melody,
God the One in Three adoring in glad hymns eternally.

To this temple, where we call thee, come, O Lord of hosts, today;
With thy wonted loving kindness hear thy servants as they pray,
And thy fullest benediction shed within its walls alway.

Here vouchsafe to all thy servants what they ask of thee to gain,
What they gain from thee, for ever with the blessed to retain,
And here after in thy glory evermore with thee to reign.

The Deacon dismisses the People saying

Alleluia! Alleluia! Let us go forth into the world rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit!
People **Thanks be to God! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

Closing Voluntary *In Thee is Gladness BWV 615 - Johann Sebastian Bach*

A reception will follow in the Parish Hall.

Serving in Worship

Presenter – The Revd Hunter Jordan

Presenter – The Revd Dr. Emil Klatt III

Presenter – Chuck Hruska

Litanist – The Revd Camden Windham

First Lesson – Jai Dowell

Psalm – The Very Revd Shay Gaillard

Epistle – Joanna Sargent

Gospel – The Revd Jim Cato

Preacher – The Revd David Nelson

Celebrant – The Rt Revd Chip Edgar, Bishop

Bishop's Chaplain – The Revd Doug Ringer

Organist – Holton Johnson, Lydia Sargent (Offertory Hymn)

Musicians - Luke Sargent, Trumpet; Katie Gunn, Organ

Choir – St. Helena's Parish Choir

Crucifer – Paul Cash

Ushers – Bill Deloache, Wynn Englisbe, Pete Palmer III, Jim Thomas