



**Metropolitan New York Synod**  
**Evangelical Lutheran Church in America**  
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HOLY COMMUNION WITH THE RITE OF ORDINATION  
TO THE MINISTRY OF WORD AND SACRAMENT IN CHRIST'S  
ONE HOLY CATHOLIC AND APOSTOLIC CHURCH

**LEONARD ALEXANDER DUNCAN, JR.**

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**Friday in the Sixth Week of Easter**

**May 11, 2018**

**7:30 in the evening**

PRELUDE

GATHERING AT THE FONT

*Please stand as you are able.*

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✠ one God,  
the fountain of living water,  
the rock who gave us birth,  
our light and our salvation.

**Amen**

A reading from Revelation.

Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism,  
we are clothed with God's mercy and forgiveness.  
Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

We give you thanks, O God,  
for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters  
and by your Word you created the world,  
calling forth life in which you took delight.

Through the waters of the flood you delivered Noah and his family.  
Through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery into freedom.  
At the river your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit.  
By water and your Word you claim us as daughters and sons,  
making us heirs of your promise and servants of all.

We praise you for the gift of water that sustains life,  
and above all we praise you for the gift of new life in Jesus Christ.  
Shower us with your Spirit,  
and renew our lives with your forgiveness, grace, and love.

To you be given honor and praise  
through Jesus Christ our Lord  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

**Amen**

## HYMN



- 1 O liv-ing Breath of God, wind at the be-gin - ning up-on the wa - ters;
- 2 O liv-ing Breath of God, by whose pow'r the Son came to birth a - mong us;
- 3 O liv-ing Breath of God, bear-ing us to life through bap-tis-mal wa - ters;



- O liv-ing Breath of God, bear-ing the cre - a - tion to won-drous birth:
- O liv-ing Breath of God, who to the cre - a - tion gives life a - new:
- O liv-ing Breath of God, sigh-ing with cre - a - tion for free-dom's birth:

### *Refrain*



Come now, and fill our spir - its; pour out your gifts a - bun - dant.



O liv-ing Breath of God, Ho-ly Spir-it, breathe in us as we pray.

## EASTER ACCLAMATION

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

**Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

## GREETING

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

**And also with you.**

## CANTICLE OF PRAISE: THIS IS THE FEAST

*Refrain*

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,

al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb

who was slain, whose blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.

*Refrain*

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,

al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 2 Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and

strength, and hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are his.

*Refrain*

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,

al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 3 Sing with all the peo - ple of

God, and join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless - ing, hon - or,

glo - ry, and might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

*Refrain*  
This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God. Al - le - lu - ia,

al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 4 For the Lamb who was

slain has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.

*Final refrain*  
This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

Almighty and merciful God, you built your church on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, and you instituted the office of the ministry of word and sacrament so that the apostolic and prophetic work might continue throughout the ages. Grant that Leonard Alexander Duncan, Jr., now to be ordained, may carry out this ministry faithfully in the power of your Spirit; through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen**

READING ✠ ISAIAH 61:1-9

*The assembly responds:*

**Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 122

*Sung by the Schola in a setting by David Hurd.*

I was glad when they said to me,

“Let us go to the house of the Lord.”

Now our feet are standing

within your gates, O Jerusalem.

Jerusalem is built as a city

that is at unity with itself;

to which the tribes go up, the tribes of the Lord,

the assembly of Israel, to praise the name of the Lord.

For there are the thrones of judgment,

the thrones of the house of David.

Pray for the peace of Jerusalem:

“May they prosper who love you.

Peace be within your walls

and quietness within your towers.

For the sake of my kindred and companions,

I pray for your prosperity.

Because of the house of the Lord our God,

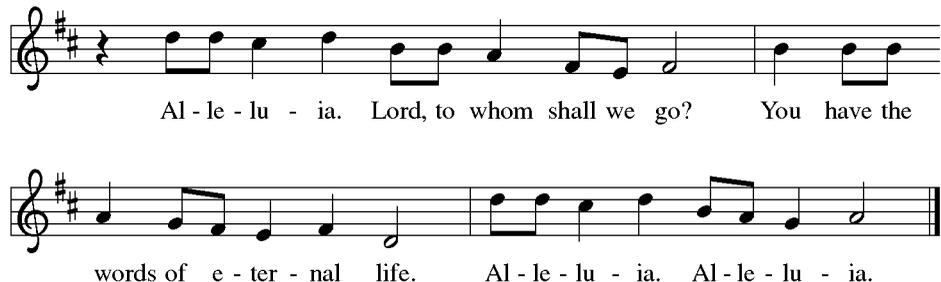
I will seek to do you good.”

READING ✠ 1 CORINTHIANS 12:1-13

*The assembly responds:*

**Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the  
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

HOLY GOSPEL ✠ SAINT LUKE 4:14-21

*Before the gospel:*

The Holy Gospel  
according to Saint Luke.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

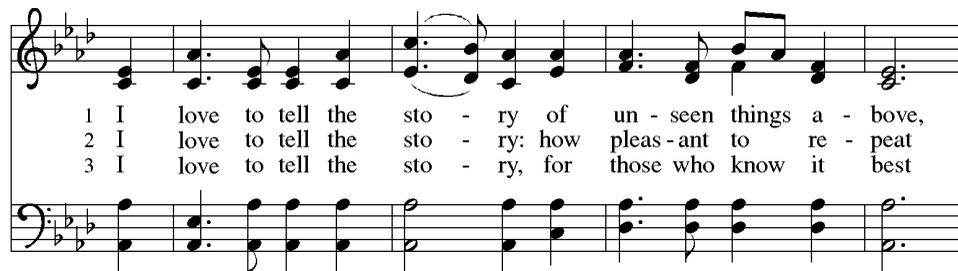
*After the gospel:*

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY



1 I love to tell the sto - ry of un - seen things a - bove,  
2 I love to tell the sto - ry: how pleas - ant to re - peat  
3 I love to tell the sto - ry, for those who know it best

of Je - sus and his glo - ry, of Je - sus and his love.  
 what seems, each time I tell it, more won - der - ful - ly sweet!  
 seem hun - ger - ing and thirst - ing to hear it like the rest.

I love to tell the sto - ry, be - cause I know it's true;  
 I love to tell the sto - ry, for some have nev - er heard  
 And when, in scenes of glo - ry, I sing the new, new song,

it sat - is - fies my long - ings as noth - ing else would do.  
 the mes - sage of sal - va - tion from God's own ho - ly word.  
 I'll sing the old, old sto - ry that I have loved so long.

*Refrain*

I love to tell the sto - ry; 'twill be my theme in glo - ry

to tell the old, old sto - ry of Je - sus and his love.

## NICENE CREED

We believe in one God,

**the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only 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 of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary  
and became truly human.**

**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,\***

**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 phrase "and the Son" is a later addition to the creed.*

## PRESENTATION

I present for ordination to the ministry of word and sacrament Leonard Alexander Duncan, Jr., who has been prepared, examined, and approved for this ministry and who has been called by the church to this ministry through the Metropolitan New York Synod.

**Thanks be to God.**

*The assembly is seated.*

All baptized Christians are called to share in Christ's ministry of love and service in the world, to the glory of God and for the sake of the human family and the whole creation.

According to apostolic usage you are now to be entrusted with the office of word and sacrament in the one holy catholic church by the laying on of hands and by prayer.

- ✠ Saint John 20:21-23
- ✠ Saint Matthew 28:18-20
- ✠ 1 Corinthians 11:23-26

## QUESTIONS

Before almighty God, to whom you must give account, and in the presence of this assembly, I therefore ask:

Will you assume this office, believing that the church's call is God's call to the ministry of word and sacrament?

*I will, and I ask God to help me.*

The church in which you are to be ordained confesses that the holy scriptures are the word of God and are the norm of its faith and life.

We accept, teach, and confess the Apostles', the Nicene, and the Athanasian Creeds.

We also acknowledge the Lutheran Confessions as true witnesses and faithful expositions of the holy scriptures.

Will you therefore preach and teach in accordance  
with the holy scriptures and these creeds and confessions?

*I will, and I ask God to help me.*

Will you be diligent in your study of the holy scriptures  
and faithful in your use of the means of grace?

Will you pray for God's people,  
nourish them with the word and sacraments, and  
lead them by your own example in faithful service and holy living?

*I will, and I ask God to help me.*

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

*I will, and I ask God to help me.*

Almighty God, who has given you the will to do these things,  
graciously give you the strength and compassion to perform them.

**Amen**

## PRAYERS

*Please stand as you are able.*

With the whole people of God in Christ Jesus,  
let us pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation.

*Petitions are offered for the church, those who are called to serve the church  
and those in public ministry, peace, the nations, the creation, persons in any  
need, the communion of saints, each concluding:*

Gracious God,  
**hear our prayer.**

Into your hands, most gracious God,  
we commend ourselves and all for whom we pray,  
trusting in your steadfast love;  
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen**

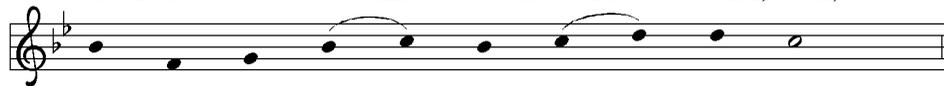
# HYMN

*Stanza 1: Schola | Stanza 2: all | Stanza 3: low voices*

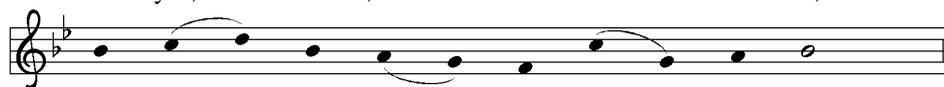
*Stanza 4: all | Stanza 5: high voices | Stanza 6: all | Stanza 7: all*



1 Cre - a - tor Spir - it, heav'n - ly dove,  
 2 To you, the Com - fort - er, we cry;  
 3 In you, with grac - es sev - en - fold,  
 4 Your light to ev - 'ry sense im - part,  
 5 Keep far from us our cru - el foe,  
 6 Teach us to know the Fa - ther, Son,



de - scend up - on us from a - bove;  
 to you, the gift of God most high,  
 we God's al - mighty - y hand be - hold;  
 and shed your love in ev - 'ry heart;  
 and peace from your own hand be - stow;  
 and you, of both, to be but one;



with grac - es man - i - fold re - store  
 true fount of life, the fire of love,  
 while you with tongues of fire pro - claim  
 your own un - fail - ing might sup - ply  
 up - held by you, our strength and guide,  
 that through the a - ges all a - long



your crea - tures as they were be - fore.  
 the soul's a - noint - ing from a - bove.  
 to all the world God's ho - ly name.  
 to strength - en our in - fir - mi - ty.  
 no e - vil can our steps be - tide.  
 your praise may be our end - less song.



7 Praise to your e - ter - nal mer - it,



Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Spir - it. A - men.

## THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal,  
we bless you for your infinite love in Christ our Lord,  
in whom we have redemption and forgiveness of sins  
according to the riches of his grace.

We thank you that by his death your Son overcame death,  
and that, raised by your mighty power, he gives us new life.

We praise you that, having ascended into heaven,  
Christ pours out his gifts abundantly on the church,  
making some apostles, some prophets,  
some pastors and teachers,  
to equip your people for their work of ministry  
for building up the body of Christ.

Eternal God, through your Son, Jesus Christ,  
pour out your Holy Spirit upon Leonard Alexander  
and fill him with the gifts of grace  
for the ministry of word and sacrament.

Bless his proclamation of your word  
and administration of your sacraments, so that your church  
may be gathered for praise and strengthened for service.  
Make him a faithful pastor, patient teacher, and wise counselor.  
Grant that in all things he may serve without reproach, that  
your people may be renewed and your name be glorified in the church;  
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord,  
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and forever.

**Amen**

*The assembly is seated.*

## GIVING OF A STOLE

✠ Saint Matthew 11:28-30

Receive this stole as a sign of your work,  
and live in obedience to the Lord Jesus,  
serving his people and remembering his promise:  
“Come to me, all you that are weary  
and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest.  
Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me;  
for I am gentle and humble in heart,  
and you will find rest for your souls.  
For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.”

## CHARGE

Hear the words of the apostles.

✠ 1 Timothy 6:11-12

✠ Acts 20:28

✠ 1 Peter 5:2-4

✠ 1 Corinthians 4:1-2

Care for God’s people, bear their burdens,  
and do not betray their confidence.  
So discipline yourself in life and teaching  
that you preserve the truth,  
giving no occasion for false security or illusory hope.  
Witness faithfully in word and deed to all people.  
Give and receive comfort as you serve within the church.  
And be of good courage, for God has called you,  
and your labor in the Lord is not in vain.

## BLESSING

The God of peace, who brought again from the dead  
our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep,  
by the blood of the eternal covenant,  
make you complete in everything good  
so that you may do God's will,  
working in you that which is pleasing in God's sight;  
through Jesus Christ, to whom be the glory forever and ever.

**Amen**

## ACCLAMATION

*Please stand as you are able.*

Sisters and brothers,  
assembled as the people of God  
and speaking for the whole church,  
will you receive Leonard Alexander  
as a messenger of Jesus Christ,  
sent by God to serve all people  
with the gospel of hope and salvation?  
Will you regard him as a servant of Christ?

**We will, and we ask God to help us.**

Will you pray for him,  
help and honor him for his work's sake, and in all things  
strive to live together in the peace and unity of Christ?

**We will, and we ask God to help us.**

Let it be acclaimed that Leonard Alexander Duncan, Jr.  
is a called and ordained minister in the church of Christ.  
He has Christ's authority to preach the word of God  
and administer the sacraments,  
serving God's people as together  
we bear God's creative and redeeming love  
to all the world.

**Amen. Thanks be to God.**

*Acclamation with applause.*

GREETING OF PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

**And also with you.**

OFFERTORY

*The offering is received for the Bishop's Discretionary Fund, which supports rostered ministers and lay leaders from our synod in times of crisis or opportunity. Write checks payable to "Metro NY Synod."*

ANTHEM

"Give Me Jesus" Spiritual—Arranged by L. L. Flemming

## AT THE PRESENTATION



1 The trum - pets sound, the an - gels sing, the feast is  
2 Ta - bles are la - den with good things; oh, taste the  
3 The hun - gry heart he sat - is - fies, of - fers the



read - y to be - gin. The gates of heav'n are o - pen wide,  
peace and joy he brings. He'll fill you up with love di - vine;  
poor his par - a - dise. Now hear all heav'n and earth ap - plaud



and Je - sus wel - comes you in - side.  
he'll turn your wa - ter in - to wine.  
the a - maz - ing good - ness of the Lord.



Sing with thank - ful - ness songs of pure de - light.



Come and rev - el in heav - en's love and light.



Take your place at the ta - ble of the King.



The feast is read - y to be - gin;



the feast is read - y to be - gin.

## PRAYER

Let us pray.

*The assembly responds: Amen*

## GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

...and join their unending hymn:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,



heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na. Ho -



san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless-ed is he who



comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san - na in the high - est.

...we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

**Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

...And let the church say, Amen.

**Amen!**

...And let the church say, Amen.

**Amen!**

...all glory and honor is yours, almighty Father, now and forever.

**Amen!**

OUR FATHER

**Our Father in heaven,**

**hallowed be your name,**

**your kingdom come,**

**your will be done,**

**on earth as in heaven.**

**Give us today our daily bread.**

**Forgive us our sins**

**as we forgive those**

**who sin against us.**

**Save us from the time of trial**

**and deliver us from evil.**

**For the kingdom, the power,**

**and the glory are yours,**

**now and forever. Amen.**

## AT THE DISTRIBUTION

*The bread is gluten free. The wine contains alcohol.  
Grape juice is available in glass chalices.*

## LAMB OF GOD

O Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world;  
have mer-cy on us. O Lamb of God, you take a - way the  
sin of the world; have mer-cy on us. O Lamb of God,  
you take a - way the sin of the world; grant us your peace.

## MOTET

“Sing Me to Heaven”—Daniel Gawthrop

In my heart’s sequestered chambers lie truths stripped of poet’s gloss.  
Words alone are vain and vacant, and my heart is mute.  
In response to aching silence memory summons half-heard voices,  
And my soul finds primal eloquence and wraps me in song.

If you would comfort me, sing me a lullaby.  
If you would win my heart, sing me a love song.  
If you would mourn me and bring me to God,  
Sing me a requiem, Sing me to heaven.

Touch in me all love and passion, pain and pleasure,  
Touch in me grief and comfort; love and passion, Pain and pleasure.

Sing me a lullaby, a love song, a requiem,  
Love me, comfort me, bring me to God:  
Sing me a love song, Sing me to heaven.

# HYMN



Je - sus is a rock in a wea - ry land, a wea - ry land, a



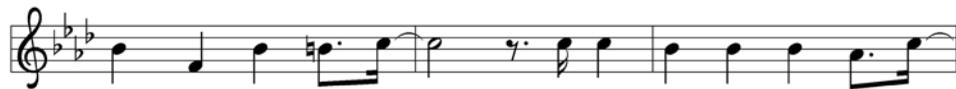
wea - ry land; my Je - sus is a rock in a



wea - ry land, a shel - ter in the time of storm.



1 No one can do like Je - sus, not a  
2 When Je - sus was on earth, . . . . . the . .  
3 Yon - der comes my Sav - ior, him . .



mum-bling word he said; he went walk - ing down to Laz-  
flesh was ver - y weak; . . he took a towel and gird-  
whom I love so well; . . he has the palm of vic-



*Refrain*

- a - rus' grave, and he raised him from the dead.  
ed him - self and he washed his dis - ci - ples' feet.  
- to - ry and the keys of death and hell.

# HYMN

*1* Ven-go\_a ti, Je - sús a - ma - do: lí - bra - me de mi pe -  
ca - do. Cal - ma, Re - den - tor, mi llan - to;  
he pe - ca - do tan - to, tan - to.  
Con la san - gre que ver - tis - te das con - sue - lo\_al al - ma  
tris - te; ham - bre tor - nas en har - tu - ra,  
sal - va - ción me das se - gu - ra.

*Refrain/Estribillo*  
¡Oh Cris - to! ¡Oh Cris - to!  
Ge - ne - ros - o tú me\_o - fre - ces la sa - lud,  
que\_a los tu - yos siem - pre das con ple - ni - tud.

2 Vida ofrece, y paz preciosa  
tu palabra poderosa;  
por unirse al elemento  
hace el santo sacramento.  
Con el pan y vino adquiero  
cuerpo y sangre del Cordero.  
¡Oh, misterio tan profundo!  
¿Quién lo entiende en este mundo?

***Estrillo***

3 Ya mi alma tú libraste,  
y el pecado tú quitaste,  
cual preludio de tu cielo,  
hoy me gozo en tu consuelo.  
Cielos, tierra, noche y día  
te den gracias a porfía:  
“Por tus múltiples favores,  
¡gracias mil y mil loores!”

***Estrillo***

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*Soul, adorn yourself with gladness, leave the gloomy haunts of sadness, come into the daylight's splendor, there with joy your praises render. Bless the one whose grace unbounded this amazing banquet founded; Christ, though heavenly, high, and holy, deigns to dwell with you most lowly.*

*Be thankful! Soul, adorn yourself with gladness, and rejoice! Bless the one whose grace unbounded is our joy.*

*Now in faith I humbly ponder over this surpassing wonder that the bread of life is boundless though the souls it feeds are countless; with the choicest wine of heaven Christ's own blood to us is given. Oh, most glorious consolation, pledge and seal of my salvation.*

*Jesus, source of lasting pleasure, truest friend, and dearest treasure, peace beyond all understanding, joy into all life expanding: humbly now, I bow before you, love incarnate, I adore you; worthily let me receive you, and, so favored, never leave you.*

## PRAYER

Let us Pray.

O God, we give you thanks  
that you have fed us with heavenly food,  
the body and blood of your Son,  
uniting us in the communion of the Holy Spirit.

As you have again raised up among us  
faithful servants for the ministry of word and sacrament,  
grant that we, with Leonard Alexander,  
may joyfully serve you all our days and finally rejoice in your glory;  
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen**

## BLESSING

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Almighty God, the Father, ✠ the Son and the Holy Spirit  
bless you now and forever.

**Amen**

## HYMN



1 Let streams of liv - ing jus - tice flow down up - on the earth;  
2 For heal - ing of the na - tions, for peace that will not end,  
3 Your ci - ty's built to mu - sic; we are the stones you seek;



give free - dom's light to cap - tives, let all the poor have worth.  
for love that makes us lov - ers, God grant us grace to mend.  
your har - mo - ny is lan - guage; we are the words you speak.



The hun - gry's hands are plead - ing, the work - ers claim their rights,  
Weave our var - ied gifts to - geth - er; knit our lives as they are spun;  
Our faith we find in ser - vice, our hope in oth - ers' dreams,



the mourn - ers long for laugh - ter, the blind - ed seek for sight.  
on your loom of time en - roll us till our thread of life is run.  
our love in hand of neigh - bor; our home - land bright - ly gleams.



Make lib - er - ty a bea - con, strike down the i - ron pow'r;  
O great weav - er of our fab - ric, bind church and world in one;  
In - scribe our hearts with jus - tice; your way—the path un - tried;



a - bol - ish an - cient ven - geance: pro - claim your peo - ple's hour.  
dye our tex - ture with your ra - diance, light our col - ors with your sun.  
your truth—the heart of strang - er; your life—the Cru - ci - fied.

## DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Serve the Lord. Alleluia!

**Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**

## POSTLUDE

## LEADERS IN THIS LITURGY

The Rev. Donald J. McCoid, *preaching and presiding*  
Interim Bishop of the Metropolitan New York Synod

Donald Meineke and Guillermo Vaisman, *principal musicians*  
Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, New York, New York  
Iglesia de Sion / Saint Peter's Church, New York, New York

The ordinand is presented by  
The Rev. Timothy Johansen  
Temple Lutheran Church, Havertown, Pennsylvania

The stole placed during the ordination is presented by  
Bree Whitten Duncan  
Jehu's Table, Brooklyn, NY

The ordinand is charged by  
The Rev. Bryan Penman  
St. Mark's Lutheran Church, Conshohocken, Pennsylvania

The Rev. Tuhina Rasche  
University AME Zion Church, Palo Alto, California

The Rev. Linda Manson  
Life Ministry, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

The Rev. Lamont Wells  
Director for Evangelical Mission / Assistant to the Bishop, Metropolitan New York Synod

The Rev. William R. Kroeze, *master of ceremonies*  
Calvary Lutheran Church, Hauppauge, New York

## **ABOUT THE RITE OF ORDINATION**

Because all of its baptized members share in Christ's ministry of love and service, the church equips and supports them for their ministries in the world. Within this context of ministry, the church calls some of its baptized members for specific ministries.

Within the people of God and for the sake of the gospel ministry entrusted to all believers, God has instituted the office of ministry of word and sacrament. In the Rite of Ordination, the church entrusts this office to those who have heard God's call and have accepted the church's call, and sends them into this ministry.

Ordination is an act of the whole church, not merely of the local congregation or of the assembly that gathers. The assembly gathered in Christ's name speaks on behalf of the whole church when receiving candidates into the ministry of word and sacrament.



