The Lutheran Church of the Holy Spirit

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Celebration of Installation Pastor Shari Duminy and Pastor Cindy Camp

Sunday, December 15, 2024 3:00 pm

The Holy Spirit Empowers Us for Ministry in Daily Life

Gathered by God's grace and empowered by the Holy Spirit, we invite and welcome all people to join us on our journey to become more faithful ministers of Jesus Christ in our homes, our communities, and the world.

We welcome all who worship with us today.

Visitors are invited to sign the guest register located in the lobby. If you are interested in joining our family of faith, please talk with one of our Pastors or call the church office.

Children are welcome and celebrated!

The "Children's Ministry" table and basket in the lobby contains a variety of items for children's use during worship. Stop by to borrow a book or pick up some coloring sheets and crayons.

Please silence all communication devices.

Our services are live streamed and recorded. In-person attendance implies consent to be included in the live streamed and recorded worship service.

HOLY COMMUNION

All who believe in the presence of Jesus Christ in Holy Communion are welcome to receive the Sacrament. To facilitate flow, the ushers invite people to come forward starting with the back rows and working forward. You should come forward using the center aisle to receive the elements in a continuous style from pastor and worship assistant. Afterward you may choose to kneel or stand at the altar rail for a brief moment of prayer or return to your seat up the side aisle, depositing your empty cup in the receptacle on your way. Gluten free wafers are available. Our wine is grape juice so that all may freely receive. Children may receive the sacrament if they have completed instruction with a pastor. Children who do not commune may come forward for a blessing. Communion kits are available at the usher stands for those who prefer to remain in their seats, and they will be communed along with our Zoom worshippers at the beginning of distribution.

GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

Gathering Music

When in Our Music God is Glorified

Anne Krentz Organ

Welcome and Announcements

We rise in body or spirit.

Thanksgiving for Baptism

Just as God's work of creation never ends, so the gifts we receive in baptism are renewed every day. We give thanks together for the life given to us in baptism.

We give you thanks, O God for the waters of life: for water to bathe in, water to drink, for waters to play in and waters of beauty, for water that inspires wonder, and water that gives life to our planet. We give you thanks, O God, for the waters of life.

We give you thanks, O God for the waters of this place: for water from our tap, for rain and snow, for rivers and streams. We give you thanks, O God, for the waters of this place.

We give you thanks for your salvation through water: for delivering Noah and his family through the waters of the flood, for leading your people Israel through the sea into freedom, for preserving your prophet Elijah through the time of drought, for healing your servant Naaman from his leprosy, for guiding your people across the river Jordan into new beginnings, for quenching the thirst of the Samaritan woman with living water. **We give you thanks for your salvation through water**. We give you thanks for the life of all the baptized: for all who gather here, for our godparents and baptismal sponsors, for children and grandchildren, and those whose baptismal promises we hold, for our siblings in Christ whom we have never seen but to whom we are bound. We give you thanks for the life of all the baptized.

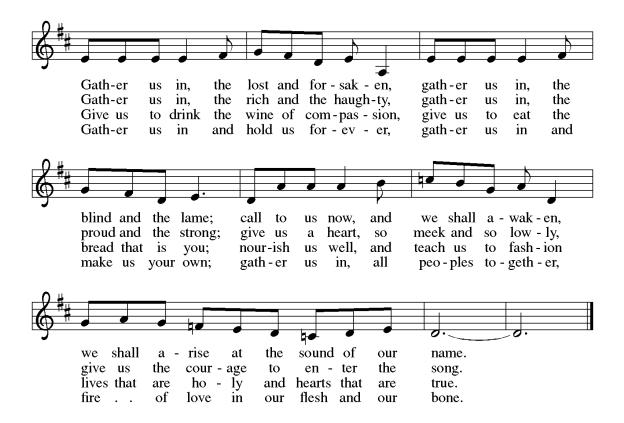
We give you thanks for life in Jesus Christ through your Holy Sprit: for our entry into Christ's death through these waters, for our new birth into a life of freedom and service, for our calling to be your people, sent out for the life of the world. We give thanks, holy Trinity, now and forever. Amen

Gathering Hymn

Gather Us In

ELW 532





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.**



Prayer of the Day

We pray. Almighty God,

through your Son Jesus Christ, you gave the holy apostles many gifts and commanded them to feed your flock. Inspire all pastors to proclaim your word diligently and your people to receive it diligently, that finally we may receive the crown of eternal glory; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen

The assembly is seated.

WORD

God speaks to us in scripture readings, preaching and song.

Reading - Isaiah 42:5-9

Translation: NRSV-UE

A reading from Isaiah.

Thus says God, the Lord, who created the heavens and stretched them out, who spread out the earth and what comes from it, who gives breath to the people upon it and spirit to those who walk in it: I am the Lord; I have called you in righteousness; I have taken you by the hand and kept you;

I have given you as a covenant to the people, a light to the nations, to open the eyes that are blind, to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon, from the prison those who sit in darkness.

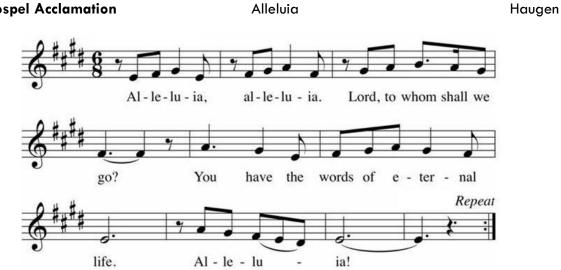
I am the Lord; that is my name; my glory I give to no other, nor my praise to idols. See, the former things have come to pass, and new things I now declare; before they spring forth, I tell you of them.

Word of God, Word of Life. Thanks be to God! A reading from Romans.

But how are they to call on one in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in one of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone to proclaim him? And how are they to proclaim him unless they are sent? As it is written, "How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!" But not all have obeyed the good news, for Isaiah says, "Lord, who has believed our message?" So faith comes from what is heard, and what is heard comes through the word of Christ.

Word of God, Word of Life. Thanks be to God!

We rise in body or spirit to welcome the gospel.



Gospel Acclamation

Gospel - Matthew 28:16-21

The Good News from Matthew, the 28th chapter. **Open our hearts**, Lord.

Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. When they saw him, they worshiped him, but they doubted. And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

This is the Good News! Thanks be to God!

The assembly is seated.

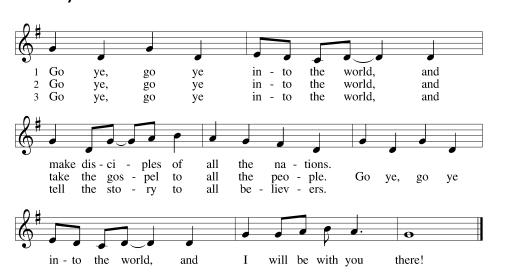
Sermon

Bishop Christopher deForest

LS 110

We rise in body or spirit.

Hymn of the Day



Go Into the World

Apostles' Creed

We profess our faith in the words of the Apostles' Creed.

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen

Service of Installation

Presentation

The presiding minister addresses the assembly.

Having been authorized by the church to install Pastor Shari Ann Lounsbery Duminy and Pastor Cindy Grace Camp, our co-workers in the gospel, as Senior and Associate Pastors, I now ask for certification of this call.

A representative of the calling body addresses the presiding minister.

After prayerful deliberation, we, of The Lutheran Church of the Holy Spirit, have called Pastor Shari Duminy and Pastor Cindy Camp to serve as ministers of word and sacrament in the positions of Senior Pastor and Associate Pastor. I present Pastor Shari and Pastor Cindy and this letter certifying their calls.

The assembly is seated.

Address and Questions

A reading from John: Jesus said, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you. Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained." (John 20:21-23)

A reading from Matthew: Jesus said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age." (Matthew 28:18-20)

A reading from First Timothy: Set the believers an example in speech and conduct, in love, in faith, in purity. Attend to the public reading of scripture, to exhorting, to teaching. Do not neglect the gift that is in you, which was given to you through prophecy with the laying on of hands by the council of elders. Put these things into practice, devote yourself to them, so that all may see your progress. Pay close attention to yourself and to your teaching; continue in these things, for in doing this you will save both yourself and your hearers. (1 Timothy 4:12-16)

The presiding minister addresses questions to the minister of word and sacrament.

Pastor Shari and Pastor Cindy, in the presence of this assembly will you commit yourself to this new trust and responsibility, in the confidence that it comes from God through the call of the church? *Response: I will, and I ask God to help me.*

Will you preach and teach in accordance with the holy scriptures and with the confessions of the Lutheran church? Will you carry out this ministry in harmony with the constitutions of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America? Response: 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? Response: I will, and I ask God to help me.

Trusting in God's care, will you love, serve, and 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? *Response: 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? Response: 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

We rise in body or spirit.

The presiding minister addresses the assembly.

People of God, will you receive Pastor Shari and Pastor Cindy as messengers of Jesus Christ sent to serve all people with the gospel of hope and salvation? Will you regard them as servants of Christ and stewards of the mysteries of God? We will, and we ask God to help us.

Will you pray for Pastor Shari and Pastor Cindy? Will you help and honor them in carrying out this ministry? In all things, will you strive to live together in the peace and unity of Christ? We will, and we ask God to help us.

The presiding minister addresses the ministers of word and sacrament.

Pastor Shari, the office of Senior Pastor is now committed to you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen**

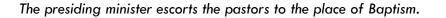
Pastor Cindy, the office of Associate Pastor is now committed to you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen**

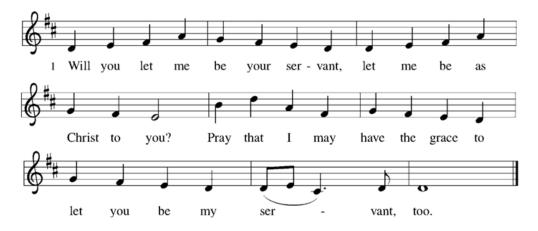
Blessing

The newly installed pastors may kneel as the presiding minister proclaims God's 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**

The assembly is seated.

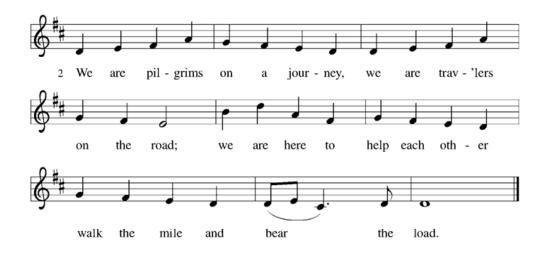




A representative of the congregation says:

You have been called to be among us to baptize, to teach, and to forgive sins.

They proceed to the place of the Word.



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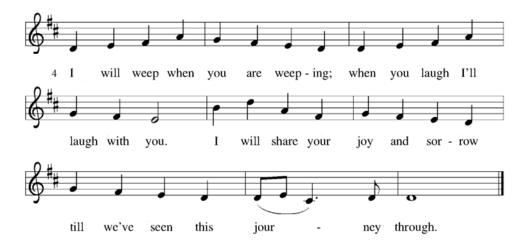
You have been called to be among us to proclaim the good news.

They proceed to the place of the Meal.



A representative of the congregation says:

You have been called to be among us to preside at the Lord's supper.



The presiding minister may address the assembly with these or similar words.

People of God, I present to you Pastor Shari Duminy and Pastor Cindy Camp. Let us welcome them in the name of Christ.

The assembly may offer acclamation with applause.

We rise in body or spirit.

Prayers of the People

Invitation to prayer: As we prepare for Emmanuel, God-with-us, let us pray for all people and places that long for God's presence.

Gracious and merciful God, bless Shari and Cindy, our newly installed pastors; bless their families, who support and share in their ministries, and bless this congregation, and believers everywhere, who rejoice in your faithfulness. With thanks and praise, we offer our prayers to you.

We pray for our bishop and all our synodical leaders, for all pastors and deacons that they may both by their life and doctrine proclaim your true and lively Word and administer your holy sacraments. Give to all your people your heavenly grace that with humble hearts and devotion they may hear and receive your holy Word, truly serving you in holiness and with justice all the days of their life. With thanks and praise,

we offer our prayers to you.

Shepherding God, by your Son, our Savior, you have always given to your church on earth faithful shepherds to guide and feed your flock.

We pray that you make all pastors and deacons diligent to preach your holy Word and to administer your means of grace,

and grant your people wisdom to follow in the way that leads to life eternal. With thanks and praise,

we offer our prayers to you.

Gracious God, you have gifted your servants throughout the ages with courage, grace, cheerfulness, vision, and hope. Grant, we pray, this same spirit to your church in this place, and to your servants Shari and Cindy as they guide us to follow you.

Give them double measure of your Spirit, for we know they will need it in the coming year. Clothe them in compassion and kindness, love and forgiveness. Give them a sure sense of your abiding presence and everlasting hope. Keep their eyes and hearts focused on you.

And give us the grace to respond to their leadership with gratitude and peace, energy and love. Give us the courage to look where they are looking and to see what you are doing through them and through us.

With thanks and praise, we offer our prayers to you. Your saints are crying out for justice. Establish justice in the land so that there will be peace and plenty for all. With thanks and praise,

we offer our prayers to you.

Your people are longing for healing. Give peace to those who are suffering and comfort to those who mourn. With thanks and praise,

we offer our prayers to you.

With gratitude for their loving witness and faith-filled lives, we remember those who now rest from their labors. Receive the praise of all those who call upon your name. With thanks and praise, we offer our prayers to you.

Pastor's closing prayer: For you, O Lord, we wait. Surely you are coming soon. Come to us with healing. Come to us with renewal. Come to us with justice. Come to us with liberation. Come, Lord Jesus! Amen

Peace

God is in our midst and Christ brings peace and healing. May the peace of Christ be with you. And also with you.

In a spirit of joy, we share the peace of Christ with one another.

The people may greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace by saying, "Peace be with you."

The assembly is seated

MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

During the Musical Offering, the gifts will be brought forward. You may remain seated. If you wish you may leave your offering in the additional offering plates located on the tables in the back of the sanctuary as you leave.

Musical Offering

Lord, Here Am I Adult Choir Crosby / Barlow

We rise in body or spirit.

Offering Prayer

We pray. God of our waiting and watching, we offer the gift of our hearts and our lives to the service of all your people. Prepare the way before us as we meet you in this simple meal, through Christ Jesus, our pathway and our peace. Amen

Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

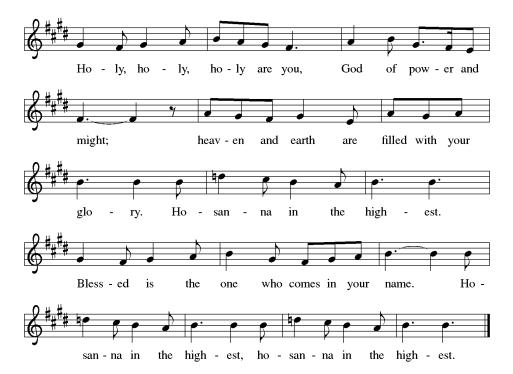
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Lord God, our Savior,

our souls magnify your glory and our spirits rejoice in your presence. From generation to generation you have done great things for your people, showing the strength of your hand and sharing the mercy of your heart. Holy is your name!

We join our voices with our siblings of every time, of every place, who, from the first day to the last, glorify your name, singing:



We give thanks for Jesus, who gave up a heavenly throne to scatter the powers of sin and death, lifting the lowly from the dust and filling the hungry with good things.

Words of Institution

Word in Meal

We proclaim the mystery of faith: We remember Christ's life with joy; we celebrate Christ's death and resurrection with hope; we await Christ's return on the day of grace.

With this bread and cup we remember your Word dwelling among us, full of grace and truth. We remember our new birth in his resurrection. We look with hope for his coming. **Come, Lord Jesus.** Holy God, we long for your Spirit. Come among us. Bless this meal. May your Word take flesh in us. Awaken your people. Fill us with your light. Bring the gift of peace on earth. **Come, Holy Spirit.**

All praise and glory are yours, Holy One of Israel, Word of God incarnate, Power of the Most High, one God, now and forever. **Amen**

Lord's Prayer

God in Community, Holy in One, be with us in this waiting time as we pray together as Jesus, your Word, taught to pray, saying:

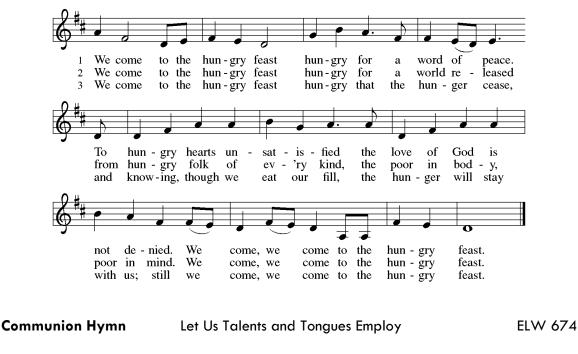
Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen

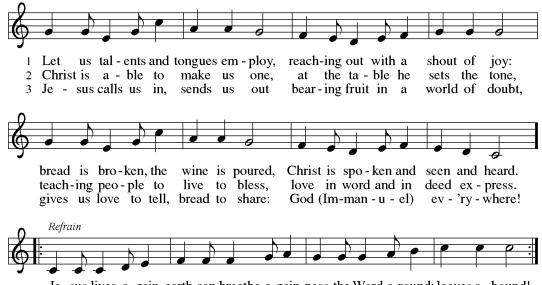
Invitation to the table

God invites you to this table of bounty. Come, for the banquet is ready! The assembly is seated.

Distribution of communion





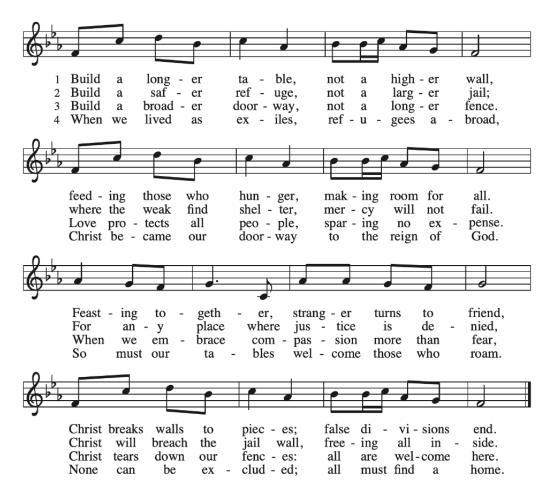


Je - sus lives a-gain, earth can breathe a-gain, pass the Word a-round: loaves a - bound!

Communion Hymn

Build a Longer Table

ACS 1062



We rise in body or spirit.

Prayer after communion

We pray.

Blessed are you, O Lord our God,

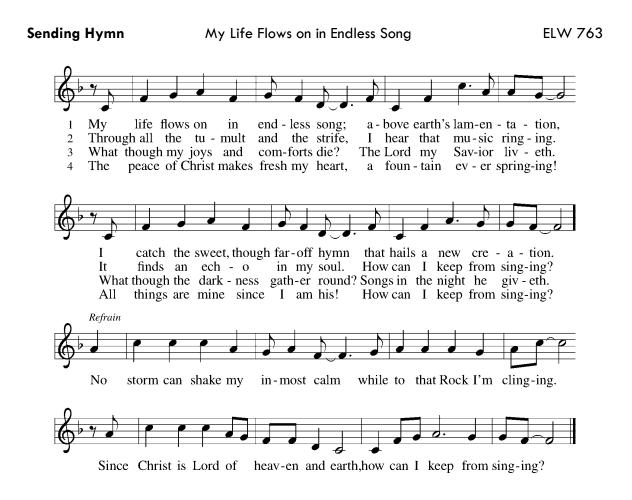
for you have smiled upon us with favor and fed us with your tender mercy. Send us forth to share your light with those who live in the shadow of death, and guide our feet in the way of peace; through Jesus Christ our Savior. **Amen**

SENDING

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

Blessing

The God of hope fill us with all joy and peace in believing, so that we may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit, through Christ Jesus for whom we wait. **Amen**



Dismissal

Go in peace. Christ is near. Thanks be to God!

Sending Music

Jig Fugue

Buxtehude

Offering for today's Installation Celebration will go toward the Global Missions Annual Appeal: SOS - Support Our Sisters. In Tanzania, young women may experience poverty, receive little education, and forced marriage. Help us provide a future where individuals are able to define and live their dreams. Through these three organizations that our global mission travelers plan to visit in 2025: the MaaSai Girls Lutheran Secondary School, Empowered Girls and Eripoto; girls and young women find protection and education. The life and leadership skills given help transform lives.

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