

The Ordination and Installation of Zachary Tey Hughes Manzella as Pastor at Central Lutheran Church, in the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

Central Lutheran Church, Anchorage, AK 4:00 PM, October 12, 2025

ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION OF ZACHARY TEY HUGHES MANZELLA

PRELUDE MUSIC "He's Got the Whole World in His Hands"

arr. Marilynn Ham

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Rev. Lisa Smith Fiegel: Central Lutheran Church wishes to acknowledge and honor the Dena'ina people upon whose ancestral homelands we gather for worship today. For thousands of years the Dena'ina have been and continue to be the stewards of this land. It is with gratitude and respect that we recognize the contributions, innovations, and contemporary perspectives of the Dena'ina.

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM The assembly stands.

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

The presiding minister addresses the assembly. 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.

Water may be poured into the font as the presiding minister gives thanks.

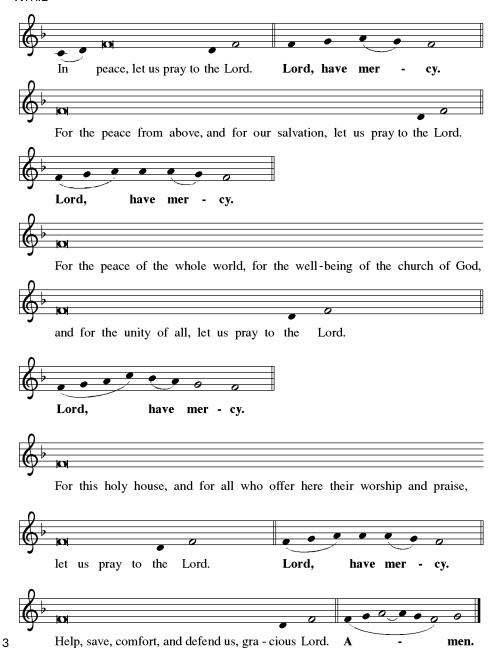
We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning you created us in your image and placed us in a well-watered garden. In the desert, you promised pools of water for the parched, and you gave us water from the rock. When we did not know the way, you sent the Good Shepherd to lead us to still waters. At the cross, you washed us from Jesus' wounded side, and on this day, you shower us again with the water of life. We praise you for your salvation through water, for the water in this font, and for all water everywhere. Bathe us in your forgiveness, grace, and love. Satisfy all who thirst, and give us the life only you can give. To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ, our living water, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever. **Amen.**



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





PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us 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 willingly, that finally we may receive the crown of eternal glory; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

The assembly is seated.

FIRST READING: Micah 6:6-8

Rev. Susan Halvor

The first reading is from Micah, the sixth chapter.

⁶ "With what shall I come before the LORD and bow myself before God on high? Shall I come before him with burnt offerings, with calves a year old? ⁷ Will the LORD be pleased with thousands of rams, with ten thousands of rivers of oil? Shall I give my firstborn for my transgression, the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?" ⁸ He has told you, O mortal, what is good, and what does the LORD require of you but to do justice and to love kindness and to walk humbly with your God?

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

PSALM 65 Rev. Brittany Barkus

¹ Praise is due to you, O God, in Zion, and to you shall vows be performed,

² O you who answer prayer!

To you all flesh shall come.

³ When deeds of iniquity overwhelm us, you forgive our transgressions.

⁴ Happy are those whom you choose and bring near to live in your courts.

We shall be satisfied with the goodness of your house, your holy temple.

- ⁵ By awesome deeds you answer us with deliverance, O God of our salvation; you are the hope of all the ends of the earth and of the farthest seas.
- ⁶ By your strength you established the mountains;

you are girded with might.

- ⁷ You silence the roaring of the seas, the roaring of their waves, the tumult of the peoples.
- ⁸ Those who live at earth's farthest bounds are awed by your signs; you make the gateways of the morning and the evening shout for joy.
- ⁹ You visit the earth and water it; you greatly enrich it;

the river of God is full of water; you provide the people with grain, for so you have prepared it.

¹⁰ You water its furrows abundantly, settling its ridges, softening it with showers, and blessing its growth.

¹¹ You crown the year with your bounty;

your wagon tracks overflow with richness.

¹² The pastures of the wilderness overflow;

the hills gird themselves with joy;

¹³ the meadows clothe themselves with flocks; the valleys deck themselves with grain; they shout and sing together for joy. SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 4:1-2

Rev. Roger Raddatz

¹Think of us in this way: as servants of Christ and stewards of God's mysteries.

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

THIRD READING: Galatians 3:24-29

Rev. Anna Silco

²⁴ Therefore the law was our disciplinarian until Christ came, so that we might be reckoned as righteous by faith. ²⁵ But now that faith has come, we are no longer subject to a disciplinarian, ²⁶ for in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith. ²⁷ As many of you as were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. ²⁸ There is no longer Jew or Greek; there is no longer slave or free; there is no longer male and female, for all of you are one in Christ Jesus. ²⁹ And if you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham's offspring, heirs according to the promise.

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

CHOIR ANTHEM "He is the Rock"

by Michael Barrett

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

The assembly stands.





² Moreover, it is required of stewards that they be found trustworthy.

Bishop Tim Oslovich

GOSPEL READING: John 21:15-19

The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 21st Chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

¹⁵ When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon son of John, do you love me more than these?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my lambs." ¹⁶ A second time he said to him, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Tend my sheep." ¹⁷ He said to him the third time, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" Peter felt hurt because he said to him the third time, "Do you love me?" And he said to him, "Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my sheep. ¹⁸ Very truly, I tell you, when you were younger, you used to fasten your own belt and to go wherever you wished. But when you grow old, you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will fasten a belt around you and take you where you do not wish to go." ¹⁹ (He said this to indicate the kind of death by which he would glorify God.) After this he said to him, "Follow me."

This is the Gospel of our Lord. Praise to you, O Christ.

The assembly is seated.

SERMON

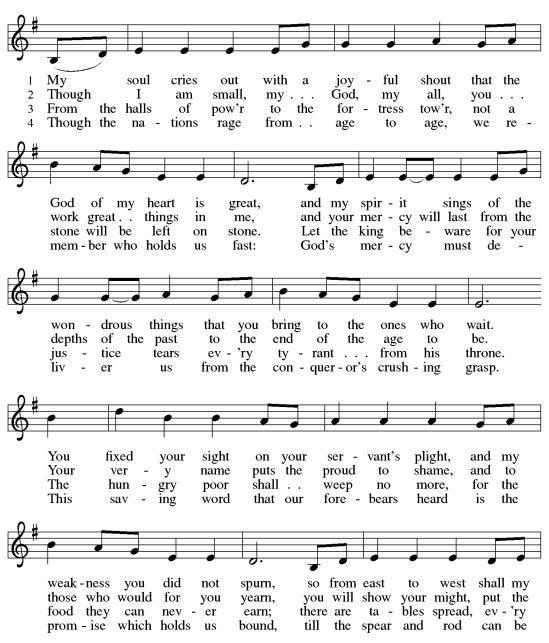
Bishop Tim Oslovich

An offering plate is located at the center back of the Sanctuary for the mission of Central Lutheran Church. You may also give online at www.centluth.org and click on "give."

The assembly stands.

HYMN OF THE DAY #723

"Canticle of the Turning"





Wipe a - way all tears, for the dawn draws near, and the world is a-bout to turn.

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.

ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION OF A PASTOR

Presentation The assembly stands.

Birte Eliasen: I present for ordination to the ministry of word and sacrament Zachary Tey Hughes Manzella, who has been prepared, examined, and approved for this ministry and who has been called by the church to this ministry.

After prayerful deliberation, we, of Central Lutheran Church, have called Zachary Tey Hughes Manzella to serve as a minister of word and sacrament in the position of Pastor. I present this letter certifying the call.

The assembly is seated.

ADDRESS AND QUESTIONS

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.

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 Corinthians: I received from the Lord what I also handed on to you, that the Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took a loaf of bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, "This is my body that is for you. Do this in remembrance of me." In the same way he took the cup also, after supper, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me." For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes. (1 Corinthians 11:23-26)

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

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

The candidate responds: 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 preach and teach in accordance with the holy scriptures and these creeds and confessions? 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? 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?

Response: I will, and I ask God to help me.

Will you give faithful witness in the world through word and deed, 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.

All: Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

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

For the holy catholic church, that, filled with your love, it may hunger for truth and thirst after righteousness: God of mercy, **hear our prayer.**

For all members of the church, that they may serve you in true and godly lives: God of mercy, **hear our prayer.**

For Zachary Tey Hughes Manzella, called to the ministry of word and sacrament in the church, that, sustained by your Holy Spirit, he may carry out this ministry with joy and a spirit of bold trust, serve your people, build up your church, and glorify your name: God of mercy, **hear our prayer.**

For all ministers of word and sacrament; for all ministers of word and service; for Rev. Tim Oslovich, our bishop; that, together with all those responsible for the care and nurture of your people, they may support one another in serving Christ: God of mercy, **hear our prayer.**

For the peace of the church, that our divisions may be overcome, so that, united in Christ, we may serve the world and bear witness to the good news: God of mercy, hear our prayer.

For the mission of the church, that in faithful witness it may proclaim the gospel and in humble love serve all in need: God of mercy, **hear our prayer.**

For the nations of the world and their leaders, that they may work for justice and promote the dignity and freedom of every person: God of mercy, **hear our prayer.**

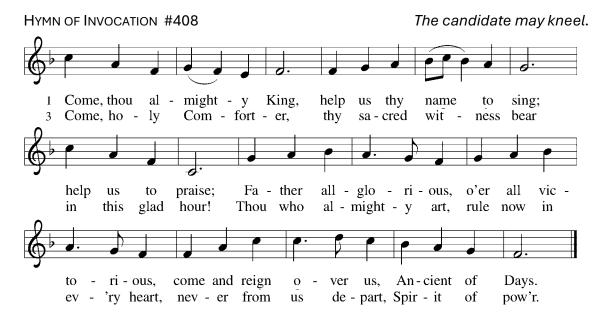
For the whole creation, that everything you have made may fulfill your purpose and that we may exercise care for your diverse gifts: God of mercy, **hear our prayer.**

For the poor, the persecuted, the sick, the lonely, the forgotten, and all who suffer; for refugees, prisoners, and all who are in danger; that they may be relieved and protected: God of mercy, **hear our prayer**.

Other intercessions may be included.

For the glorious company of all the saints, those who have died in faith and those who live in certain hope, we praise you. That their witness may give us courage until the day of Jesus Christ: God of mercy, **hear our prayer**.

Into your hands, gracious God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Savior. **Amen.**



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 evangelists, some pastors and teachers, to equip your people for their work of ministry for building up the body of Christ.

The presiding minister lays both hands on the head of the candidate. Eternal God, through your Son, Jesus Christ, pour out your Holy Spirit upon Zachary Tey Hughes Manzella and fill Zach with the gifts of grace for the ministry of word and sacrament. Bless your servant's proclamation of your word and administration of your sacraments, so that your church may be gathered for praise and strengthened for service. Make Zach a faithful pastor, patient teacher, and wise counselor. Grant that in all things Zach 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

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." (Matthew 11:28-30)

CHARGE The candidate stands. Hear the words of the apostles: Pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance, gentleness. Fight the good fight of the faith; take hold of the eternal life

to which you were called. (1 Timothy 6:11-12)

And again: Tend the flock of God that is in your charge, not under compulsion but willingly, not for sordid gain but eagerly. Do not lord it over those in your charge, but be examples to the flock. And when the chief shepherd appears, you will win the crown of glory that never fades away. (1 Peter 5:2-4)

Zach, 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.**

INSTALLATION

At the font. Hank Koegel: You have been called to be among us to baptize, to teach, and to forgive sins.

At the lectern. Gordy Nelson: You have been called to be among us to proclaim the good news.

At the altar. Steve Lambert: You have been called to be among us to preside at the Lord's supper.

Will you, assembled as the people of God and speaking for the whole church, receive Zach as messenger of Jesus Christ, sent by God to serve all people with the gospel of hope and salvation? Will you regard him as 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 Zach is a called and ordained minister of word and sacrament in the church of Christ, serving as the pastor at Central Lutheran Church in Anchorage. Zach 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.** The assembly may offer acclamation with applause.

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always. And also with you.

The people may greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace.

The assembly is seated.

Pastor Zach Manzella will be presiding from this point forward in the service.

OFFFRING

BELL CHOIR "Shalom Chaverim"

arr. Sondra K. Tucker

OFFERING PRAYER

The assembly stands.

Together we pray, **Gracious God, in your great love you richly provide for our needs.** Make of these gifts a banquet of blessing, and make us ready to share with all in need; through Jesus Christ, who sets a table for all. Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

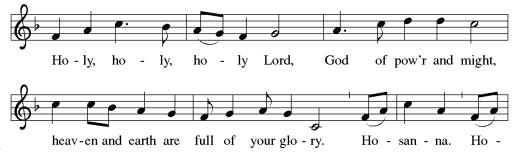
The Lord be with you. And also with you.

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.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy to always and everywhere to give you thanks, Lord, holy Father, almighty and eternal God, through Christ our Lord. For he assumed at his first coming the lowliness of human flesh, and so fulfilled the design you formed long ago, and opened for us the way to eternal salvation, that, when he comes again in glory and majesty and all is at last made new, we who watch for that day may inherit the great promise in which now we dare to hope. And so with all the hosts of heaven, we sing the hymn of your glory:

SANCTUS





Blessed are you, O God of the universe. Your mercy is everlasting and your faithfulness endures from age to age. All creation sings your praise. Sun, moon, and stars reflect your glory. Mountains, lakes, and forests declare your wonders. With Sarah and Abraham we go out in faith, trusting your promise. With Miriam and Moses we celebrate our deliverance from bondage. With Naomi and Ruth we bind ourselves together in covenant love. With Jonathan and David we delight in the gift of deep and abiding friendship. With Mary and Elizabeth we welcome your presence in the birth of Jesus, the Holy One. With Lazarus, Martha, and Mary we give thanks for the blessings of family. With disciples and followers we marvel at the reign of God come near. With saints through the ages we ponder the mystery of Christ's dying and rising. In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

With hearts full of memories and hopes, we break this bread and share this cup, remembering the death and resurrection of Christ, and his promise to be with us always as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

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

O Divine Lover, you are the breath within us. You are our heart's desire. You are our priceless treasure. You are the garden of paradise. Come down, O Love divine. Come among us, O passionate Fire. Come within us, O Spirit of unity. Come, Holy Spirit. Come, Holy Spirit.

Bless us, O Lord, and these your gifts, which we are about to receive from your bounty. Bless our table and the feast we share. Bless us with gladness of heart. Come, Holy Spirit. Come, Holy Spirit.

At this table make us your body. Form us to be people of justice and peace. Fill us with gratitude and generosity that we may bear the fruit of love in word and deed. Come, Holy Spirit. **Come, Holy Spirit.**

Praise to you, Author of creation. Praise to you, O Beloved One. Praise to you, O Giver of all good things. Praise to you, blessed and holy Trinity, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into One by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us. 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, forever and ever. Amen

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

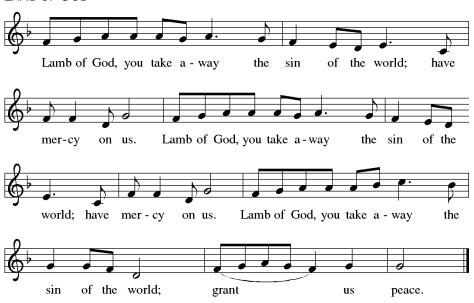
The gifts of God for the people of God. Thanks be to God.

HOLY COMMUNION

The assembly is seated.

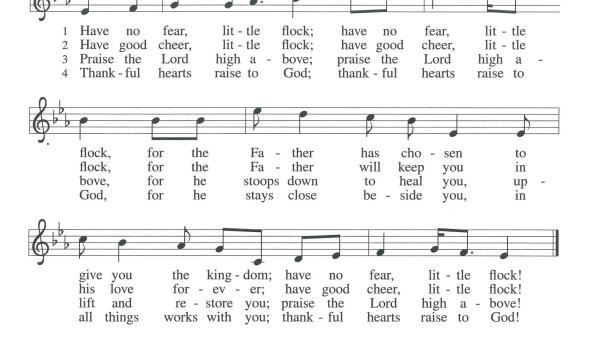
All are welcome at the Lord's Table. Today we commune by intinction in a walking style. Ushers will direct you to one of two communion stations, where you'll be offered a wafer of bread and may dip your wafer in wine (red) or grape juice (white). Gluten-free wafers are available on the tray at each station. If, for any reason, you prefer to receive a blessing in lieu of receiving communion, please cross your arms over your heart as you approach the station.





COMMUNION HYMN # 764

"Have No Fear Little Flock"





COMMUNION HYMN # 488

"Soul. Adorn Yourself with Gladness"

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- 1 Soul, a dorn your self with glad ness, leave
- gloom y 2 Has - ten bride to meet him, ea and as a ger ly
- 3 Now in faith I hum - bly pon - der o this sur ver
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there with joy your prais - es ren - der. Bless the one whose grace un quick - ly, now, your gate un-lock - ing, o - pen wide the fast-closed though the souls it feeds are count - less; with the choic - est wine of joy in - to all life ex-pand - ing: hum - bly now, I how



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POST COMMUNION BLESSING AND PRAYER

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus † strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **Amen.**

Together we pray, God of the abundant table, you have refreshed our hearts in this meal with bread for the journey. Give us your grace on the road that we might serve our neighbors with joy; for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLESSING

God, who gives life to all things and frees us from despair, bless you with truth and peace. And may the holy Trinity, † one God, guide you always in faith, hope, and love. **Amen.**

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DISMISSAL

Go in peace. You are the Body of Christ. Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Please join friends downstairs for a reception. An elevator is available.

WORSHIP LEADERS SERVING TODAY

PRESIDING MINISTERS

The Rev. Tim Oslovich, Bishop of the Alaska Synod of the ELCA Pastor Zach Manzella will preside following the installation

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