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Robert Lisle,
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(Lisle Psalter)

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* Please rise in body or spirit when you see this symbol,
and join in singing or reading aloud text in **bold**.

GATHERING

OPENING VOLUNTARY G. F. Handel
Arrival of the Queen of Sheba (from Solomon), HWV67

OPENING SENTENCES and Rev. Melissa Anne Rogers
WORDS of WELCOME
From Acts 2

* CALL to WORSHIP Elder Dawain Riebow
Praise the Lord!
We thank God with all our hearts, gathered as a congregation.
The works of God are magnificent.
They are treasured by all who desire them.
God's deeds are majestic and glorious!
God's righteousness stands forever, to guide, inspire and nurture!
Let us celebrate our God together in song.

* HYMN 35 *Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty* LOBE DEN HERREN

PRAYER of CONFESSION Rev. Allison Muenzer
**Merciful God, we confess that we have not lived up to our calling
to proclaim the good news in word and deed. We are quick
to speak when we ought to listen and hasty to judge others.
Strengthen us anew to follow Christ's way in the world, to live
faithfully, uplift our neighbors, and serve the Lord.**

ASSURANCE of FORGIVENESS

PROCLAIMING *the* WORD

PRAYER for ILLUMINATION Elder Sonja Fryer
Elder Linda Rex

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING Elder Linda Rex
Isaiah 61:1-6

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING Elder Sonja Fryer
John 1:43-51

MEDITATION "Nathaniel, I Saw You!"
Rev. Bob Uken

Occasions of
ordination
and installation
have to do more
with the ministry
of the whole
church than with
any individual.
Those ordained
and installed
to ordered
ministry fulfill
a particular role
in the larger
ministry of the
church.

ORDINATION

SENTENCES of SCRIPTURE

I Timothy 3:1-5

Deacon James Fryer

CONSTITUTIONAL QUESTIONS

Moderator Kevin Smith

Rev. Teresa Peterson

QUESTIONS to the CONGREGATION

Elder Linda Rex

Do we, the members of the church, accept Nathaniel Fryer as our Pastor and Resident Minister, chosen by God through the voice of this congregation to guide us in the way of Jesus Christ?

Do we agree to pray for him, to encourage him to respect his decisions, and to follow as he guides us, serving Jesus Christ, who alone is Head of the Church?

Do we promise to pay him fairly and provide for his welfare as he works among us; to stand by him in trouble and share the joys?

Will we listen to the Word he preaches, welcome his pastoral care, and honor his authority he seeks to honor and obey Jesus Christ our Lord?

PRAYER OF ORDINATION

Moderator Kevin Smith

Rev. Teresa Peterson

LAYING ON OF HANDS

At this time, all clergy, seminarians, Elders, and Deacons, regardless of tradition, are invited to come forward and lay hands on Nathaniel.

DECLARATION OF ORDINATION

Moderator Kevin Smith

Rev. Teresa Peterson

COLLEGIAL WELCOME

Rev. David Prentice-Hyers

CHARGE to the NEWLY ORDAINED

Rev. Katherine Baker

PRESENTATION of the SYMBOLS of MINISTRY

CHARGE to the CONGREGATION

Rev. David Prentice-Hyers

* HYMN 727 *Will You Let Me Be Your Servant* THE SERVANT SONG

OFFERING of TITHES and GIFTS

Rev. Allison Muenzer

Rev. Tommy Langejans

EXPLAINING the FIRMAMENT

Rev. Tommy Langejans

OFFERTORY

Joseph Haydn

The Heavens Are Telling from The Creation

Chancel Choir

Allison Gaines, Nick Music, and Joseph Perrotti, Soloists

In ordination the church sets apart with prayer and the laying on of hands those who have been called by God through the voice of the church to serve as deacons, ruling elders, and ministers of Word and Sacrament. In installation the church sets in place with prayer those who have been previously ordained as deacons, ruling elders, and ministers of Word and Sacrament, and are now called anew to service in that ministry.

Today's offering benefits the Candidates Scholarship Fund of the Presbytery of Detroit administered by the Committee on Preparation for Ministry.

The heavens are telling the glory of God.
The wonder of God's work displays the firmament.
The day that is coming speaks to the day,
The night that is gone to following night.
The heavens are telling the glory of God.
The wonder of God's work displays the firmament.
In all the lands resounds the word,
Never unperceived, ever understood.
The heavens are telling the glory of God.
The wonder of God's work displays the firmament.

* DOXOLOGY

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.
Praise God, all creatures here below. Alleluia, alleluia!
Praise God above ye heavenly host.
Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia, alleluia!
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

* PRAYER of DEDICATION

Rev. Tommy Langejans
Rev. Allison Muenzer

THE LORD'S SUPPER

INVITATION to the TABLE

Rev. Nathaniel Fryer
Rev. Lynette Sparks

GREAT PRAYER of THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
Lift up your hearts.
We lift them up to the Lord.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

All cups contain grape juice. Most stations are gluten free but contain eggs and milk. If you need an option that contains gluten but no other allergens, please come to the center station.

PRAYER after COMMUNION

Rev. Nathaniel Fryer
Rev. Mark Mares

SENDING

- * HYMN 340 *This Is My Song* FINLANDIA
- * BLESSING, CHARGE and BENEDICTION Rev. Nathaniel Fryer
- CLOSING VOLUNTARY G.F. Handel
Hornpipe from Water Music, HWV349

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Rev. Bob Uken, *Preacher*

Rev. Katherine Baker, *President, Grand Rapids Sister Cities International*

Deacon James Fryer, *Westminster Presbyterian Church*

Rev. Nathaniel Fryer, *Resident Minister*

Elder Sonja Fryer, *Westminster Presbyterian Church*

Rev. Tommy Lanejans, *Resident Minister*

Rev. Mark Mares, *Associate Pastor*

Rev. Allison Muenzer, *Associate Pastor of First Presbyterian Church of Brighton*

Rev. Teresa Peterson, *Pastor of Geneva Presbyterian Church*

Elder Linda Rex, *Clerk-Emerita of Session*

Elder Dawain Riebow, *First Presbyterian Church of Howell*

Rev. Melissa Anne Rogers, *Associate Pastor*

Elder Kevin Smith, *Moderator of the Presbytery of Detroit*

Rev. Lynette Sparks, *Senior Pastor of Westminster Presbyterian Church*

MUSICIANS

Chancel Choir

David Hufford, *Organist*

David VanderMeer, *Minister of Music & Fine Arts*

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Rev. David Prentice-Hyers

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Elder Sonja Fryer, *Lake Michigan Presbytery*

Rev. Allison Muenzer, *Associate Pastor of First Presbyterian Church of Brighton*

Rev. Teresa Peterson, *Vice Moderator, Presbytery of Detroit, ex-officio member*

Elder Linda Rex

Elder Dawain Riebow

Elder Kevin Smith, *Moderator of the Presbytery of Detroit, convenor*

COMMUNION SERVERS

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