

The Memorial Church of the Good Shepherd, Parkersburg, WV

February 15, 2025 11 AM Celebration of New Ministry

Introit	"Lift Thine Eyes"	Mendelssohn
Opening Hymn (on back cover)	"The King of love my shepherd is"	St. Columba

# **The Institution**

The Wardens, standing before the bishop with the new minister, say these words:

Bishop Matthew, we have come together today to welcome Katie Beth Miksa, who has been chosen to serve as Rector of the Memorial Church of the Good Shepherd. We believe that she is well qualified, and that she has been prayerfully and lawfully selected.

The Bishop then reads the Letter of Institution or states the purpose of the new ministry. The Bishop then says:

Katie Beth, do you, in the presence of this congregation, commit yourself to this new trust and responsibility?

New Rector I do.

# The Bishop then addresses the congregation

Will you who witness this new beginning support and uphold Katie Beth in this ministry?

*People* We will.

Let us then offer our prayers to God for all God's people, for this congregation, and for Katie Beth their Rector.

# The Litany for the Mission of the Church

The People kneel

Leader People	Holy God, in whom all things in heaven and earth have their being, <b>Have mercy on us.</b>
Leader People	Jesus the Christ, through whom the world is reconciled to the Father, Have mercy on us.
Leader People	Holy Spirit, whose glory fills the world and searches the depths of God, Have mercy on us.
Leader People	Blessed Trinity, source of both unity and diversity, Have mercy on us.
Leader	From blind hearts and petty spirits, that refuse to see the need of all humankind for your love,
People	Savior, deliver us.
Leader	From pride, self-sufficiency and the unwillingness to admit our own need of your compassion,
People	Savior, deliver us.
Leader	From discouragement in the face of pain and disappointment, and from lack of persistence and thoroughness,
People	Savior, deliver us.
Leader People	From ignorance, apathy, and complacency that prevent us from spreading the Gospel, <b>Savior, deliver us.</b>
Leader	O God, we pray for the gifts of ministry. Inspire our minds with a vision of your kingdom in this time and place.
People	Hear us, O Christ.
Leader	Touch our eyes, that we may see your glory in all creation.
People	Hear us, O Christ.
Leader	Touch our ears, that we may hear from every mouth the hunger for hope and stories of refreshment.
People	Hear us, O Christ.
Leader People	Touch our lips that we may tell in every tongue and dialect the wonderful works of God. <b>Hear us, O Christ.</b>

Leader People	Touch our hearts, that we may discern the mission to which you call us. Hear us, O Christ.				
Leader	Touch our feet, that we may take your Good News into our neighborhoods, communities, and all parts of the world.				
People	Hear us, O Christ.				
Leader People	Touch our hands, that we may each accomplish the work you give us to do. <b>Hear us, O Christ.</b>				
Leader	Strengthen and encourage all who minister in your name in lonely, dangerous and unresponsive places.				
People	Hear us, O Christ.				
Leader	Open the hearts and hands of many to support your Church in this and every place.				
People	Hear us, O Christ.				
At the end of the litany, the Bishop, standing, says the following Collects, first saying					
Bishop	The Lord be with you.				
People	And also with you.				

PeopleAnd also withBishopLet us pray.

# The Collect of the Day

O God of compassion, who opened the heart of your servant Thomas Bray to answer the needs of the church in the New World: Make your church diligent at all times to propagate the Gospel, and to promote the spread of Christian knowledge; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.** 

# In addition to the Collect of the Day the following Collect is included.

Everliving God, strengthen and sustain Katie Beth, that with patience and understanding she may love and care for your people; and grant that together they may follow Jesus Christ, offering to you their gifts and talents; through him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.** 

# The Lessons

# A Reading from the Book of Jonah (4:1-11)

This was very displeasing to Jonah, and he became angry. He prayed to the Lord and said, "O Lord! Is not this what I said while I was still in my own country? That is why I fled to Tarshish at the beginning; for I knew that you are a gracious God and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love, and ready to relent from punishing. And now, O Lord, please take my life from me, for it is better for me to die than to live." And the Lord said, "Is it right for you to be angry?" Then Jonah went out of the city and sat down east of the city, and made a booth for himself there. He sat under it in the shade, waiting to see what would become of the city. The Lord God appointed a bush, and made it come up over Jonah, to give shade over his head, to save him from his discomfort; so Jonah was very happy about the bush. But when dawn came up the next day, God appointed a worm that attacked the bush, so that it withered. When the sun rose, God prepared a sultry east wind, and the sun beat down on the head of Jonah so that he was faint and asked that he might die. He said, "It is better for me to die than to live." But God said to Jonah, "Is it right for you to be angry about the bush?" And he said, "Yes, angry enough to die." Then the Lord said, "You are concerned about the bush, for which you did not labor and which you did not grow; it came into being in a

night and perished in a night. And should I not be concerned about Nineveh, that great city, in which there are more than a hundred and twenty thousand persons who do not know their right hand from their left, and also many animals?"

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

The leader and people will read the psalm responsively, breaking at the asterisk.

#### Psalm 85:7-13

7 Show us your mercy, O Lord, \*

and grant us your salvation.

8 I will listen to what the Lord God is saying, \*

for he is speaking peace to his faithful people and to those who turn their hearts to him.

9 Truly, his salvation is very near to those who fear him, \*

# that his glory may dwell in our land.

10 Mercy and truth have met together; \*

righteousness and peace have kissed each other.

11 Truth shall spring up from the earth, \*

and righteousness shall look down from heaven.

12 The Lord will indeed grant prosperity, \*

and our land will yield its increase.

13 Righteousness shall go before him, \* and peace shall be a pathway for his feet.

A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Philippians (2:5-11)

Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death--even death on a cross. Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

ReaderThe Word of the Lord.PeopleThanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn (pg. 10)"Lord whose love in humble service"Beach Spring

Then all standing, the Deacon reads the Gospel, first saying

PeopleThe Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke (5:27-32)Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus went out and saw a tax collector named Levi, sitting at the tax booth; and he said to him, "Follow me." And he got up, left everything, and followed him. Then Levi gave a great banquet for him in his house; and there was a large crowd of tax collectors and others sitting at the table with them. The Pharisees and their scribes were complaining to his disciples, saying, "Why do you eat and drink with tax collectors and sinners?" Jesus answered, "Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick; I have come to call not the righteous but sinners to repentance."

# CelebrantThe Gospel of the Lord.PeoplePraise to you, Lord Christ.

# The SermonThe Rev. Chad HuebnerHymn (pg. 11)"We all are one in mission"KUORTANEThe InductionRepresentatives of the congregation and of the clergy of the diocese and region present the following to the new rector before the bishop.A representatives of the congregation presents a Bible, sayingKatie Beth, accept this Bible, and be among us as one who proclaims the Word.Huebner

People Amen.

The Bishop presents a vessel of water, saying Katie Beth, take this water, and help me baptize in obedience to our Lord.

People Amen.

Another presents a stole or other symbol, saying

Katie Beth, receive this stole, and be among us as a pastor and priest.

People Amen.

Another presents a book of prayers or other symbol, saying

Katie Beth, receive this book and be among us as a woman of prayer. *People* **Amen.** 

Another presents oil, saying

Katie Beth, use this oil, and be among us as a healer and reconciler.

People Amen.

A Warden now presents the keys of the church, saying

Katie Beth, receive these keys, and let the doors of this place be open to all people.

People Amen.

A representative clergy of the diocese presents the Constitution and Canons of this Church, saying Katie Beth, obey these Canons, and be among us to share in the councils of this diocese. People Amen.

A representative of the ecumenical clergy of Parkersburg presents a lighted candle, saying Katie Beth, receive this light, and join with us as we proclaim Christ the Light in this City. *People* **Amen.** 

Other Representatives of the congregation present bread and wine, sayingKatie Beth, take this bread and wine, and be among us to break the Bread and bless the Cup.PeopleAmen.

The Bishop then says

Katie Beth, let all these be signs of the ministry which is mine and yours in this place. *People* **Amen.** 

The new Minister then kneels in the midst of the church, and says O Lord my God, I am not worthy to have you come under my roof; yet you have called your servant to stand in your house, and to serve at your altar. To you and to your service I devote myself, body, soul, and spirit. Fill my memory with the record of your mighty works; enlighten my understanding with the light of your Holy Spirit; and may all the desires of my heart and will center in what you would have me do. Make me an instrument of your salvation for the people entrusted to my care, and grant that I may faithfully administer your holy Sacraments, and by my life and teaching set forth your true and living Word. Be always with me in carrying out the duties of my ministry. In Prayer, quicken my devotion; in praises, heighten my love and gratitude; in preaching, give me readiness of thought and expression; and grant that, by the clearness and brightness of your holy Word, all the world may be drawn into your blessed kingdom. All this I ask for the sake of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.

*The Bishop then presents the new minister to the congregation, saying* Greet your new Rector.

The family of the new minister is also presented at this time. The Congregation expresses its approval. Applause is appropriate. The Bishop greets the new minister.

*The new Minister then says to the people* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

#### *People* And also with you.

The new Minister then greets other members of the clergy, family members, and the congregation. The People greet one another.

Announcements

Offertory Sentence

Offertory Anthems

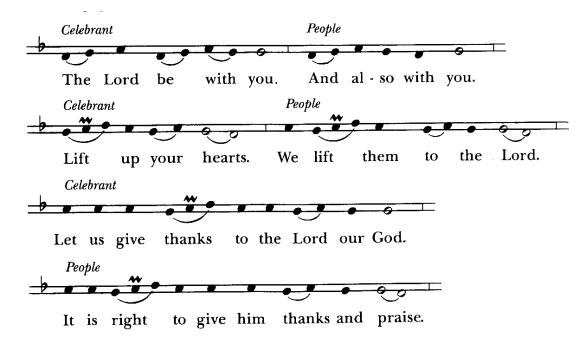
"If ye love me" "God so loved the world" Thomas Tallis John Stainer

Doxology Hymn #380 (vs. 3)

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise him, all creatures here below; Praise him above, ye heavenly host: Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

### The Holy Communion

The Great Thanksgiving – Eucharistic Prayer A



#### Celebrant

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, 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:

#### Sanctus (pg. 12)

#### The people remain standing. Then the Celebrant continues

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: 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 for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

#### The Celebrant continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

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. A-men.

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

#### Celebrant and People

Our Father, who are 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 Breaking of the Bread

CelebrantAlleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;PeopleTherefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

*Celebrant and People* Fraction Hymn (pg.13)

Invitation to Communion

Communion Anthem

"For everyone born" Dr. Bob Herceg, cello Arrangement: Tom Trenney

After Communion, the Bishop says Let us pray.

#### Bishop and People

Almighty Father, we thank you for feeding us with the holy food of the Body and Blood of your Son, and for uniting us through him in the fellowship of your Holy Spirit. We thank you for raising up among us faithful servants for the ministry of your Word and Sacraments. We pray that Katie Beth may be to us an effective example in word and action, in love and patience, and in holiness of life. Grant that we, with her, may serve you now, and always rejoice in your glory; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen. Blessing

Closing Hymn (pg. 14 & 15) "Lord of the Dance"

Shaker melody, 19<sup>th</sup> century

DeaconLet us go forth into the world rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.PeopleThanks be to God.

#### Participants in the Service:

Celebrant - The Rt. Rev. Matthew Cowden Preacher - The Rev. Chad Huebner Deacon - The Rev. Deacon Tommy Sheppard New Rector - The Rev. Katie Beth Miksa Minister of Music - Dennis Deem Visiting Organist - Jane Irvine Chalices – Toni DeVore and Greg Cigal Acolytes – Eva Crocker, Kaitlyn Foggin, Aubrey Smith, Yazmin Allander Leader of the Litany – Linda Crocker Lectors – Hal Foss, Vickie Bono, and Bob Crocker Presenters – Linda Crocker, Bishop Cowden, Toni DeVore, Ginger Smith, Marsha Senchyshak, Larry James, Fr. Geoff Mackey, Deacon Dina Andrews, Jim Offenberger, and Joe Smith

We give special thanks to Dr. Bob Herceg, cellist, Jane Irvine, visiting organist, the choir of Trinity, Parkersburg, and our ecumenical choristers and clergy who have blessed us with their music and presence today.

We also give special thanks to all those who have helped organize our worship and reception today. We wouldn't be Good Shepherd without you.







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"Lord of the Dance" continued



Opening Hymn

"The King of love my shepherd is"

St. Columba

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