



Holy Eucharist

with the

Installation of

The Rev. Kevin T. Jones
as Bishop of the Northeastern Iowa Synod,
Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

SEPTEMBER 25, 2021
2:00 P.M.
TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH
MASON CITY, IA

A Message from Bishop Jones

Thank you for being part of this incredible day. I am awed at the opportunity and trust the people of the Northeastern Iowa Synod have placed in my hands. I pray that God works through me in serving the Body of Christ for the sake of the world in this special place. I welcome your prayers for me and for the whole Northeastern Iowa Synod as we join in this ministry in new ways.

Thank you to all the worship assistants and participants. A special thank you to the Installation Planning Team and the many, many volunteers who have added to the specialness of this celebration, sharing their gifts and time in so many ways.

Above all, I give thanks for the indulgence and love of my family and friends who are walking with me into this call. You lift me up and keep me grounded at one and the same time.

With a Peace of the Spirit,

Kevin

GATHERING

Prelude *The Wartburg Choir and the Trinity Festival Brass*

Welcome

The interim bishop of the Northeastern Iowa Synod introduces the bishop-elect.

Greetings in the name of Christ.

Grace and peace be with you.

And also with you.

Dear friends, we gather together from many places to mark a new season of ministry in the life of the Northeastern Iowa Synod and in the wider church. Please rise in body and/or in spirit as we face the back of the sanctuary and welcome our new bishop.

A representative of Trinity Lutheran Church introduces the bishop-elect.

Friends in Christ, we bring before you the Reverend Kevin Jones, who has served among us faithfully as pastor and brother in Christ. With gratitude for his ministry with us, we send him forth to serve as the Bishop of the Northeastern Iowa Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America.

The interim bishop of the Northeastern Iowa Synod leads in welcoming the bishop-elect.

Kevin, pastor in the church of God, we have looked forward to this day with great joy.

In the name of Christ, we welcome you.

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Kevin, in your baptism you were clothed with Christ, and you are now called by God through the voice of the church to enter into the ministry of bishop.

We remember with thanksgiving our common calling through baptism to serve Christ, and we celebrate God's call to you, our brother.

The bishop-elect responds to the assembly.

Beloved in Christ, as we begin this new season of ministry, may our celebration recall us to the unity that is given in baptism and nurtured at the Lord's table. May we rejoice in the many gifts enriching the life of our church and be strengthened to proclaim the good news of Christ in the world.

Thanksgiving for Baptism

The presiding minister addresses the assembly.

Praise and thanks to you, O God

for the waters you provide for the earth:

for snow and dew, for oceans and wells,

for the rain that nourishes plants, animals and trees,

for the Cedar, Winnebago and Mississippi Rivers,

for each waterway and lake that nourishes our lives,

We praise you, O God, for water.

We praise you, O God, for water.

Blessing and glory be to you, O God of abundant mercy,
for your word that flows with life-giving waters:
for the story of the fountain that gushed from the rock,
for the memory of the Jordan that immersed your Son in our sorrows,
for the living rivers that flow from the cross,
for the reconciling waters of baptism around which we gather.
We bless you, O God, for water and the word.

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Pour upon us yet again the Spirit of our baptism.
Our roots are dry: shower us with divine blessing.
Our fruits need moisture: renew us for vibrant growth.
Wash away the sin within us,
and drown the evil around us.
We beg you, O God, for water and the Spirit.

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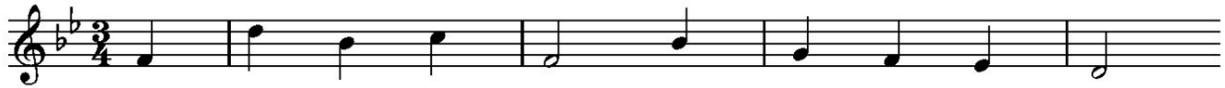
You, O God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
you are the Water we crave;
you, O God, are Rain and River and Fountain,
Life for us all, now and forever.

Amen.

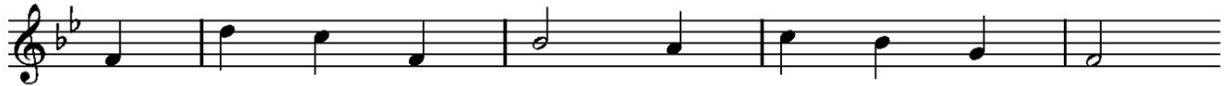
Processional Hymn

O Praise Ye the Lord, Laudate Dominum

arr. M. Gender



1. O Praise ye the Lord! Praise him in the height;
 2. O Praise ye the Lord! Praise Him up - on earth,
 Choir only 3. *O Praise ye the Lord! All things that give sound,*
 4. O Praise ye the Lord! Thanks - giv - ing and song



re - jice in his word, ye an - gels of light;
 in tune - ful ac - cord, all ye of new birth;
each ju - bi - lant chord, re - ech - o a - round;
 to Him be out - poured all a - ges a - long!



ye hea - vens, a - dore him__ by__ whom ye were made,
 Praise Him who hath brought you__ His__ grace from a - bove,
Loud or - gans his glo - ry__ tell__ forth in deep tone,
 For love in cre - a - tion,__ for__ Hea - ven re - stored,



and wor - ship be - fore__ him, in bright - ness ar - rayed._____
 praise Him who hath taught you to sing of His love.
and sweet harps the sto - ry of what he hath done.
 for grace of sal - va - tion, O praise ye the Lord!

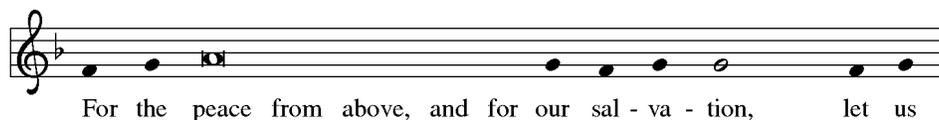
Greeting

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.

Kyrie



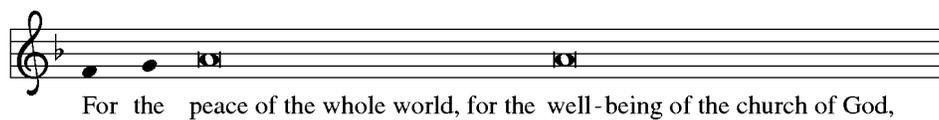
In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer-cy.**



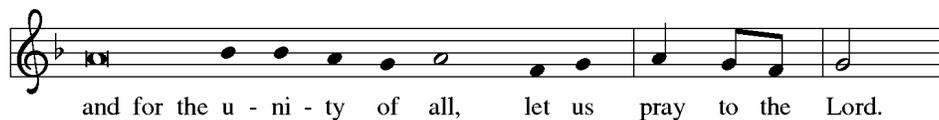
For the peace from above, and for our sal - va - tion, let us



pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**



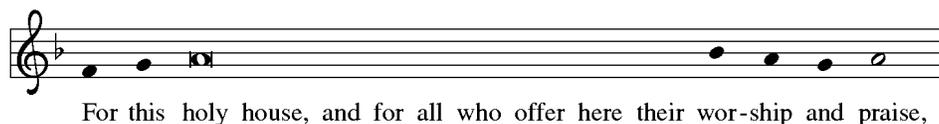
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



and for the u - ni - ty of all, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor-ship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**



Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra - cious Lord.



A - men.

Gloria

Refrain
Glo-ry to God in the high - est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.

1 Lord God, heav-en - ly King, al - might-y God and Fa - ther, we wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo-ry.

Refrain
Glo-ry to God in the high - est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.

2 Lord Je - sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world: have mer-cy on us; you are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.

Refrain
Glo-ry to God in the high - est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.

3 For you a - lone are the Ho-ly One, you a-lone are the Lord, you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir-it, in the glo-ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

Refrain
Glo-ry to God in the high - est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.

Prayer of the Day

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.

WORD

First Reading: Genesis 12:1-3

Pastor Tom Jones

Now the Lord said to Abram, "Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you. I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you, and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, and the one who curses you I will curse; and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed."

Word of God, Word of life.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 147:1-7



The LORD heals the brok - en - heart-ed and binds up their wounds.

¹Hallelujah! How good it is to sing praises | to our God!

How pleasant it is to honor | God with praise!

²The Lord re- | builds Jerusalem,

and gathers the ex- | iles of Israel.

³The Lord heals the | brokenhearted

and binds | up their wounds.

⁴The Lord counts the number | of the stars

and calls them all | by their names.

⁵Great is our Lord and might- | y in power;

there is no limit | to God's wisdom.

⁶The Lord lifts | up the lowly,

but casts the wicked | to the ground.

⁷Sing to the Lord | with thanksgiving;

make music upon the harp | to our God,

Second Reading: Romans 8:31-39

Amy Jones

What then are we to say about these things? If God is for us, who is against us? He who did not withhold his own Son, but gave him up for all of us, will he not with him also give us everything else? Who will bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. Who is to condemn? It is Christ Jesus, who died, yes, who was raised, who is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us. Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will hardship, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? As it is written,

“For your sake we are being killed all day long;
we are accounted as sheep to be slaughtered.”

No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Word of God, Word of life.

Thanks be to God.

The assembly stands to welcome the gospel.

Gospel Acclamation

O God of Light

ELW 507, Vs 1 only

O God of Light, your word, a lamp un - fail - ing, shall pierce the
6
dark - ness of our earth-bound way and show your grace, your plan for us un -
12
- veil - ing, and guide our foot - steps to the per - fect day.

The holy gospel according to Matthew, the 13th chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel: Matthew 13:31-35

Sara Jones

He put before them another parable: “The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed that someone took and sowed in his field; it is the smallest of all the seeds, but when it has grown it is the greatest of shrubs and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and make nests in its branches.”

He told them another parable: “The kingdom of heaven is like yeast that a woman took and mixed in with three measures of flour until all of it was leavened.”

Jesus told the crowds all these things in parables; without a parable he told them nothing. This was to fulfill what had been spoken through the prophet:

“I will open my mouth to speak in parables; I will proclaim what has been hidden from the foundation of the world.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

The assembly is seated.

Sermon

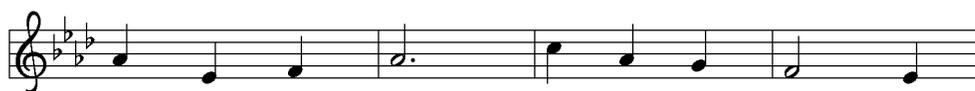
Presiding Bishop Elizabeth Eaton

Hymn of the Day

Earth and All Stars

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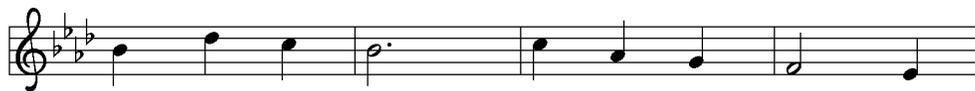
The assembly stands.



1 Earth and all stars! Loud rush - ing plan - ets!
2 Trum - pet and pipes! Loud clash - ing cym - bals!
3 En - gines and steel! Loud pound - ing ham - mers!
4 Class-rooms and labs! Loud boil - ing test tubes!
5 Knowl-edge and truth! Loud sound - ing wis - dom!



Sing to the Lord a new song!
Sing to the Lord a new song!



Hail, wind, and rain! Loud blow - ing snow - storm!
Harp, lute, and lyre! Loud hum - ming cel - los!
Lime - stone and beams! Loud build - ing work - ers!
Ath - lete and band! Loud cheer - ing peo - ple!
Daugh - ter and son! Loud pray - ing mem - bers!



Sing to the Lord a new song!
Sing to the Lord a new song!



God has done mar - vel - ous things.



I too sing prais - es with a new song!

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 and the Son,*
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 Installation of Bishop Kevin T. Jones

Presentation

The vice president of the synod presents the bishop-elect.

I present Kevin Thomas Jones, who has been elected and called by the church,
for installation into the office of bishop of the Northeastern Iowa Synod.

The assembly is seated.

Address and Questions

The presiding bishop addresses the bishop-elect with words of scripture.

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 the Acts of the Apostles: "Take heed to yourselves and to all the flock, in which the Holy Spirit has made you guardians, to feed the church of God that he obtained with the blood of his own Son." (Acts 20:28).

A reading from Second Timothy: "Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved by him, a worker who has no need to be ashamed, rightly explaining the word of truth" (2 Timothy 2:15).

And again: "Hold to the standard of sound teaching that you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. Guard the good treasure entrusted to you, with the help of the Holy Spirit living in us." (2 Timothy 1:13-14).

The presiding bishop questions the bishop-elect.

To you is being given the care of the pastors, deacons and congregations of this synod. I ask you in the presence of God and of this assembly: will you assume the office of bishop of the Northeastern Iowa Synod?

I will, and I ask God to help me.

Will you be faithful in your office? Will you commit yourself to this new trust and responsibility, in the confidence that it comes from God through the call of the church?

I will, and I ask God to help me.

Will you carry out this ministry in accordance with the Holy Scriptures and the Confessions of the Lutheran Church, and in harmony with the constitutions of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America?

I will, and I ask God to help me.

Will you be diligent in your study of the Holy Scriptures and in your use of the means of grace? 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?

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.

Will you guide, encourage, and support the ministers and the congregations of this church/synod in their ministries? Will you be an advocate for the ministries of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, and will you support this church's work with global and ecumenical partners?

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.

The assembly stands.

The presiding bishop addresses the assembly.

People of God, representatives of this synod, will you receive Kevin as a servant of God and a shepherd in the church of Jesus 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.

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 - might - 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.

The Thanksgiving

The bishop-elect kneels.

The presiding minister leads the assembly in giving thanks.

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.

Almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, we give you thanks that by your Holy Spirit you sustain the church. By the power of the Holy Spirit you call, gather, enlighten, and sanctify the whole church.

The presiding bishop lays both hands on the head of the one being installed.

Pour out your Spirit upon Kevin
to empower and enlighten his ministry as a bishop in your church.
Sustain him as a shepherd who tends the flock of Christ with love and gentleness,
and oversees the ministries of the church with vision and wisdom.
Uphold him as a faithful steward of your holy word and life-giving sacraments
and a strong sign of reconciliation among all people.
Give courage and fortitude to sustain him in this ministry.
We ask this through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Savior and Lord,
through whom all glory and power and honor are yours in your holy church,
both now and forever.

Amen.

The presiding bishop addresses the one being installed.

The office of bishop is now committed to you in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

Blessing

Addressing the newly installed bishop, the presiding bishop 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.

Prayers of Intercession

The newly installed bishop may stand.

The assembly responds to each prayer petition saying:

Lord in your mercy,
Hear our prayer.

The newly installed bishop may kneel, as the presiding bishop continues.

Remember to rekindle the gift of God that is within you. For God did not give us a spirit of timidity but a spirit of power and love and self-control.

Amen.

Giving of a Cross

The bishop is presented with a pectoral cross.

Receive this cross and wear it as a sign of your calling to serve Christ and Christ's people, and as an emblem of the office to which you have been elected.

The newly installed bishop stands and the presiding minister presents him to the people.

Peace

The new bishop and the assembly greet each other in the peace of the risen Christ

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

The people in the sanctuary and worshipping online may greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace, saying 'Peace be with you' or similar words.

The assembly is seated.

MEAL

Offertory Anthem

God is Calling, Here I Am

by Dr. Karen Black
The Wartburg Choir

Offering Prayer

Holy God, gracious and merciful, you bring forth food from the earth and nourish your whole creation. Turn our hearts toward those who hunger in any way, that all may know your care; and prepare us now to feast on the bread of life, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you. And al - so 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.

The image shows a musical score for a hymn. It consists of four staves of music, each with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The lyrics are written below the notes. The first staff has two measures: 'The Lord be with you.' and 'And al - so with you.'. The second staff also has two measures: 'Lift up your hearts.' and 'We lift them to the Lord.'. The third staff has two measures: 'Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.'. The fourth staff has two measures: 'It is right to give our thanks and praise.'. The music is written in a simple, melodic style with quarter and eighth notes.

Preface

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy...
... we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Holy, Holy, Holy

The image shows a musical score for the hymn 'Holy, Holy, Holy'. It consists of four staves of music in a single system, all written in treble clef with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The lyrics are written below the notes. The first staff begins with 'Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,'. The second staff continues with 'heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the'. The third staff continues with 'high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -'. The fourth staff concludes with 'san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.' The music features a mix of quarter, eighth, and sixteenth notes, with some rests and ties.

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,
heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry. 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. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

You are indeed holy, almighty and merciful God.
You are most holy,
and great is the majesty of your glory.

You so loved the world that you gave your only Son,
so that everyone who believes in him may not perish
but have eternal life.

We give you thanks for his coming into the world
to fulfill for us your holy will
and to accomplish all things for our salvation.

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.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup,
we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.



Remembering, therefore, his salutary command,
his life-giving passion and death, his glorious resurrection and ascension,
and the promise of his coming again,
we give thanks to you, O Lord God Almighty,
not as we ought but as we are able;
we ask you mercifully to accept our praise and thanksgiving
and with your Word and Holy Spirit to bless us, your servants,
and these your own gifts of bread and wine,
so that we and all who share in the body and blood of Christ
may be filled with heavenly blessing and grace,
and, receiving the forgiveness of sin,
may be formed to live as your holy people
and be given our inheritance with all your saints.

To you, O God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
be all honor and glory in your holy church, now and forever.



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.**

Communion

Communion distribution will take place at various stations throughout the sanctuary. Please proceed at the direction of the ushers.

Gluten-free bread and grape juice are available upon request at all stations.

Those who do not wish to take communion are invited to come forward for a blessing. Please indicate this to the communion minister by crossing your arms over your chest.

Lamb of God



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

Music During Communion

Jon Buse, Tom and Betsy Kirby

Song After Communion

The Wartburg Choir

Prayer After Communion

We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life. In your mercy, strengthen us through this gift, in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

SENDING

Thanks and Sending Words

Blessing

The assembly stands.

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

Amen.

Sending Hymn:

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty (arr. M. Gender), Lobet den Herrn,

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1. Praise to the Lord, the Al - migh - ty the king of cre - a - tion!
All Trebles 2. Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so won - drous - ly reign - eth!
All Low Voices 3. Praise to the Lord, who doth pro - sper thy work and de - fend thee;
Choir Only 4. *Praise to the Lord, who with mar - ve - lous wis - dom hath made thee.*
5. Praise to the Lord, oh let all that is in me a - dore him!



O my soul, praise him for he is thy health and sal - va - tion.
Shel - ters thee un - der his wings, yea, so gen - tly sus - tain - eth.
Sure - ly His good - ness and mer - cy here dai - ly at - tend thee.
Bless'd thee with health and with lo - ving hand gui - ded and stayed thee.
All that has life and breath come now with prais - es be - fore him!



All ye who hear, now to his te - mple draw near,
Hast thou not seen how thy de - sires e'er have been
Pon - der a - new what the al - migh - ty can do
How oft in grief hath he not brought thee re - lief;
Let the a - men sound from his pe - ople a - gain.



praise him in glad a - do - ra - - tion.
gran - ted in what he or - dain - - eth.
if with his love He be - friend thee.
sprea - ding his wings for to shade thee.
Glad - ly for - ev - er a - dore thee!

Dismissal

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Sortie Improvisée,

Dr. Matt Gender, Organ



The Rev. Kevin T. Jones
Bishop of the Northeastern Iowa Synod ELCA

Born in Lansing, Mich., Bishop Jones has lived in a variety of settings — from large cities and suburban bedroom communities to small towns and a rural farm. He graduated from high school in Dubuque, Iowa. He received a BA in English from Central Michigan University, in Mt. Pleasant, Mich., and worked in retail management before receiving an M.Div. from Luther Northwestern Seminary in St. Paul, Minn. He served an internship at Good Shepherd Lutheran in Novato, Calif. He was ordained on July 23, 1993, at St Peter Lutheran Church in Garnavillo, Iowa. Pastor Jones' first call was as associate pastor to the Blair Lutheran Churches, a three-point parish in Blair, Wis., where he served eight years. In 2001 he was called to Lutheran Church of the Resurrection in Marion, Iowa where he served until 2014 when he was called to Trinity Lutheran in Mason City, Iowa, as pastor to Youth, Families, and Education.

Bishop Jones has served on several local non-profit boards, including North Iowa Children's Alliance and Habitat for Humanity North Central Iowa. He has a passion for outdoor camping ministry, teaching, preaching, and mentoring church leaders of all ages. In his spare time, he is a DIYer, woodworker and carver, and has recently taken up chainsaw carving.

Bishop Jones and his spouse, Amy, have two adult children, Nate (who is married to Maggie) and Sara. Bishop Jones and Amy live with Thorin, their Great Dane, in Mason City.

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NORTHEASTERN IOWA SYNOD, ELCA PECTORAL CROSS

The Pectoral Cross of the Northeastern Iowa Synod was given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Solveig Gregory.

This Cross is worn by the Bishop of the Synod as a distinguishing symbol of the Office of Bishop. It is patterned after the Pectoral Cross of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA) Presiding Bishop. This is the Synod's cross and is not a gift to any particular synodical bishop. It will be handed on from one bishop to the next throughout the history of this synod.

From her faithful service to this synod as a member of the Transition Team, which designed the synod structure and prepared for the creation of this synod to the time of her death, Solveig supported and advocated for the mission and ministry of the Northeastern Iowa Synod.

She was an active member of the Board of Lutheran Social Service during the time of that organization's integration with Bremwood Lutheran Services. Her dedication to the ministry of the Women of the ELCA was expressed in a myriad of ways. Proud of her Danish heritage and her alma mater, Solveig was honored to serve on the Board of Regents for Grand View University.

Solveig was a key member of the team that introduced the Evangelical Lutheran Worship resources to this synod. She led synod assembly worship planning and is remembered fondly by the second bishop of this synod for providing him piano lessons during his sabbatical.

For these reasons and many more, the Northeastern Iowa Synod receives this Pectoral Cross with gratitude for all that Solveig Gregory gave of herself to this synod. We give thanks to God for the witness of a life faithfully lived.