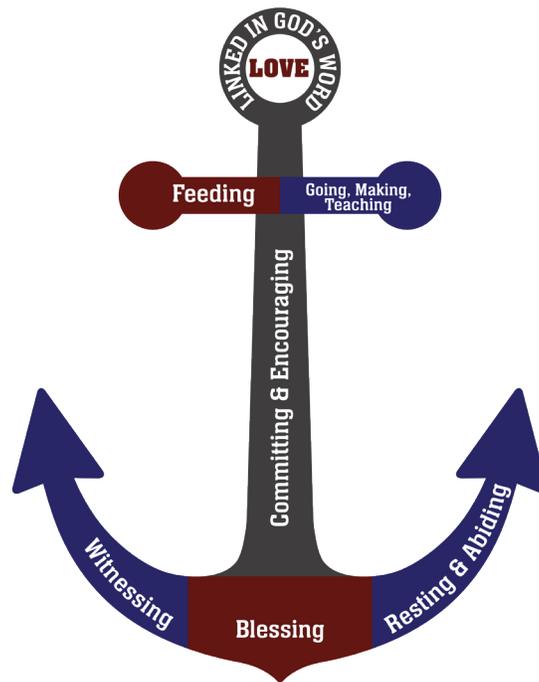


2022 Western Pennsylvania Annual Conference

Ordination, Commissioning and Receiving into Membership



Thursday, June 2, 2022

7:00 pm

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Entrance

GATHERING

Holy Water

~ Scott Cash, Andrew Bergthold, Martin Cash,
Franni Cash, Ed Cash

House of Miracles

~ Brandon Lake & Jacob Sooter

Holy Spirit

~Katie Torwalt, Bryan Torwalt

* WELCOME

*PROCESSIONAL HYMNS

Please rise in body or spirit and lift your hearts to God.

O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing

~ Charles Wesley, Carl Gotthelf Glaser,
David Crowder & Jack Parker

Hosanna (Praise is Rising)

~ Paul Baloche & Brenton Brown

Raise A Hallelujah

~ Bethel Music, Melissa Helser,
Jonathon David Helser

*GREETING AND PRAYER

Bishop: The grace of Jesus Christ be with you all.

People: And also with you.

Bishop: We come together – here in this place and connected online – to praise God, to hear the Holy Word, and to seek for ourselves and others the power, presence and direction of the Holy Spirit. Let us pray.

People: Eternal God, by Jesus Christ and the Holy Spirit you gave to your apostles many excellent gifts. Give your grace to all servants of your church, that we may with diligence and faithfulness fulfill our various ministries. Grant that we your people may follow where you lead, perfect our ministries, and live in joyful obedience to your will, through Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.

**Please rise in body or spirit.*

Recognition of Common Ministry and Reaffirmation of Baptism

Bishop: Ministry is the work of God, done by the people of God and given to each Christian as vocation. Through baptism, all Christians are made part of the priesthood of all believers, the church, Christ's body, made visible in the world. God in Christ through the Holy Spirit empowers us to live as witnesses of God's grace and love. We all share in Christ's ministry of love and service for the redemption of the human family and the whole of creation. Therefore, in celebration of our common ministry, I call upon all God's people gathered here – and those joining us digitally: Remember you are baptized, and be thankful.

People: We reaffirm our baptism and our common call to ministry. Thanks be to God!

Presentation of Persons to be Ordained, Commissioned and Recognized

Paul Huey, Conference Co-Lay Leader

The Rev. Eric Raygor & The Rev. Kelley Schanely, Board of Ordained Ministry Co-Chairs

Bishop: Who presents these candidates to be ordained, commissioned and recognized?

All Laity: We have recommended them in our local congregations. We present them with our prayers and support.

Members of the Board of Ordained Ministry: We have examined these candidates according to the standards of our Discipline and this annual conference of the United Methodist Church. We present them with our prayers and support.

Co-Chairs of the Board of Ordained Ministry: (candidates stand in place as name is read)

We present for ordination as elders:

Jeremy Wayne Barkley

Caleb Fugate

John Mark Heckman

Matthew Howe

Dylan Reed Parson

We present for commissioning as provisional members preparing for ordained ministry as a deacon:

Dustin Randal Heath

We present for commissioning as provisional members preparing for ordained ministry as an elder:

John. F Balliet, Jr.

We present to be received into membership as an Associate Member:

Dawn Eileen Krishart

We present them with our prayers and support.

Candidates turn to face congregation

Bishop: These persons are by God's grace to be ordained, commissioned or recognized for set apart ministry in Christ's Holy Church. Those authorized by the Church to inquire about them have discerned that they are persons of sound learning and Christian character, possess the necessary signs of God's grace, and have demonstrated a profound commitment to serve Jesus Christ. Therefore, they believe them to be duly called to serve God. We ask you, people of God, to declare your assent to the ordination, commissioning, receipt or recognition of these persons.

Do you trust that they are worthy, by God's grace, to be ordained, commissioned, received or recognized?

People: We do! Thanks be to God!

Bishop: Will you uphold them in their ministry?

People: With God's help, we will.

The General Examination

Candidates turn to face the Bishop

Bishop: My sisters and brothers in Christ, you have been called to an ordained, commissioned, or recognized status in set apart ministry. The church now confirms your calling. As ordained or commissioned ministers, you are to be coworkers with all the people of God - with laity, bishops, elders, deacons, local pastors, provisional members, diaconal ministers, deaconesses, missionaries, supply pastors – with all who serve God in the church. Remember you are called to serve rather than to be served, to proclaim the faith of the church and no others, to look after the concerns of God above all. So we may know you believe yourselves to be called by God and that you profess the Christian faith, we ask you:

Bishop: Do you believe that God has called you to the life and work of ordained or licensed ministry?

Candidates: I do so believe.

**Please rise in body or spirit.*

Bishop: Do you believe in the Triune God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit and confess Jesus Christ as your Lord and Savior?

Candidates: I do so believe and confess.

Bishop: Are you persuaded that the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments contain all things necessary for salvation through faith in Jesus Christ and are the unique and authoritative standard for the church's faith and life?

Candidates: I am so persuaded, by God's grace.

Bishop: Will you be faithful in prayer, in the study of the Holy Scriptures, and with the help of the Holy Spirit continually rekindle the gift of God that is in you?

Candidates: I will, with the help of God.

Bishop: Will you do your best to pattern your life in accordance with the teachings of Christ?

Candidates: I will, with the help of God.

Bishop: Will you, in the exercise of your ministry, lead the people of God to faith in Jesus Christ, to participate in the life and work of the community, and to seek peace, justice, and freedom for all people?

Candidates: I will, with the help of God.

Bishop: Will you be loyal to the United Methodist Church, accepting and upholding its order, liturgy, doctrine, and discipline, defending it against all doctrines contrary to God's Holy Word, and committing yourself to be accountable with those serving with you, and to the bishop and those who are appointed to supervise your ministry?

Candidates: I will, with the help of God.

Bishop: Will you, for the sake of the church's life and mission, covenant to participate in the life of the Order into which you are ordained, commissioned or received? Will you give yourself to God through the Order so that you may sustain and build each other up in prayer, study, worship and service under the rule of life set forth in the vows you take this day?

Candidates: I will, with the help of God.

Bishop: May God, who has given you the will to do these things, give you the grace to perform them, that the work begun in you may be brought to perfection.

People: Amen!

***SONG OF AFFIRMATION**

The Blessing

~Chris Brown, Cody Carnes, Kari Jobe, Steve Furtick

**Please rise in body or spirit.*

Proclamation and Response

*THE GOSPEL

Matthew 4:19

SERMON

“Invited to Fish”

The Rev. Dr. Asa Lee

Special Music

So Will I (100 Billion X)

~ Joel Houston, Benjamin Hastings &
Michael Fatkin

OFFERING

~benefits the Bishop’s Discretionary Fund
The Rev. Renee Mikell, Assistant to the Bishop

OFFERTORY

King of Kings

~ Scott Ligertwood, Brooke Ligertwood & Jason Ingram

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

The Rev. Renee Mikell

Commissioning of Provisional Members

Commissioning Candidates stand in place and face the congregation

Bishop: By affirming the covenant of baptism, all members of Christ’s holy church pledge to serve as Christ’s representatives in the world. Christ gave all of us this command: “Ask the Lord of the harvest to send laborers into his harvest.” We have asked, and the Lord has answered. These sisters and brothers know our Savior’s concern for God’s people, see the plentiful harvest, and are ready to respond generously to the Lord in the words of the prophet: “Here I am; send me.” Urged on by the love of Christ and strengthened by the Holy Spirit, they now come to declare in public their desire to live out the covenant made at their baptism by binding themselves to the service of God under the supervision of the bishop and the guidance of colleagues in full connection and by being appointed to share as servant leaders in the body of Christ. Today we commission them to service as they continue to prepare for ordained ministry among us.

Bishop: Let us pray: God of the apostles and prophets, of the martyrs and teachers, you raise up men and women to be apostolic leaders in your church. By your Holy Spirit help these, your servants, to understand and live the mystery of your love with boldness and joy. Deepen their sense of purpose as they exercise commissioned ministry. Empower them, and those who will walk with them to guide their ministry, together with all your people, to heal the sick, love the outcast, resist evil, preach the Word, and give themselves freely for your sake. Amen

**Please rise in body or spirit.*

Commissioning Candidates are seated. In turn, they come forward for commissioning.

Bishop: Pour out your Holy Spirit upon **John F. Balliet, Jr.** Send him now to proclaim the good news of Jesus Christ, to announce the reign of God, and to equip the church for ministry, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

People: **Amen.**

Bishop: Pour out your Holy Spirit upon **Dustin Randal Heath.** Send him now to proclaim the good news of Jesus Christ, to announce the reign of God, and to equip the church for ministry, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

People: **Amen,**

Examination of Elders

Elder candidates stand in place and face the Bishop.

Bishop: An elder is called to share in the ministry of Christ and of the whole church: to preach and teach the Word of God and faithfully administer the sacraments of Holy Baptism and Holy Communion; to lead the people of God in worship and prayer; to lead persons to faith in Jesus Christ; to exercise pastoral supervision, to order the life of the congregation and the connection, to counsel the troubled, and declare the forgiveness of sin; to lead the people of God in obedience to Christ's mission in the world; to seek justice, peace and freedom for all people; and to take a responsible place in the government of the Church in service in and to the community.

This is the rule of life and work of an elder. Do you believe that God has called you to the life and work of an elder?

Candidates: I do so believe.

Laying on of Hands and Prayer for Elders

Elder candidates turn to face the congregation.

Bishop: As these persons are ordained or recognized by the church for the office and work of elders to which we believe they have been called by the Holy Spirit, let us pray for them:

We praise you, eternal God, because you have called us to be a priestly people, offering to you acceptable worship through Jesus Christ, our Lord, Apostle and High Priest, Shepherd and Bishop of our souls. We thank you that, by dying, Christ has overcome death and, having ascended into heaven, has poured forth gifts abundantly on your people, making some apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and

teachers, to equip the saints for the work of ministry, to build up Christ's body, and to fulfill your gracious purpose in the world.

Give to these your servants the grace and power they need to serve you in this ministry. Make them faithful pastors, patient teachers, and wise counselors. Enable them to serve without reproach, to proclaim the gospel of salvation, to administer the sacraments of the new covenant, and to offer with all your people spiritual sacrifices acceptable to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Elder Candidates are seated. In turn, they come forward for ordination.

Bishop: Almighty God, pour upon **Jeremy Wayne Barkley** the Holy Spirit for the office and work of an elder in Christ's holy church.

People: Amen.

Bishop: **Jeremy Wayne Barkley**, take authority as an elder to preach the Word of God, to administer the Holy Sacraments, and to order the life of the Church; in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

Bishop: Almighty God, pour upon **Caleb Fugate** the Holy Spirit for the office and work of an elder in Christ's holy church.

People: Amen.

Bishop: **Caleb Fugate**, take authority as an elder to preach the Word of God, to administer the Holy Sacraments, and to order the life of the Church; in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

Bishop: Almighty God, pour upon **John Mark Heckman** the Holy Spirit for the office and work of an elder in Christ's holy church.

People: Amen.

Bishop: **John Mark Heckman**, take authority as an elder to preach the Word of God, to administer the Holy Sacraments, and to order the life of the Church; in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

Bishop: Almighty God, pour upon **Matthew Howe** the Holy Spirit for the office and work of an elder in Christ's holy church.

People: Amen.

Bishop: **Matthew Howe**, take authority as an elder to preach the Word of God, to administer the Holy Sacraments, and to order the life of the Church; in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

Bishop: Almighty God, pour upon **Dylan Reed Parson** the Holy Spirit for the office and work of an elder in Christ's holy church.

People: Amen.

Bishop: **Dylan Reed Parson**, take authority as an elder to preach the Word of God, to administer the Holy Sacraments, and to order the life of the Church; in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

Receiving Into Membership

Those being received into Associate Membership move to the front and face the Bishop.

Bishop: You have served among us faithfully as a local pastor, demonstrating your commitment to accept and uphold the doctrine, liturgy and discipline of The United Methodist Church, under the appointment of the bishop. You have now fulfilled the requirements and been elected by the clergy session of this annual conference as an associate member. We rejoice that you have been called to serve among us, and pray that God may guide your ministry.

Dawn Eileen Krishart, we now recognize you as an associate member in the Western Pennsylvania Annual Conference.

Thanksgiving and Communion

INVITATION TO THE TABLE AND PEACE

The Rev. Nicole Crouch, Deacon

Deacon: Christ our Lord invites to his table all who love him, who earnestly repent of their sin, and seek to be at peace with God and one another. Therefore, let us confess our sin before God and one another.

CONFESSION AND PARDON

People: Merciful God, we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart. We have failed to be an obedient church. We have not done your will, we have broken your law, we have rebelled against your love, we have not loved our neighbors, and we have not heard the cry of the needy. Forgive us, we pray. Free us for joyful obedience, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Deacon: Hear the good news: Christ died for us while we were yet sinners; that proves God's love toward us. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

People: In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

People: Glory to God. Amen.

**Please rise in body or spirit.*

Deacon: The peace of the Lord be always with you!

People: And also with you!

Taking of the Bread and Cup

*THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Bishop: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Bishop: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

Bishop: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Bishop: It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, almighty God, Creator of heaven and earth. You built your church on the foundation of the prophets and apostles, and instituted a holy ministry so that your prophetic and apostolic Word might be heard until the end of time. And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

People: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Bishop: Holy are you, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ. He called disciples and empowered them for ministry. By the baptism of his suffering, death, and resurrection you gave birth to your church and made with us a new covenant by water and the Spirit.

On the night in which Jesus gave himself up for us, he took bread, gave thanks to you, broke the bread, gave it to his disciples, and said: "Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

When the supper was over, Jesus took the cup, gave thanks to you, gave it to his disciples, and said: "Drink from this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, poured out for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."

When Jesus, the great Shepherd of your flock, ascended, he sent forth the apostles to preach the gospel and make disciples of all nations. He promised to be with them always and sent the Holy Spirit to lead them.

**Please rise in body or spirit.*

And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ, we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ's offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith:

People: Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

Bishop: Come upon us, Holy Spirit.

People: Come upon us, Holy Spirit.

Bishop: Come upon these gifts.

People: Come upon these gifts.

Bishop: Make them be for us Christ's body, Christ's blood.

People: Make us one body in Christ enlivened by his blood.

Bishop: One in heart, one in mind, one in you, Holy Spirit, as you move us to pray for the church and the world:

Deacon: That we may proclaim the gospel boldly:

People: Hear us, Lord.

Deacon: That we may offer your healing for all who are sick, and for people who are tired and weary:

People: Hear us, Lord.

Deacon: That we may be channels of your mercy over all your works, in earth, and sky, and sea:

People: Hear us, Lord.

Deacon: That all who this hour have been set apart for specialized ministries may lead, learn, and teach among us with wisdom and compassion:

People: Hear us, Lord.

Deacon: That many dead and left for dead be raised, and death itself vanquished:

People: Hear us, Lord.

Deacon: That all who are possessed, oppressed, distressed, depressed and downcast may be set free at last:

People: Hear us, Lord.

Bishop: Even so, come and fill this feast, Holy Spirit, this day and every day until that day when we eat it new at the marriage supper of the Lamb!

People: All blessing and glory, thanksgiving and power, wisdom and honor and might be yours, Holy Triune God, now and forever. Amen!

BREAKING THE BREAD AND OFFERING THE CUP

Bishop: Because there is one loaf, we who are many are one body, because we all partake of the one loaf. The bread which we break is a sharing in the body of Christ. The cup over which we give thanks is a sharing in the blood of Christ.

**Please rise in body or spirit.*

GIVING THE BREAD AND CUP

Homecoming

Build My Life

~ Brian Johnson, Christian Ostrom,
Cory Asbury & Gable Patrick Price

~ Pat Barrett, Matt Redman, Brett Younker,
Kirby Kaple & Karl Martin

RECEIVING THE BREAD AND CUP TOGETHER

PRAYER AFTER RECEIVING

Bishop: Let us pray.

People: Thank you, God, for uniting us with Jesus in this holy mystery. We are no longer our own, but yours. So send us all, and put us to leading and serving in your mission wherever we go. Amen.

CALL TO MINISTRY

***DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING**

Bishop: The grace of Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you always. Go in peace to serve God and your neighbor in all that you do.

People: We are sent in Christ's name. Thanks be to God!

***RECESSIONAL AND GOING FORTH TO SERVE**

Glorious Day

~ Jason Ingram, Jonathan Smith,
Sean Curran & Kristian Stanfill

POSTLUDE

Rattle!

~ Brandon Lake, Chris Brown, Steven Furtick

Full Membership and Elder's Orders

Jeremy Wayne Barkley – Education: University of Pittsburgh @ Johnstown, 2007; United Theological Seminary, 2019 – Home Church: Cumberland First Church of the Nazarene – Spouse: Heather Marie Barkley – Sponsors: Rev. Randy Bain, Rev. Alyce Weaver Dunn, Rev. Gary Barkley

Caleb Fugate – Education: Messiah College, 2016; Duke Divinity School, 2019 – Home Church: Punxsutawney First UMC – Fiancée: Jessie Jennings – Sponsors: Rev. Nathanael Fugate, Rev. James Pond, Rev. Bill Blair

John Mark Heckman – Education: Indiana University of PA, 1991; California Univ. of PA, 2004; United Theological Seminary, 2019 – Home Church: Brookville First UMC – Spouse: Michele Heckman – Sponsors: Rev. Paul Ritchey, Rev. Bill Blair

Matthew Howe – Education: Toccoa Falls College, 2009; Asbury Theological Seminary, 2020 – Home Church: Home Camp UMC – Sponsors: Rev. Rick Howe, Rev. Kelley Schanely

Dylan Reed Parson – Education: Denison University, Granville, OH, 2016; Duke Divinity School, 2019 – Home Church: Slippery Rock UMC – Spouse: Stormie Parson – Sponsors: Rev. Pam Gardner, Rev. Keith McIlwain, Rev. Keith Dunn

Received As Associate Member

Dawn Eileen Krishart – Home Church: DuBois First UMC – 16 Years of Service as Licensed Local Pastor in WPAUMC.

Provisional Membership & Commissioning

Deacon Candidates

Dustin Randal Heath – Education: Bethel College, Mishawaka IN, 2012; Asbury Theological Seminary, Wilmore KY, 2018 – Home Church: Asbury UMC: Waterford – Spouse: Rev. Tori Heath

Elder Candidates

John F. Balliet, Jr. – Education: Geneva College, 2019; Pittsburgh Theological Seminary – Home Church: Mahaffey UMC – Spouse: Rev. Kendra Balliet

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