



Worshiping Jesus Christ, Living in His Truth, & Blessing others in His Name.

The Ordination of Luke Alexander Childs to the Sacred Order of the Priesthood

The Sixth Sunday of Easter
Sunday, May 22, 2022
9:30 in the Morning

ALTAR FLOWER DEDICATION

To the glory of God in celebration of the ordination of
Deacon Luke Childs to the Sacred order of Priests.

PRELUDE

Pianist

AN ANGLICAN MOMENT ON THE USE OF INCENSE

Incense was widely used in Judaism and other cultures of the ancient world as a means of sacrifice, purification, and veneration. Frankincense was among the gifts brought by the Magi to the young child Christ (Mt 2:11). For Christians today, incense is associated mainly with prayer, as Rev 8:3-4 and Psalm 141:2 suggest. Many Anglicans feel free to use it as a sacred symbol and aid to worship.

THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN: "Holy, Holy, Holy"

All stand.

1 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!
*2 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! All the saints a - dore thee,
3 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Though the dark - ness hide thee,
4 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!

Ear - ly in the morn - ing our song shall rise to thee:
 cast - ing down their gold - en crowns a - round the glass - y sea;
 though the sin - ful hu - man eye thy glo - ry may not see,
 All thy works shall praise thy Name, in earth, and sky, and sea;

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Mer - ci - ful and might - y,
 cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim fall - ing down be - fore thee,
 on - ly thou art ho - ly; there is none be - side thee,
 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Mer - ci - ful and might - y,

God in three Per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty.
 which wert, and art, and ev - er - more shalt be.
 per - fect in power, in love, and pu - ri - ty.
 God in three Per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty.

WELCOME
Fr John Roberts, Rector

THE ACCLAMATION

The People standing, the Bishop says this or an appropriate seasonal greeting

The Lord will pour out his Spirit upon all flesh,
People **And your sons and daughters shall prophesy.**
Bishop Your old men shall dream dreams,
People **And your young men shall see visions.**
Bishop You shall know that the Lord is in the midst of his people,
People **That he is the Lord and there is none else.**
Bishop And it shall come to pass
People **That everyone who calls on the Name of the Lord shall be saved.**

JOEL 2:27-28, 32; ACTS 2:17, 21^r

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

The Bishop prays (and the People may be invited to join)

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION OF SIN

The Deacon or other person appointed says the following

Let us humbly confess our sins to Almighty God.

Silence

The Deacon and People kneel as able and pray

Most merciful God,

**we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word and deed,
by what we have done, and by what we have left undone.**

**We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.**

We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.

**For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

The Bishop stands and says

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who in his great mercy has promised forgiveness of sins to all those who sincerely repent and with true faith turn to him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE COMFORTABLE WORDS

The Celebrant may then say one or more of the following sentences, first saying

Hear the Word of God to all who truly turn to him.

Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. MATTHEW 11:28

God so loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. JOHN 3:16^T

The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. 1 TIMOTHY 1:15

If anyone sins, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. He is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.

1 JOHN 2:1-2

THE PRESENTATION

Fr John Roberts, Rector; Fr Jim Stout, Parish Discernment Committee; Larry Johnson, Parish Discernment Committee; Barbara Cortese, Senior Warden

The Bishop and People sit. The Presenters, standing before the Bishop, present the Ordinand, saying

Reverend Father in God, we present Luke Alexander Childs to be admitted to the Order of Priests.

Bishop Has he been selected in accordance with the Canons of this Church? And do you believe his manner of life to be suitable to the exercise of this ministry?

Presenters We certify to you that he has satisfied the requirements of the Canons, and we believe him to be qualified for this Order.

The Bishop shall then require the Ordinand to take the Oath of Conformity and the Oath of Canonical Obedience saying

The Canons require that no one may be ordained a Priest in the Church before subscribing without reservation to the Oath of Conformity. It is also required that each Ordinand subscribe without reservation to the Oath of Canonical Obedience. In the presence of this Congregation, I now charge you to make your solemn declaration of these oaths.

The Ordinand then declares

I, Luke Alexander Childs do believe the Holy Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments to be the Word of God and to contain all things necessary to salvation, and I consequently hold myself bound to conform my life and ministry thereto, and therefore I do solemnly engage to conform to the Doctrine, Discipline, and Worship of Christ as this Church has received them. And I do promise, here in the presence of Almighty God and of the Church, that I will pay true and canonical obedience in all things lawful and honest to the Bishop of San Joaquin, and his successors, so help me God.

The Ordinand then signs the Oath of Conformity and the Oath of Canonical Obedience in the sight of all present.

All stand. The Bishop says to the People

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ, you know the importance of this ministry, and the weight of your responsibility in presenting Luke Alexander Childs for ordination to the sacred Priesthood. Therefore if any of you know of any impediment or crime because of which we should not proceed, come forward now and make it known.

If no objection is made, the Bishop continues

Is it your will that Luke Alexander Childs be ordained a Priest?

People **It is.**

Bishop Will you uphold him in this ministry?

People **We will.**

Bishop In peace let us pray to the Lord.

THE LITANY FOR ORDINATIONS

All kneel. Then the Bishop or Litanist appointed shall, with the Clergy and People present, say or sing the Litany for Ordinations. The Ordinand shall either kneel or lie prostrate during the Litany.



O God the Fa-ther, **Have mer-cy up-on us.**



O God the Son, **Have mer-cy up-on us.**

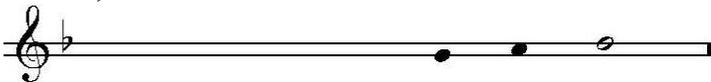


O God the Holy Spi-rit, **Have mer-cy up-on us.**



O Holy Trinity, one God, **Have mer-cy up-on us.**

We beseech you to hear us good Lord; and that it may please you to grant peace to the whole world, and to your Church;



We beseech you to hear us, Good Lord.

That it may please you to sanctify and bless your holy Church throughout the world;



We beseech you to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please you to inspire all Bishops, Priests, and Deacons with the love of you and your truth.



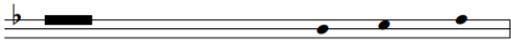
We beseech you to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please you to endue all Ministers of your Church with devotion to your glory and to the salvation of



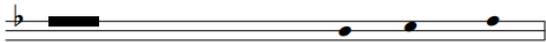
souls; **We beseech you to hear us, good Lord.**

That it may please you to bless this your servant, now to be admitted to the Order of Priests, and to pour your grace upon him; that he may duly execute his Office to the edification of your Church, and to the glory of your holy



Name; **We beseech you to hear us, good Lord.**

That it may please you to guide by your indwelling Spirit those whom you call to the ministry of your Church; that they may go forward with courage, and persevere to the end;



We beseech you to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please you to increase the number of Ministers in your Church, that the Gospel may be preached to all



people; **We beseech you to hear us, good Lord.**

That it may please you to grant us true repentance, amendment of life and the forgiveness of all our sins;



We beseech you to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please you to hasten the fulfillment of your purpose, that your Church may be one;



We beseech you to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please you to grant that we, with all your saints, may be partakers of your everlasting Kingdom;



We beseech you to hear us, good Lord.



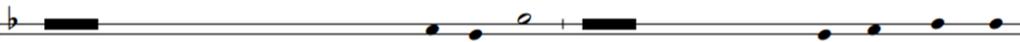
Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.



Christ, have mer - cy up - on us.



Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.



Hear us, O Lord, when we cry out to you; **Have mercy upon us and hear us.**



O Lord, a - rise and help us; **And deliver us for your Name's sake.**



Let your priests be clothed with righteousness; **And let your saints sing with joy.**



O Lord, hear our prayer; **And let our cry come to you.**

At the conclusion of the Litany for Ordinations, the Bishop stands and prays the following collect, first saying

The Lord be with you.
People **And with your spirit.**

Bishop Let us pray.

Almighty God, giver of all good things, by your Holy Spirit you have appointed various Orders of Ministers in your Church: mercifully behold this your servant now called to the Order of Priests, and so fill him with the truth of your doctrine and adorn him with holiness of life, that by word and good example he may faithfully serve you in this office, to the glory of your Name and the edification of your Church; through the merits of our Savior Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, world without end. **Amen.**

THE FIRST LESSON: Acts 14:8-18

English Standard Version

⁸ Now at Lystra there was a man sitting who could not use his feet. He was crippled from birth and had never walked. ⁹ He listened to Paul speaking. And Paul, looking intently at him and seeing that he had faith to be made well, ¹⁰ said in a loud voice, "Stand upright on your feet." And he sprang up and began walking. ¹¹ And when the crowds saw what Paul had done, they lifted up their voices, saying in Lycaonian, "The gods have come down to us in the likeness of men!" ¹² Barnabas they called Zeus, and Paul, Hermes, because he was the chief speaker. ¹³ And the priest of Zeus, whose temple was at the entrance to the city, brought oxen and garlands to the gates and wanted to offer sacrifice with the crowds. ¹⁴ But when the apostles Barnabas and Paul heard of it, they tore their garments and rushed out into the crowd, crying out, ¹⁵ "Men, why are you doing these things? We also are men, of like nature with you, and we bring you good news, that you should turn from these vain things to a living God, who made the heaven and the earth and the sea and all that is in them. ¹⁶ In past generations he allowed all the nations to walk in their own ways. ¹⁷ Yet he did not leave himself without witness, for he did good by giving you rains from heaven and fruitful seasons, satisfying your hearts with food and gladness." ¹⁸ Even with these words they scarcely restrained the people from offering sacrifice to them.

The Word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

Silence may follow. A psalm, hymn, or anthem may follow each reading.

PSALM 67

The New Coverdale Psalter, BCP 2019 p. 350

- ¹ May God be merciful unto us, and bless us, *
and show us the light of his countenance, and be merciful unto us.
- ² **Let your way be known upon earth, ***
your saving health among all nations.
- ³ Let the peoples praise you, O God; *
indeed, let all the peoples praise you.
- ⁴ **O let the nations rejoice and be glad, ***
for you shall judge the peoples righteously, and govern the nations upon earth.
- ⁵ Let the peoples praise you, O God; *
let all the peoples praise you.
- ⁶ **Then shall the earth bring forth her increase, ***
and God, even our own God, shall give us his blessing.
- ⁷ God shall bless us, *
and all the ends of the world shall fear him.

AN ANGLICAN MOMENT
ON THE SCRIPTURES CHOSEN FOR

According to BCP page 486, the scripture lessons appointed for ordinations are Isaiah 6:1-8, Psalm 119:33-40, Ephesians 4:7-16 or Philippians 4:4-9, and Luke 10:1-9 or John 10:1-16. However, when an ordination is on a Sunday, the Bishop may select scripture lessons from the Propers of the Day, which he has done so today, choosing the scripture lessons appointed for the Sixth Sunday of Easter (see BCP p. 724), since this service is also St. Matthias' primary Sunday service.

THE SECOND LESSON: Revelation 21:1-4, 22-22:5

English Standard Version

¹ Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. ² And I saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. ³ And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "Behold, the dwelling place of God is with man. He will dwell with them, and they will be his people, and God himself will be with them as their God. ⁴ He will wipe away every tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning, nor crying, nor pain anymore, for the former things have passed away." ...

²² And I saw no temple in the city, for its temple is the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb. ²³ And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God gives it light, and its lamp is the Lamb. ²⁴ By its light will the nations walk, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it, ²⁵ and its gates will never be shut by day—and there will be no night there. ²⁶ They will bring into it the glory and the honor of the nations. ²⁷ But nothing unclean will ever enter it, nor anyone who does what is detestable or false, but only those who are written in the Lamb's book of life.

22:¹ Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, bright as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb ² through the middle of the street of the city; also, on either side of the river, the tree of life with its twelve kinds of fruit, yielding its fruit each month. The leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations. ³ No longer will there be anything accursed, but the throne of God and of the Lamb will be in it, and his servants will worship him. ⁴ They will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads. ⁵ And night will be no more. They will need no light of lamp or sun, for the Lord God will be their light, and they will reign forever and ever.

The Word of the Lord.

People

Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL HYMN: "Just As I Am"

1 Just as I am, with - out one plea, but that thy
 2 Just as I am, though tossed a - bout with man - ya
 * 3 Just as I am, poor, wretch - ed, blind; sight, rich - es,
 4 Just as I am: thou wilt re - ceive; wilt wel - come,
 5 Just as I am, thy love un - known has bro - ken

1 blood was shed for me, and that thou bidd'st me
 2 con - flict, man - ya doubt; fight - ings and fears with -
 3 heal - ing of the mind, yea, all I need, in
 4 par - don, cleanse, re - lieve, be - cause thy prom - ise
 5 ev - ery bar - rier down; now to be thine, yea,

1 come to thee, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.
 2 in, with - out, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.
 3 thee to find, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.
 4 I be - lieve, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.
 5 thine a - lone, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

THE HOLY GOSPEL: John 14:21-29
English Standard Version

All standing, the Deacon or Priest reads the Gospel, first saying

Deacon The Lord be with you.
People **And with your spirit.**

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. John.
People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

(Jesus said,) ²¹ “Whoever has my commandments and keeps them, he it is who loves me. And he who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I will love him and manifest myself to him.” ²² Judas (not Iscariot) said to him, “Lord, how is it that you will manifest yourself to us, and not to the world?” ²³ Jesus answered him, “If anyone loves me, he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our home with him. ²⁴ Whoever does not love me does not keep my words. And the word that you hear is not mine but the Father's who sent me.

²⁵ “These things I have spoken to you while I am still with you. ²⁶ But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, he will teach you all things and bring to your remembrance all that I have said to you. ²⁷ Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid. ²⁸ You heard me say to you, ‘I am going away, and I will come to you.’ If you loved me, you would have rejoiced, because I am going to the Father, for the Father is greater than I. ²⁹ And now I have told you before it takes place, so that when it does take place you may believe.

After the Gospel, the Reader says

People The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, Lord Christ.

GRADUAL HYMN (continued): “Just As I Am”

6. Just as I am, of thy great love / the breadth, length, depth, and height to prove, / here for a season, then above: / O Lamb of God, I come.

THE SERMON

The Rt. Rev. Dr. Eric Vanter Menees, Bishop of San Joaquin

THE NICENE CREED

All stand to recite the Nicene Creed, the Bishop first saying

Let us confess our faith in the words of the Nicene Creed:

Bishop and People

**We believe in one God,
 the Father, the Almighty,
 maker of heaven and earth,**

of all that is, visible and invisible.

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten 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 from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.**

**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.**

SUNDAY SCHOOL RETURN FOR OLDER CHILDREN

Children will remain with Sunday School teachers and watch ordination from the front row.

THE EXHORTATION

All are seated except the Ordinand, who stands before the Bishop.

The Bishop addresses the Ordinand as follows

You have heard, during the Church's discernment of your vocation and in the Holy Scriptures themselves, how weighty is this Office to which you are called. I now exhort you, in the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to be a messenger, watchman, and steward of the Lord. You are to teach, to warn, to feed, and to provide for the Lord's family, and to seek for Christ's sheep who are in the midst of this fallen world, that they may be saved through Christ for ever.

Remember how great is this treasure committed to your charge. They are the sheep of Christ for whom he shed his blood. The Church and Congregation whom you will serve is his bride, his body. If the Church, or any of her members, is hurt or hindered by your negligence, you must know both the gravity of your fault, and the grievous judgment that will result.

Therefore, consider the purpose of your ministry to the children of God. Work diligently, with your whole heart, to bring those in your care into the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of God, and to maturity in Christ, that there may be among you neither error in religion nor immorality in life. Finally, equip and lead your Congregation to proclaim tirelessly the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

And seeing that the demands of this holy Office are so great, lay aside all worldly distractions and take care to direct all that you do to this purpose: read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest the Scriptures, that you may show yourself both dutiful and thankful to the Lord; and frame your conduct, and that of your household and those committed to

your care, according to the doctrine and discipline of Christ. Know, however, that you cannot accomplish this of yourself; for the will and the ability needed are given by God alone. Therefore, pray earnestly for his Holy Spirit to enlighten your mind and strengthen your resolve.

THE EXAMINATION

The Bishop examines the Ordinand, saying

So that this Congregation of Christ's Church may know your intent in these things, I charge you to answer plainly these questions, which I, in the Name of God and his Church, now ask:

Do you believe in your heart that you are truly called, according to the will of our Lord Jesus Christ, and according to the Canons of this Church, to the Order and ministry of the Priesthood?

Answer I do so believe.

Bishop Do you believe that the Holy Scriptures contain all things necessary for salvation through faith in Jesus Christ? And are you determined out of the Holy Scriptures to instruct the people committed to your charge, and to teach or maintain nothing as necessary to eternal salvation but that which may be concluded and proved by the Scriptures?

Answer I do so believe, and I am so determined, the Lord being my helper.

Bishop Will you then give your faithful diligence always so to minister the doctrine, sacraments, and discipline of Christ, as the Lord has commanded and as this Church has received them, according to the Commandments of God, so that you may teach the people committed to your charge with all diligence to keep and observe them?

Answer I will, the Lord being my helper.

Bishop Will you be ready, with all faithful diligence, to banish and drive away from the Body of Christ all erroneous and strange doctrines contrary to God's Word; and to use both public and private admonitions and exhortations, to the weak as well as the strong within your charge, as need shall require and occasion shall be given?

Answer I will, the Lord being my helper.

Bishop Will you be diligent in prayer, and in the reading of Holy Scripture, and in such study as may further the knowledge of the same, laying aside all distractions of the world and the flesh?

Answer I will, the Lord being my helper.

Bishop Will you be diligent to frame and fashion your own *life* [and the *life* of your *family*], according to the doctrine of Christ, and to make *yourself* [and them, as much as you are able], a wholesome example and pattern to the flock of Christ?

Answer I will, the Lord being my helper.

Bishop Will you maintain and set forward, as much as you are able, quietness, peace, and love among all Christian people, and especially among those who are or shall be committed to your charge?

Answer I will, the Lord being my helper.

Bishop Will you reverently obey your Bishop and other chief Ministers who, according to the Canons of the Church, may have charge and authority over you, following with a glad mind and a good will their godly admonitions, and submitting yourself to their godly judgments?

Answer I will, the Lord being my helper.

The Congregation may kneel, and prays silently for the fulfillment of these purposes.

The Bishop prays

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who has given you a good will to do all these things, grant you also the strength and power to perform them, accomplishing in you the good work which he has begun, that you may be found perfect and without reproach on the last day; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People **Amen.**

The Ordinand kneels or lies prostrate, facing the Bishop, with the priests present surrounding the Ordinand. The Veni, Creator Spiritus is sung or said as a prayer for the renewal of the Church.

VENI, CREATOR SPIRITUS

Hymn 503



1 Come, Ho - ly Ghost, our souls in - spire,
2 Thou the a - noint - ing Spi - rit art,
3 Thy bless - ed unc - tion from a - bove

All

and light - en with ce - les - tial fire.
who dost thy seven - fold gifts im - part.
is com - fort, life, and fire of love.



4 En - a - ble with per - pet - ual light
5 A - noint and cheer our soil - ed face
6 Keep far our foes, give peace at home:
7 Teach us to know the Fa - ther, Son,

All

the dull - ness of our blind - ed sight.
with the a - bun - dance of thy grace.
where thou art guide, no ill can come.
and thee, of both, to be but One,



8 that through the a - ges all a - long,

All

this may be our end - less song:

Cantor

9 praise to thy e - ter - nal mer - it,

All

Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Spi - rit.

Words: Latin, 9th. cent.; tr. John Cosin (1594-1672); para. of *Veni Creator Spiritus* Music: *Come Holy Ghost*, John Henry Hopkins, Jr. (1820-1891); adapt. and harm. David Hurd (b. 1950) Copyright ©1985, David Hurd. All rights reserved. Used with permission.

THE CONSECRATION OF THE PRIEST

All now stand as witnesses, except the Ordinand, who kneels facing the Bishop.

The Bishop then prays the following prayer, first saying

Let us pray.

Almighty God and most merciful Father, of your infinite love and goodness you have given your only Son Jesus Christ to be our redeemer and the author of everlasting life. After he had made perfect our redemption by his death and resurrection, and ascended into heaven, he sent into the whole world his apostles, prophets, evangelists, pastors, and teachers; by the Holy Spirit, through their labor and ministry, he gathered together a great flock to set forth the eternal praise of your holy Name. For these great benefits, and because you have called this your servant to the same office and ministry, we offer you our most hearty thanks; and we humbly ask that we may daily increase in the knowledge and faith of you and of your Son, and that by this minister, as well as by those entrusted to his care, your holy Name may for ever be glorified, and your blessed kingdom enlarged; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

The bishop with the priests present lay their hands upon the head of the ordinand. The bishop says:

Receive the Holy Spirit for the office and work of a Priest in the Church of God, now committed to you by the imposition of our hands. If you forgive the sins of anyone, they are forgiven. If you withhold forgiveness from anyone, it is withheld. Be a faithful minister of God's holy Word and Sacraments; in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

The Bishop then prays the following over the Ordinand.

Send your heavenly blessing upon this your servant, that he may be clothed with righteousness, and that your Word, spoken by his mouth, may have such success that it may never be spoken in vain. Grant also that we may have grace

AN ANGLICAN MOMENT ON THE LAYING ON OF HANDS

The Bishop lays his hands upon the head of the candidate for ordination in continuation of the biblical practice of appointing leaders in the Church that we see in the New Testament letters of Paul to Timothy:

'For this reason I remind you to fan into flame the gift of God, which is in you through the laying on of my hands...' (2 Timothy 1:6)

as well as the precedent set in the Book of Acts of the Apostles laying hands upon the baptized to receive the Holy Spirit:

'Then they [Peter & John] laid their hands on them and they received the Holy Spirit.' (Acts 8:17)

Through the laying of the Bishop's hands, the Ordinand receives a particular gift or empowering of the Holy Spirit to strengthen and equip them for their calling to serve the people of God.

to hear and receive what he shall deliver out of your most holy Word as the means of our salvation; that in all our words and deeds we may seek your glory and the increase of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, world without end.

The People in a loud voice respond

Amen.

The new Priest may now be vested according to the Order of Priests.

As the Priest is vested with a stole, the Bishop says

Take the yoke of the Lord, for his yoke is easy and his burden is light.

As the Priest is vested with a chasuble, the Bishop says

Receive this priestly garment which symbolizes charity; for God is well able to give you an increase of charity and a perfect work.

The Bishop then anoints the hands of the new Priest with the Oil of Chrism, saying

Grant, O Lord, to consecrate and sanctify these hands by this unction and by our blessing, that whatsoever they bless may be blessed, and whatsoever they consecrate may be consecrated and sanctified, in the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

The Bishop then gives the new Priest a Bible in one hand and a chalice in the other hand saying

Take authority to preach the Word of God and to administer the Holy Sacraments. Do not forget the trust committed to you as a Priest in the Church of God.

AN ANGLICAN MOMENT ON ANOINTING WITH THE OIL OF CHRISM

Oil is used throughout the Old Testament to cleanse and to consecrate (set aside) objects or persons for the service of God. In the early church, blessed oil was used as a physical symbol of the gift of the Holy Spirit given to each Christian, their cleansing from sin, and their ‘setting-aside’ to love and serve Jesus.

Oil of Chrism (from the Greek for ‘anointing’) is used at baptism and confirmation, with the bishop or priest making the sign of the cross on the candidate’s forehead. The newly-ordained priest’s hands are anointed with this same oil to signify their particular use to bless, consecrate, and proclaim forgiveness of sin in Christ’s name.

THE PEACE

The Bishop then says to the People

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And with your spirit.**

Then the Ministers and People may greet one another in the Name of the Lord.

TODDLER SUNDAY SCHOOL RETURN

Younger children will be returned to their parents in the nave.

PRAYERS FOR BIRTHDAYS, ANNIVERSARIES, OR OTHER NEEDS

Those who are celebrating this week, or who have a particular need for prayer, are invited to come forward for prayer.

THE OFFERTORY

The Celebrant may begin the Offertory with a sentence of Scripture (BCP 149-151). The liturgy continues with the Offertory. The Deacon prepares the Table. Standing at the Holy Table with the Bishop and other Ministers, the newly ordained Priest joins in the celebration of the Holy Communion and in the Breaking of the Bread.

THOSE IN ATTENDANCE ARE INVITED TO USE THE ENVELOPE ENCLOSED IN THIS BULLETIN IF THEY WOULD LIKE TO GIVE TO FR LUKE’S OR BISHOP MENEES’ DISCRETIONARY BENEVOLENCE FUNDS, TO THE GENERAL FUND OF ST. MATTHIAS; CHECKS TO ANY OF THESE SHOULD BE MADE OUT TO “ST. MATTHIAS ANGLICAN CHURCH” OR DONATIONS CAN ALSO BE MADE AT www.saintmatthiatoakdale.com/giveonline

ANYONE WHO ATTENDS A VISITING PARISH—SUCH AS GRACE ANGLICAN FROM TURLOCK, JESUS OUR SAVIOR ANGLICAN FROM MODESTO, OR ST. ALBAN’S IN LOS BANOS—WHO WOULD LIKE TO GIVE TO THEIR OWN PARISH TODAY, IS ASKED TO MAKE THEIR CHECK OUT TO THAT PARTICULAR PARISH AND WE WILL PASS IT ALONG

OFFERTORY HYMN: “Lord, You Give The Great Commission”



1. Lord, You give the great com-mis-sion: "Heal the sick and preach the word."
2. Lord, You call us to Your ser-vice: "In my name bap-tize and teach."
3. Lord, You make the com-mon ho-ly: "This My bod-y, this My blood."
4. Lord, You show us love's true mea-sure: "Fa-ther, what they do, for-give."
5. Lord, You bless with words as-sur-ing: "I am with you to the end."



Lest the church ne-glect its mis-sion, and the gos-pel go un-heard,
 That the world may trust Your prom-ise, life a-bun-dant meant for each,
 Let us all, for earth's true glo-ry, dai-ly lift life heav-en-ward,
 Yet we hoard as pri-verse trea-sure all that You so free-ly give.
 Faith and hope and love re-stor-ing, may we serve as You in-tend,



help us wit-ness to Your pur-pose with re-newed in-teg-ri-ty;
 give us all new fer-vor, draw us clos-er in com-mu-ni-ty;
 ask-ing that the world a-round us share Your chil-dren's lib-er-ty;
 May Your care and mer-cy lead us to a just so-ci-e-ty;
 and, a-mid the cares that claim us, hold in mind e-ter-ni-ty;



with the Spir-it's gifts em-power us for the work of min-is-try.



THE DOXOLOGY

As the offerings are presented, the people stand and may sing the doxology as follows



Praise God, from whom all bless-ings flow; praise Him, all crea-tures

Ho-ly ho-ly ho-ly Lord. God of power and might.

Ho-ly ho-ly ho-ly Lord. God of power and might,

heaven and earth are full, full of your glory: Ho-

san-na in the high-est. 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.

THE PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

The People kneel as able. The Celebrant continues

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and when we had sinned against you and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent your only Son Jesus Christ into the world for our salvation. By the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary he became flesh and dwelt among us. In obedience to your will, he stretched out his arms upon the Cross and offered himself once for all, that by his suffering and death we might be saved. By his resurrection he broke the bonds of death, trampling Hell and Satan under his feet. As our great high priest, he ascended to your right hand in glory, that we might come with confidence before the throne of grace.

At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it, or lay a hand upon it, and here may break the bread; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing the wine to be consecrated.*

On the night that he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it,* and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat; this is my Body, which is given for you: Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, Jesus took the cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for 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 in remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

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

Sanctify them by your Word and Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Sanctify us also, that we may worthily receive this holy Sacrament, and be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us and we in him. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us with all your saints into the joy of your heavenly kingdom, where we shall see our Lord face to face.

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. **Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

The Celebrant then says

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

Celebrant and People together pray

**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.**

THE FRACTION

If the consecrated Bread was not broken earlier, the Celebrant breaks it now. A period of silence is kept.

Then may be sung or said

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

THE PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

Celebrant and People together may say

**We do not presume to come to this your table,
O merciful Lord,
trusting in our own righteousness,
but in your abundant and great mercies.
We are not worthy so much as to gather up
the crumbs under your table;
but you are the same Lord,
whose character is always to have mercy.
Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord,
so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ,
and to drink his blood,**

that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body,
 and our souls washed through his most precious blood,
 and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us.
 Amen.

THE AGNUS DEI

The following or some other suitable anthem may be sung here

Je- sus, Lamb of God: have mer- cy on us
 Je- sus, bear-er of our sins have mer- cy on us
 Je- sus, re- deem-er; re- deem-er of the world:
 give us your peace, give us your peace.

THE MINISTRATION OF COMMUNION

Facing the People, the Celebrant may say the following invitation

The gifts of God for the People of God. [Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.]

or this

Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those who are invited to the marriage supper of the Lamb.

JOHN 1:29^T, REVELATION 19:9

The Ministers receive the Sacrament in both kinds, and then immediately deliver it to the People. The Bread and Cup are given to the communicants with these words

The Body of Christ, the bread of heaven.

The Blood of Christ, the cup of salvation.

Who Can Receive Holy Communion?

All persons who have been baptized in the Name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, are repentant of their sins, and are living in charity with their neighbor are welcome to receive Holy Communion at this altar. We welcome all others to come to the altar and receive of prayer of blessing. Please signify you would like to receive a blessing by crossing your arms over your chest at the rail.

COMMUNION HYMNS "Let Us Break Bread Together"

1 Let us break bread to - geth-er on our knees; _____
 2 Let us drink wine to - geth-er on our knees; _____



let us break bread to - geth-er on our knees; _____
let us drink wine to - geth-er on our knees; _____



Refrain

when I fall on my knees, with my face to the ris - ing sun,



O Lord, have mer-cy on me. _____



3 Let us praise God to - geth-er on our knees; _____



let us praise God to - geth-er on our knees; _____



Refrain

when I fall on my knees, with my face to the ris - ing sun,



O Lord, have mer-cy on me. _____

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1. At the ta - ble of ___ the world, some have
 2. At the ta - ble of ___ the world, some have
 3. Set the ta - ble of ___ our God in the

plen - ty, some have none. At the ta - ble of ___ our
 hon - our, some have scorn. At the ta - ble of ___ our
 Church and in the world, till the child - ren, fed ___ and

God, all are plen - ti - ful - ly fed.
 God, all are wel - comed and ___ ac - claimed.
 loved, taste and see that life ___ is good.

Refrain

Blow a - mong us, Spir - it of God, fill us
 with your cour - age and care! Hur - ri - cane ___ and
 Breath, take us on a jour - ney of love! ___

“At The Table of the World”

“Let All Mortal Flesh”

1 Let all mo - rtal flesh keep si - lence, and with fear and
 2 King of kings, yet born of Ma - ry, as of old on
 3 Rank on rank the host of hea - ven spreads its van - guard
 4 At his feet the six - winged ser - aph; cher - u - bim with

trem - bling stand; pon - der noth - ing earth - ly -
 earth he stood, Lord of lords in hu - man
 on the way, as the Light of Light de -
 sleep - less eye veil their fac - es to the

mind - ed, for with bless - ing in his hand
 ves - ture, in the Bo - dy and the Blood
 scend - eth from the realms of end - less day,
 Pres - ence, as with cease - less voice they cry,

Christ our God to earth de - scend - eth,
 he will give to all the faith - ful
 that the powers of hell may va - nish
 "Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!"

our full hom - age to de - mand.
 his own self for heaven - ly food.
 as the dark - ness clears a - way.
 Al - le - lu - ia, Lord Most High!"

Words: Liturgy of St. James, para. Gerard Moultrie (1829-1885) Music: Picardy, French carol, 17th cent.; melody from *Chansons populaires des Provinces de France*, 1860; harm. after *The English Hymnal*, 1906

“Give Thanks” (if needed)

Give thanks with a grateful heart / Give thanks to the Holy One / Give thanks because He’s given Jesus Christ His Son

And now let the weak say I am strong / Let the poor say I am rich / Because of what the Lord has done for us (x2)

A PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

For those attending remotely and therefore unable to receive Holy Communion,, the Bishop will lead them in prayer as follows

Dear Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Holy Sacrament. I love you above all things, and I desire to possess you within my soul. And since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, I beseech you to come spiritually into my heart. I unite myself to you, together with all your faithful people [gathered around every altar of your Church], and I embrace you with all the affections of my soul. Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.

THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People together say the following,

Heavenly Father,

**We thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food
 of the most precious Body and Blood
 of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;
 and for assuring us in these holy mysteries
 that we are living members of the body of your Son,
 and heirs of your eternal Kingdom.**

**And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do,
 to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.**

**To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,
 be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.**

When the Communion is finished, after the Post Communion Prayer, the new Priest prays the following Collect

Go before us, O Lord, in all our doings with your most gracious favor, and further us with your continual help; that in all our works begun, continued, and ended in you, we may glorify your holy Name, and finally, through your mercy, obtain everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE BLESSING

The Bishop then blesses the People saying

Our help is in the Name of the Lord;

People **The maker of heaven and earth.**

Bishop Blessed be the Name of the Lord;

People **From this time forth for evermore.**

Bishop The blessing, mercy, and grace of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you, and remain with you for ever. **Amen.**

THE ANNOUNCEMENTS

Fr John Roberts, Rector

The Saint Matthias News

The last “official” act of the day is the first blessings by the newly ordained priest. Following today’s Dismissal, parishioners who would like to receive a blessing are invited to line up to receive a blessing from Fr Luke in the chancel.



There will be a reception in the Parish Hall following today’s service.



Bobbie Pagano’s mother, Mildred Bartschat, died on Monday. A memorial service is tentatively planned for Friday, June 10. More information to follow soon.



Tomorrow, Bishop Eric Menees, along with SAMS missionaries Fr. Richard and Martha Menees, will travel to Kabale, Uganda, to visit the Anglican Diocese of San Joaquin's partner diocese. the Diocese of Kigezi.

The highlight of this trip will be to attend the Consecration and Enthronement of the Rev. Canon Gaddie Akanjuna as the 6th Bishop of the Diocese of Kigezi. Bishop George Bagamuhunda will be retiring after many years of faithful service.

Please pray for Bishop Menees and Fr. Richard and Martha Menees on their trip May 23nd- June 2nd. Prayer for health and safety, traveling mercies, their families while away, and strong relationships to be forged between our dioceses!



Saint Matthias families are invited to register now for Vacation Bible School (VBS) to be held July 26-28. More information and registration can be found at www.saintmatthiasoakdale.com/vbs The VBS team is also looking for people to help prepare the snacks, assist with set up the week before, greet children at the door, help with outside games, read to children in the Chapel or facilitate children with their crafts. If you are available for one or more days, please speak with Eva, Traci, Amanda or Judy.



Do our church toddlers make you smile every Sunday morning? Imagine the joy you could receive by joining our Toddler’s Sunday School team! We are looking for parishioners who would like to sit with our littlest ones on a rotating basis. Our goal is to have two adults every Sunday. Talk to Eva or Traci if you are interested or want to know more about it.



Fr John will be offering Instruction in the Eucharist immediately following the Sunday service on June 5 (Pentecost) for our children and anyone who is young at heart. If you want to learn more about the meaning behind the gestures that Fr John uses in preparation of the communion, join us for a close-up view around the altar as he walks us through it. Parents should walk up to the altar area with their child immediately following the recessional hymn.



St Matthias will officially be fielding a Softball Team this summer in the Oakdale Church Co-Ed Softball league! This

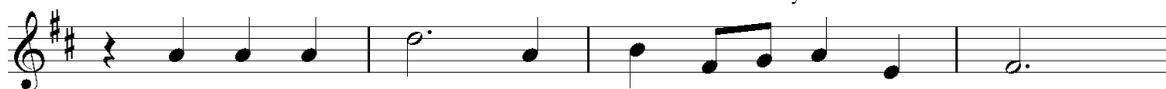
league is a few years old and currently includes River Oak Grace, The River community Church, Mountain View Church, & Calvary Chapel. Games will be on nine summer Fridays beginning July 15 at Kerr Park from 6-8pm. Play includes 10 players (over the age of 18) on the field at a time, with 2 required to be women. We expect participation to cost approximately \$30 per person, including cost of a jersey. If you are interested, grab an info sheet & sign up in the Narthex or at www.saintmatthiasoakdale.com/softball

Celebrating this week...

Their Birthday: Allan J. (23) Luke A. (27)

Their Anniversary: Justin & Britteny B. (28)

RECESSIONAL HYMN: "Tell Out My Soul"



1 Tell out, my soul, the great-ness of the Lord!
 2 Tell out, my soul, the great-ness of his Name!
 3 Tell out, my soul, the great-ness of his might!
 4 Tell out, my soul, the glo - ries of his word!



Un - num - bered bless - ings give my spi - rit voice;
 Make known his might, the deeds his arm has done;
 Powers and do - min - ions lay their glo - ry by.
 Firm is his prom - ise, and his mer - cy sure.



ten - der to me the prom - ise of his word;
 his mer - cy sure, from age to age the same;
 Proud hearts and stub - born wills are put to flight,
 Tell out, my soul, the great - ness of the Lord



in God my Sa - vior shall my heart re - joice.
 his ho - ly Name— the Lord, the Might - y One.
 the hun - gry fed, the hum - ble lift - ed high.
 to chil - dren's chil - dren and for ev - er - more!

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THE DISMISSAL

The Deacon dismisses the People saying

Deacon Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia.
 People **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.**

It is a local custom at Saint Matthias for the people to follow the dismissal by proclaiming

I will follow Christ all of my days!

Following the dismissal, parishioners who would like to receive a blessing are invited to line up to receive a blessing from Fr Luke in the chancel.

POSTLUDE

*A reception in the Parish Hall will
immediately follow today's service.*

SERVING AT THE ALTAR

Celebrant & Preacher: The Rt. Rev. Dr. Eric Vawter Menees, Fifth Bishop of San Joaquin

Master of Ceremonies: The Very Rev. John Roberts, Rector of Saint Matthias

Deacon of the Mass: The Rev. Deacon Wayne Hinds of Grace Anglican Church in Turlock

Thurifer: Dolores Vargas

Lay Eucharistic Minister: Bobbie Pagano

Acolyte: Brad Bates

Torchbearers: Chris Hempleman & Linda Reiff

Lector: Allan James

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