

# The Celebration of a New Ministry



The Installation of  
The Rev. Matthew Wise  
as Vicar of  
Christ Church  
Tulsa, Oklahoma  
by  
The Rt. Rev. Poulson C. Reed  
Bishop of the Diocese of Oklahoma

The Feast of the Presentation  
February 2, 2026

## The Prayer Preparing for Worship

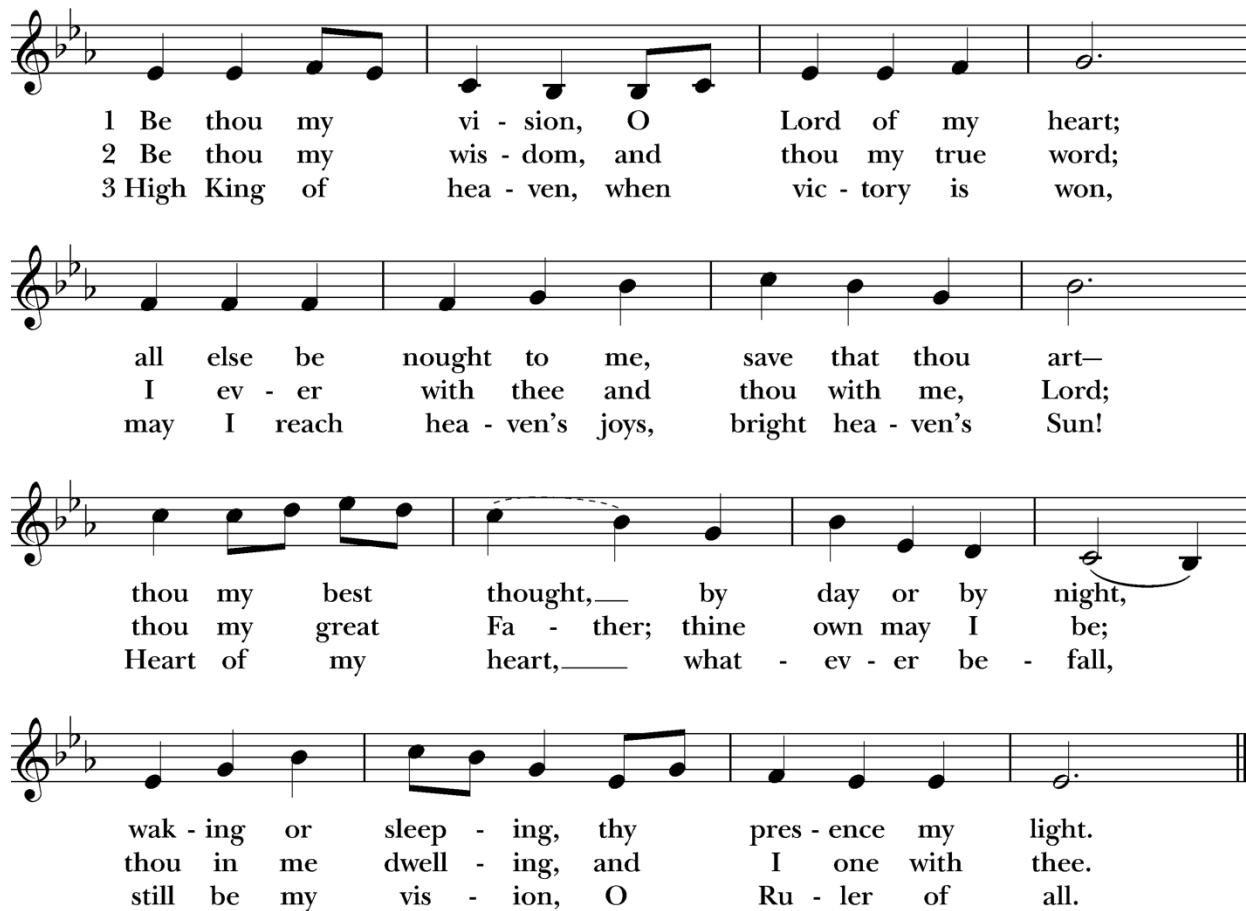
Celebrant Let us pray.

*The Celebrant and People say together*

**God, your Son Jesus Christ promised to be with us whenever we gather together in His name. We thank you for Christ Church and the love that holds us together. Make us eager to gather for worship. Inspire us to learn and grow spiritually, as individuals and as a faith community. We seek knowledge of Your will for us. We pray for the strength and courage, the wit and wisdom, and the humor and creativity to follow Jesus, love people and change the world. Amen.**

## The Hymn in Procession #488

*Mary Elizabeth Byrne | Slane*



1 Be thou my vi - sion, O Lord of my heart;  
2 Be thou my wis - dom, and thou my true word;  
3 High King of hea - ven, when vic - tory is won,  
  
all else be nought to me, save that thou art—  
I ev - er with thee and thou with me, Lord;  
may I reach hea - ven's joys, bright hea - ven's Sun!  
  
thou my best thought,\_\_\_\_ by day or by night,  
thou my great Fa - ther; thine own may I be;  
Heart of my heart,\_\_\_\_ what - ev - er be - fall,  
  
wak - ing or sleep - ing, thy pres - ence my light.  
thou in me dwell - ing, and I one with thee.  
still be my vis - ion, O Ru - ler of all.

## The Institution

*The Wardens, standing before the Bishop with the new minister, say these or similar words*

Bishop Poulson, we have come together today to welcome Matthew Wise, who has been chosen to serve as Vicar of Christ Church. We believe that he is well qualified, and that he has been prayerfully and lawfully selected.

*The Bishop will read the Letter of Institution.*

*The Bishop then says*

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

*New minister* I do.

*The Bishop then addresses the congregation*

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

*People* **We will.**

*The Bishop, standing, says*

Let us then offer our prayers to God for all his people, for this congregation, and Matthew their Vicar.

*The People remain standing.*

## The Litany for Ordinations

*Cantor* *People*

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

*Cantor* *People*

God the Son, Have mer - cy on us.

*Cantor* *People*

God the Holy Spir - it, Have mer - cy on us.

*Cantor* *People*

Holy Trini - ty, one God, Have mer - cy on us.

*Cantor* *People*

We pray to you, Lord Christ. Lord, hear our prayer.

*Cantor*

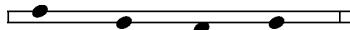
For the holy Church of God, that it may be filled with truth and love, and be found without fault at the Day of your Coming,

*People*

we pray to you, O Lord. Lord, hear our prayer.

For all members of your Church in their vocation and ministry, that they may serve you in a true and godly life, we pray to you, O Lord.

*People*



Lord, hear our prayer.

*The Cantor and people continue to pray responsively, using the same chant*

For Sean, our Presiding Bishop, Poulson, our own Bishop, and for all bishops, priests, and deacons, that they may be filled with your love, may hunger for truth, and may thirst after righteousness, we pray to you, O Lord. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

For Matthew, chosen priest in your Church, we pray to you, O Lord. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

That he may faithfully fulfill the duties of this ministry, build up your Church, and glorify your Name, we pray to you, O Lord. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

That by the indwelling of the Holy Spirit he may be sustained and encouraged to persevere to the end, we pray to you, O Lord. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

For Christ Church, committed to their renewal as a congregation, we pray to you, O Lord. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

That they may discern your mission and follow where you lead, we pray to you, O Lord. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

That they may grow as disciples of Jesus and deepen their lives of prayer, we pray to you, O Lord. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

That they may reach out to their neighbors, sharing the Gospel of Jesus Christ, we pray to you, O Lord. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

For all who fear God and believe in you, Lord Christ, that our divisions may cease and that all may be one as you and the Father are one, we pray to you, O Lord. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

For the mission of the Church, that in faithful witness it may preach the Gospel to the ends of the earth, we pray to you, O Lord. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

For those who do not yet believe, and for those who have lost their faith, that they may receive the light of the Gospel, we pray to you, O Lord. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

For the peace of the world, that a spirit of respect and forbearance may grow among nations and peoples, we pray to you, O Lord. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

For those in positions of public trust, that they may serve justice and promote the dignity and freedom of every person, we pray to you, O Lord. ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

For the poor, the persecuted, the sick, and all who suffer; for refugees, prisoners, and all who are in danger; that they may be relieved and protected, we pray to you, O Lord.

*Lord, hear our prayer.*

For ourselves; for the forgiveness of our sins, and for the grace of the Holy Spirit to amend our lives, we pray to you, O Lord. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

For all who have died in the communion of your Church, and those whose faith is known to you alone, that, with all the saints, they may have rest in that place where there is no pain or grief, but life eternal, we pray to you, O Lord. ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

Rejoicing in the fellowship of the ever-blessed Virgin Mary and all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another,

## The Collects of the Day

*Bishop*      The Lord be with you.

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

*Bishop* Let us pray.

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

Almighty and everliving God, we humbly pray that, as your only-begotten Son was this day presented in the temple, so we may be presented to you with pure and clean hearts by Jesus Christ our Lord; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

*The People are seated.*

## The Liturgy of the Word

### The First Lesson

*Malachi 3.1-4*

*Reader* A Reading from the Book of Malachi.

Thus says the Lord, See, I am sending my messenger to prepare the way before me, and the Lord whom you seek will suddenly come to his temple. The messenger of the covenant in whom you delight-- indeed, he is coming, says the Lord of hosts. But who can endure the day of his coming, and who can stand when he appears?

For he is like a refiner's fire and like fullers' soap; he will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver, and he will purify the descendants of Levi and refine them like gold and silver, until they present offerings to the Lord in righteousness. Then the offering of Judah and Jerusalem will be pleasing to the Lord as in the days of old and as in former years.

The Word of the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

### The Gradual

*Psalm 84*

*Reader* Please join me in saying Psalm 84 responsively by whole verse.

1 How dear to me is your dwelling, O Lord of hosts!

My soul has a desire and longing for the courts of the Lord;  
my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God.

2 ***The sparrow has found her a house***

***and the swallow a nest where she may lay her young;***  
***by the side of your altars, O Lord of hosts,***  
***my King and my God.***

3 Happy are they who dwell in your house!

they will always be praising you.

4 ***Happy are the people whose strength is in you!***

***whose hearts are set on the pilgrims' way.***

5 Those who go through the desolate valley will find it a place of springs,  
for the early rains have covered it with pools of water.

6 ***They will climb from height to height,***

***and the God of gods will reveal himself in Zion.***

7 Lord God of hosts, hear my prayer;  
hearken, O God of Jacob.

8 ***Behold our defender, O God;***

***and look upon the face of your Anointed.***

9 For one day in your courts is better than a thousand in my own room,  
and to stand at the threshold of the house of my God  
than to dwell in the tents of the wicked.

**10 For the Lord God is both sun and shield;**

**he will give grace and glory;**

**11 No good thing will the Lord withhold**

**from those who walk with integrity.**

**12 O Lord of hosts, happy are they who put their trust in you!**

### The Second Lesson

*Hebrews 2.14-18*

*Reader* A Reading from the Book of Hebrews.

Since God's children share flesh and blood, Jesus himself likewise shared the same things, so that through death he might destroy the one who has the power of death, that is, the devil, and free those who all their lives were held in slavery by the fear of death. For it is clear that he did not come to help angels, but the descendants of Abraham. Therefore he had to become like his brothers and sisters in every respect, so that he might be a merciful and faithful high priest in the service of God, to make a sacrifice of atonement for the sins of the people. Because he himself was tested by what he suffered, he is able to help those who are being tested.

The Word of the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

### The Sequence Hymn

*Day by Day*

Day by day, dear Lord, of thee three things I pray:  
to see thee more clearly, love thee more dearly,  
follow thee more nearly, day by day.

## The Gospel

*Luke 2.22-40*

*Deacon* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

*People* ***Glory to you, Lord Christ.***

When the time came for their purification according to the law of Moses, the parents of Jesus brought him up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord (as it is written in the law of the Lord, "Every firstborn male shall be designated as holy to the Lord"), and they offered a sacrifice according to what is stated in the law of the Lord, "a pair of turtledoves or two young pigeons."

Now there was a man in Jerusalem whose name was Simeon; this man was righteous and devout, looking forward to the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit rested on him. It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death before he had seen the Lord's Messiah. Guided by the Spirit, Simeon came into the temple; and when the parents brought in the child Jesus, to do for him what was customary under the law, Simeon took him in his arms and praised God, saying,

"Master, now you are dismissing your servant in peace,  
according to your word;  
for my eyes have seen your salvation,  
which you have prepared in the presence of all peoples,  
a light for revelation to the Gentiles  
and for glory to your people Israel."

And the child's father and mother were amazed at what was being said about him. Then Simeon blessed them and said to his mother Mary, "This child is destined for the falling and the rising of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be opposed so that the inner thoughts of many will be revealed-- and a sword will pierce your own soul too."

There was also a prophet, Anna the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was of a great age, having lived with her husband seven years after her marriage, then as a widow to the age of eighty-four. She never left the temple but worshiped there with fasting and prayer night and day. At that moment she came, and began to praise God and to speak about the child to all who were looking for the redemption of Jerusalem.

When they had finished everything required by the law of the Lord, they returned to Galilee, to their own town of Nazareth. The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom; and the favor of God was upon him.

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

## The Sermon

The Rt. Rev. Poulson Reed  
*Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Oklahoma*

## The Induction

*Representatives of the congregation and of the clergy of the diocese stand before the Bishop with the new minister.*

*Kara Davis, Lay Catechist of the congregation presents a Bible, saying*

Matthew, accept this Bible, and be among us as one who proclaims the Word.

*New Vicar* Together may we proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ.

*People* **Amen.**

*The Bishop presents a vessel of water, saying*

Matthew, take this water, and help me baptize in obedience to our Lord.

*New Vicar* Together may we bring many into this fellowship through the waters of Baptism.

*People* **Amen.**

*Brooklyn Hovenga and Charlotte Ledet, members of the youth group, present a stole, saying*

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

*New Vicar* Together may we share the yoke of Christ, as we minister in his name through Word and Sacrament.

*People* **Amen.**

*Susan Morgan, Kevin Davee, Katie Abboud, current and former members of the Vestry present a Prayer Book, saying*

Matthew, receive this book, and be among us as a person of prayer.

*New Vicar* Together may we be faithful in prayer for the needs of the church and the world.

*People* **Amen.**

*Lyn Hughs and Lorra Plummer, members of the Pastoral Care team, present oil, saying*

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

*New Vicar* Together may we be a community of healing for the sick, the broken-hearted, and those in any kind of need or trouble.

*People* **Amen.**

*Travis Wolff, Senior Warden, now presents the keys of the church, saying*

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

*New Vicar* Together may we seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving our neighbors as ourselves.

*People* **Amen.**

*The Rev. Canon Betsy Randall, Canon to the Ordinary, presents the Constitution and Canons of the Diocese, saying*

Matthew, obey these Canons, and be among us to share in the councils of this diocese.

*New Vicar* Together may we strive for justice and peace, as we continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers.

*People* **Amen.**

*Deana Mendenhall and Pam Dean, Former and Current Chairs of the Altar Guild present bread and wine, saying*

Matthew, take this bread and wine, and be among us to break the Bread and bless the Cup.

*New Vicar* Together may we share in God's transforming love around the Eucharistic Table, where Christ is both host and guest.

*People* **Amen.**

*The Rev. Elizabeth Knowlton, Rector of St. Mark's Episcopal Church, San Antonio, presents a pen saying,*

Matthew, receive this icon, and remain centered in Christ through the spiritual practices of reflection and contemplation.

*New Vicar* Together may we have inquiring and discerning hearts, find the courage to will and to persevere, a spirit to know and love God, and the gift of joy and wonder in all of God's works.

*People* **Amen.**

*Additional representatives of various ministries present other gifts at this time.*

*After each presentation, the People respond* **Amen.**

*When all symbolic gifts have been presented, the Bishop then says*

Matthew, let all these be signs of the ministry which is mine and yours in this place.

*New Vicar* Together may we grow and prosper as people of faith under one shepherd, even Jesus Christ our Lord.

*People* **Amen.**

*The new Vicar kneels in the midst of the church, and says*

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

*The Bishop then presents the new Vicar to the congregation, saying*

Greet your new Vicar.

*The Congregation expresses its approval. Applause is appropriate. The new Vicar then says to the people*

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

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

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

## The Announcements

## The Liturgy of the Table

### The Offertory Anthem

*Gracious Spirit, Dwell with Me* | arr. K. Lee Scott

*Gracious Spirit, dwell with me, I would gracious be;  
Help me now thy grace to see, I would be like thee;  
And, with words that help and heal, thy life would mine reveal;  
And, with actions bold and meek, For Christ, my Savior, speak.*

*Truthful Spirit, dwell with me, I would truthful be;  
Help me now thy truth to see, I would be like thee;  
And with wisdom to kind and clear, thy life in mine appear;  
And, with actions brotherly, Speak Christ's sincerity.*

*Holy Spirit, dwell with me, I would holy be;  
Show they mercy tenderly, Make me more like thee;  
Separate from sin, I would And cherish all things good,  
And whatever I can be Give him who gave me thee.*

*Mighty Spirit, dwell with me, I would mighty be;  
Help me now thy pow'r to see, I would be like thee;  
'Gainst all weapons hell can wield by thou my strength and shield'  
Let thy word my weapon be, Lord, Thine the victory.*

*Gracious Spirit, dwell with me, I would be like thee!*

### Offertory Hymn

*The Doxology* | Thomas Ken; music – *Old Hundredth*

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

## The Great Thanksgiving

*The people remain standing.*

*Eucharistic Prayer A*

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

*The Celebrant proceeds*

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Because in the mystery of the Word made flesh, you have caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of your glory in the face of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

**The Sanctus**

*Robert Powell*

*The Celebrant and People sing together*

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and

might, hea - ven 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.

*The people stand or kneel.*

*Then the Celebrant continues*

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

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

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

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

*The Celebrant continues*

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom. All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and forever. **AMEN.**

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

*People and Celebrant*

***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 Breaking of the Bread

*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.*

### The Fraction Anthem

*Mass of St. Timothy - Lamb of God* | Matt Maher

**Cantor**

**Melody/All**

**Organ**

**1-2.** Lamb of God, {  
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Mi - se - re - re no - bis.

1-3. the world: \_\_\_\_\_ | 1, 2      -      Mi - se - re - re no - bis.

*Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation*

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

*All Baptized Christians are invited to receive Communion. To Receive a blessing, please cross your arms, and if you need a gluten free wafer, please let the clergy know by asking at the Communion Rail.*

**Music During the Administration of Communion**

*Watchman* | Josh Garrels  
*Edens* | Amanda Cook

**The Post Communion Prayer**

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

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

**The Blessing**

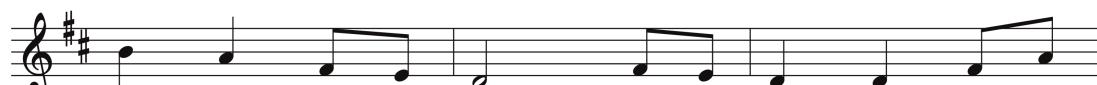
*The Bishop blesses the People.*

## The Hymn of Procession into the World

*Sing a New Church* | Delores Dufner, music: Nettleton



1. Sum - moned by the God who made us Rich in  
2. Ra - diant ris - en from the wa - ter, Robed in  
3. Trust the good - ness of cre - a - tion; Trust the  
4. Bring the hopes of ev - 'ry na - tion; Bring the  
5. Draw to - geth - er at one ta - - ble All the



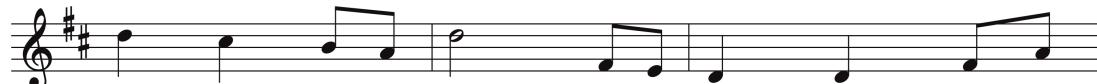
our di - ver - si - ty, Gath-ered in the name of  
ho - li - ness and light, Male and fe - male in God's  
Spir - it strong with - in. Dare to dream the vi - sion  
art of ev - 'ry race. Weave a song of peace and  
hu - man fam - i - ly; Shape a cir - cle ev - er



Je - sus, Rich - er still in u - ni - ty:  
im - age, Male and fe - male, God's de - light:  
prom - ised, Sprung from seed of what has been.  
jus - tice; Let it sound through time and space.  
wid - er And a peo - ple ev - er free.



Let us bring the gifts that dif - fer And, in



splen - did, var - ied ways, Sing a new Church in - to



be - ing, One in faith and love and praise.

## The Dismissal

*A Deacon dismisses the people.*

## Participants in the Liturgy

<i>Celebrant and Preacher</i>	The Rt. Rev. Poulson Reed, <i>Bishop of Oklahoma</i>
<i>Bishop's Chaplain</i>	The Rev. Canon Betsy Randall, <i>Canon to the Ordinary</i>
<i>Vicar</i>	The Rev. Matthew Wise
<i>Assisting Clergy</i>	The Rev. Sarah Smith, <i>Assistant Priest, Christ Church</i> The Rev. Elizabeth Knowlton, <i>Rector, St. Mark's, San Antonio</i>
<i>Deacons</i>	The Rev. Bill Smith, <i>Christ Church Deacon</i> The Rev. Kelsey Carter, <i>Curate</i>
<i>Musicians</i>	The Christ Church Choir Shauna Westall, <i>Choir Director</i> Stacy Lehwald, <i>Organist</i> Nathan Glaser, <i>Piano</i> Matt Meyer, <i>Guitar</i> Andrew Marshall, Cris Bruns, Eva Garrett, <i>vocalists</i>
<i>Lectors</i>	Aubrey Hovenga, Brooklyn Hovenga
<i>Thurifer</i>	JooJo Mill-Graves
<i>Acolytes</i>	Bryson Hovenga, Genevieve Proffitt, Everly Proffitt, Bennett Taylor
<i>Eucharistic Ministers</i>	Birkenfeld Briñez, Cheri Roper, Susan Morgan, Katie Freisenhahn
<i>Ushers &amp; Greeters</i>	Bob Hauge, Lori Hauge, Andy Richardson, Natalie Richardson, Kerry Blankenship, Lori Blankenship

**Following the Celebration of New Ministry, please join us for a festive reception in The Parish Activity Center (PAC).**