
A Celebration of Worship Including the Ordination of Emily Katharine Chudy

November 11, 2012

4:00 p.m.

WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

PRELUDE "I Will Arise and Go to Jesus" *arr. H. Sorenson*

WORDS OF WELCOME Elder Jim Simmons
Rev. Dr. Michael Wilson

***CALL TO WORSHIP** Mr. Simmons

Leader: The God of the whirlwind and fire sweeps into our presence this hour.

People: **Glory be to God who strengthens us and blesses all people with peace.**

Leader: God, who called the world into being and set the stars in place calls forth new life in us today.

People: **Glory be to God, in whose creative purpose we are claimed and empowered.**

Leader: God, whose Spirit unites all people in a common language of love, confirms God's gifts in us as we gather here.

People: **Glory be to God, who created light in which we can walk with confident expectation. Let us worship God!**

***HYMN OF PRAISE** "Come Thou Fount" PH (Blue) #356
Verses 1, 2

PRAYER OF CONFESSION Rev. Patricia Stoltzfus

SILENT PRAYER

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

***RESPONSE OF PRAISE** "Come Thou Fount" verse 3 PH #356
*O to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be! Let thy grace now like a fetter,
bind my wandering heart to thee. Prone to wander, Lord I feel it, prone to leave the God I
love; here's my heart, O take and seal it, seal it for thy courts above.*

***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION *arr. Getty & Townsend*
"Speak, O Lord" (insert)

HEBREW SCRIPTURE READING Genesis 1:1-4; 14-19 Elder Susan Chudy

GOSPEL READING Matthew 2:1-3; 7-11 Elder Andy Blackwood

PSALM READING Psalm 147: 1-11 Rev. Janice Smith Ammon

SERMON "Star Gazing" Rev. Ammon

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

***HYMN OF RESPONSE** "Let All Creation's Wonder" *M. Leckebusch*
verses 1, 3 (insert)

OFFERING

Call to Offering Elder Leah Johnson

Offertory "The Call" Central and St. John's Choirs

***Doxology and Presentation of the Offering**
*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.*

***Prayer of Thanks and Dedication** Rev. Donald Lincoln

SERVICE OF ORDINATION

STATEMENT OF ORDINATION Rev. Dr. Wilson

REAFFIRMATION OF BAPTISM Rev. Dr. Cox-Holmes

PRESENTATION OF THE CANDIDATE Rev. Stoltzfus

CONSTITUTIONAL QUESTIONS TO THE CANDIDATE Rev. Dr. Wilson

COVENANTAL QUESTIONS TO THE CONGREGATION

Do we as members of the church, accept Emily as our pastor, chosen by God through the voice of this congregation to guide us in the way of Jesus Christ?

We do.

Do we agree to encourage her, to respect her decisions, and to follow her as she guides us, serving Jesus Christ who alone is Head of the church?

We do.

Do we promise to pay her fairly, and provide for her welfare, as she works among us; to stand by her in trouble and share her joy? Will we listen to the word she preaches, welcome her pastoral care, and honor her authority as she seeks to honor and obey Jesus Christ our Lord?

We do and we will.

PRAYER OF ORDINATION AND LAYING ON OF HANDS

DECLARATION OF ORDINATION

PRESENTATION OF SYMBOLS OF ORDINATION Elder Melissa Matheson

CHARGE TO THE NEWLY ORDAINED Rev. Dr. Cox-Holmes
COVENANT CHARGE TO THE CONGREGATION Rev. Dr. Wilson

CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST Rev. Emily Katharine Chudy
*Communion will be served by intinction this afternoon. All bread is gluten-free that we might all share of one loaf.

Music during Communion "Table of Plenty" SaNC (Green) #247
(Choir will lead the verses, congregation is invited to join singing on the refrain)

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

WE ARE SENT INTO GOD'S WORD

***CLOSING HYMN** "Go to the World" SaNC #294

***BENEDICTION** Rev. Chudy

POSTLUDE "For All the Saints" *R. Vaughan Williams*

*Those who are able, please stand

The offering this afternoon is received for the Donegal Presbytery's Pastor Emergency Fund, which is used to supply financial assistance for ministers in need. Thank you for your generosity.

All are invited to a reception in Fellowship Hall immediately following the service hosted by Central Presbyterian's Working Guild and Emily's family.

Thank you for your presence with us today!

SERVING AND LEADING IN WORSHIP TODAY

RULING ELDERS

*Elder Andy Blackwood
Central Presbyterian Church; Downingtown, PA

*Elder Susan Chudy
St. John's Presbyterian Church; Devon, PA

*Elder Leah Johnson
Vice Moderator of the Presbytery of Donegal
Westminster Presbyterian Church; West Chester, PA

Elder Melissa Matheson
Clerk of Session
Central Presbyterian Church; Downingtown PA

*Elder Jim Simmons
Central Presbyterian Church; Downingtown, PA

TEACHING ELDERS

The Reverend Janice Smith Ammon
Bryant M. Kirkland Minister of the Chapel,
Princeton Theological Seminary; Princeton, NJ

*The Reverend Doctor Erin Cox-Holmes
Executive Presbyter of the Presbytery of Donegal

*The Reverend Donald D. Lincoln
Westminster Presbyterian Church; West Chester, PA

*The Reverend Patricia Stoltzfus
Covenant Presbyterian Church; Frazier, PA

*The Reverend Doctor Michael Wilson
Moderator of the Presbytery of Donegal
Chestnut Level Presbyterian Church, Quarryville, PA

MUSIC LEADERSHIP

Central Presbyterian Church Praise Band

Central Presbyterian Church Choir with members of
St. John's Devon Choir; directed by Anne Cowburn

Instrumental Musicians: Jane Beam, Deborah Rodgers

USHERING TODAY

Tina Bandoian, Brian Bouvier, Nancy Davis, John Yurkutat

*Indicates Member of the Ordination Commission

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