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Care

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Mark Barrett

Congregational Care Deacons
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Our Welcome

In the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, we welcome you to a place in the sanctuary. May your coming and going be attended with richest blessing.

A SERVICE OF ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION FOR OUR DEACONS ZEBULON BAPTIST CHURCH

October 8, 2023 4:00 p.m.

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP

Indeed, the body does not consist of one member but of many ...
But as it is, God arranged the members in the body, each one of them, as he chose ...
that there may be no dissension within the body, but the members may have the
same care for one another. If one member suffers, all suffer together with it; if one
member is honored, all rejoice together with it.

From 1 Corinthians 12:14, 18, 25-26 (NRSV)

WELCOME

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN No. 285
"God of Grace and God of Glory" Fosdick/Hughes

*RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: We lift up our hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord.Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: For it is good and right for us to be thankful in our hearts toward God.

Leader: Let us celebrate the God who calls us; **People: Who calls us to faith in Christ Jesus,**

Leader: who calls us to the church, which is the body of Christ,

People: and who calls us to service in the church and in the world.

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you,

People: and also with you.

THE GLORIA PATRI

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost! As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end, Amen! Amen!

WELCOME

INTRODUCTION OF NEW DEACONS

A LITANY OF INSTALLATION

Leader: This afternoon this church has gathered to affirm servants of the ministry of God to be our deacons. What promises do we make to these God has called to serve through our church?

People: We commit ourselves to support and affirm the ministry of these Deacons. We will follow their leadership and gladly receive their service. We will pray for them and their families.

Together with them we will seek God's best for our church and its ministries.

Leader: You have previously served within our diaconate, you are being installed for a new term of service. What promises do you make before God and before the people who have called you to service?

Installees: We promise to serve the Lord and the church to the best of our ability. We commit ourselves to supporting this church with our time, our talents, our presence, our caring, and our resources. We promise to rely on God for strength and inspiration in our ministry, committing ourselves to prayer, Bible reading, worship, and a humble walk with God.

Leader: You who will be serving within our diaconate for the first time, you are being ordained as deacons of the church of the Lord Jesus Christ. What promises do you make before God and the people who are setting you apart for service?

Ordinands: We will humbly bow before the Lord and this church to receive the spiritual blessing of the laying on of hands. We will trust in God's grace and rely on God's Spirit to serve well as deacons. We will take on the mantle of servant leadership and pray that our lives will be a positive witness for Jesus and for the church.

Leader: We pray that God will bless each of you who sacrificially offer their service as a deacon. We pray, through the sharing of your Godgiven talents, you will proclaim the Lordship of Jesus Christ, contribute to the spiritual unity of our congregation, and help to maintain the ministry of the Gospel within our community.

ALL: May we all commit to these promises together, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING Acts 6:1-7

(Page 99 in the New Testament of the Pew Bible)

ANTHEM — "Walk in the Spirit of Love" arr. Rouse
The Sanctuary Choir

HOMILY — "Needed and Chosen" Rev. Ward Page

THE LAYING ON OF HANDS

THE ORDINATION PRAYER

THE PRESENTATION OF ORDINATION CERTIFICATES

Deacon Board Chairs

HYMN OF COMMITMENT No. 477

"We Are Called to be God's People" Jackson-Haydn

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE — "Serve the Lord with Gladness"

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