Westminster Presbyterian Church

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (USA)

Service of Ordination and Installation for

Enikő Ferenczy

to the Ministry of Word and Sacrament

Palm Sunday, March 28, 2021, 3:00pm EDT

2:00pm CDT; 12:00pm PDT; 9:00pm Central Europe; 10:00pm Eastern Europe & Middle East

Gathering in God's Name

Prelude Hosanna, Loud Hosanna arr. MICHAEL BURKHARDT
Kenneth Shafer, organ

Words of Welcome **Rev. Matt Skolnik**
General Presbyter, Muskingum Valley Presbytery

Gathering Words

On this day, on Palm Sunday, we celebrate God's amazing work in our midst.
We celebrate the Creator who continues to make all things new.
We celebrate Christ who embodies for us kin-dom ways of living.
We celebrate the Spirit who fills us with love and joy and power.
What awesome responsibility we are given: to share God's life-giving love with all!
Let us give God thanks and praise! Let us worship God!

Opening Prayer

Opening Hymn, No. 409 God is Here! ABBOT'S LEIGH
Tricia Petraven, soprano; David Rice, bass; Kenneth Shafer, piano

Prayer of Confession **Rev. Dr. Gayle Walker**

Merciful God,
In your gracious presence we confess our sin and the sin of this world.
Although Christ is among us as our peace,
we are a people divided against ourselves as we cling to the values of a broken world.
The profit and pleasures we pursue lay waste the land and pollute the seas.
The fears and jealousies that we harbor

set neighbor against neighbor and nation against nation.

We abuse your good gifts of imagination and freedom, of intellect and reason.
We turned them into idols, bonds of oppression.

Lord, have mercy upon us.
Heal and forgive us.
Set us free to serve you in the world
As agents of your reconciling love in Jesus Christ.
Amen.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Forgiveness

Do not fear, says the Lord,
For I have redeemed you.
I have called you by name. You are mine.

Beloved children of God, believe the good news:
Through the grace of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.
Through the power of the Holy Spirit poured into us day by day,
we are made whole and alive to all that is good.

Musical Response My Song is Love Unknown arr. MICHAEL BURKHARDT
Kenneth Shafer, organ

Proclaiming the Word

Prayer of Illumination **Rev. Dr. Dorothee Tripodi**

Readings from Scripture

Psalm 100

Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth.
[2]Worship the Lord with gladness;
come into God's presence with singing.
[3]Know that the Lord is God.
It is God that made us, and we are God's;
we are God's people, and the sheep of God's pasture.
[4]Enter God's gates with thanksgiving,
and God's courts with praise.
Give thanks to God, bless God's name.
[5]For the Lord is good;
God's steadfast love endures forever,
and God's faithfulness to all generations.

Galatians 3:26-28 **Erin Guzmán**

[26]for in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith. [27]As many of you as were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. [28]There is no longer Jew or Greek, there is no longer slave or free, there is no longer male and female; for all of you are one in Christ Jesus.

Luke 4: 14-21

[14]Then Jesus, filled with the power of the Spirit, returned to Galilee, and a report about him spread through all the surrounding country. [15]He began to teach in their synagogues and was praised by everyone.

[16]When he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, he went to the synagogue on the sabbath day, as was his custom. He stood up to read, [17]and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written:

[18]"The Spirit of the Lord is upon me,
because she has anointed me
to bring good news to the poor.
She has sent me to proclaim release to the captives
and recovery of sight to the blind,
to let the oppressed go free,
[19]to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor."

[20]And he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down. The eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. [21]Then he began to say to them, "Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing."

Sermon Present Active Tense **Rev. Dr. Robert Johnson**

Special Music The Lord's Prayer ALFRED HAY MALOTTE
Barbara Flynt, soprano; Demas Boudreaux, piano

Responding to the Word - Ordination and Installation

Litany of Gifts **Ruling Elder Dr. Yvonne Williams**

As in one body we have many parts and each part has its own function,
so all of us together with Christ are one body, and we all belong to each other.
We have different gifts according to the grace God has given us.
If your gift is to hear God's Word,
Speak it out in faith.
If your gift is service,
Live to serve others.
If your gift is the heart of a teacher,
Teach what is true.
Let preachers preach with conviction, and givers give freely.
Let officers work diligently for the people,
and let those who serve the poor serve gladly.
Let us not lack for enthusiasm, but be ardent in spirit,
Serving the Lord, rejoicing in hope,
patient in suffering, constant in prayer, supporting one another, and welcoming all.

Statement on Ordination **Rev. Deb Bowsher**
Vice Moderator of Muskingum Valley Presbytery

Profession of Faith **Rev. Gail Monsma**

We believe in God,
who has created and is creating,
who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh,
to reconcile and make new,
who works in us and others by the Spirit.
We trust in God.

We are called to be the church,
to celebrate God's presence,
to love and serve others, to seek justice and resist evil,
to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen,
our judge and our hope.
In life, in death, in life beyond death, God is with us.
We are not alone. Thanks be to God.

from the United Presbyterian Church of Canada

Constitutional Questions to Candidate **Rev. Deb Bowsher**

Do you trust in Jesus Christ as your Savior, acknowledge him Lord of all and Head of the Church, and through him believe in one God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit? **I do.**

Do you accept the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments to be, by the Holy Spirit, the unique and authoritative witness to Jesus Christ in the Church universal, and God's Word to you? **I do.**

Do you sincerely receive and adopt the essential tenets of the Reformed faith as expressed in the confessions of our church as authentic and reliable expositions of what Scripture leads us to believe and do, and will you be instructed and led by those confessions as you lead the people of God? **I do and I will.**

Will you fulfill your office in obedience to Jesus Christ, under the authority of Scripture, and be continually guided by our confessions? **I will.**

Will you be governed by our church's polity, and will you abide by its discipline? Will you be a friend among your colleagues in ministry, working with them, subject to the ordering of God's Word and Spirit? **I will.**

Will you in your own life seek to follow the Lord Jesus Christ, love your neighbors, and work for the reconciliation of the world? **I will.**

Do you promise to further the peace, unity, and integrity of the church? **I do.**

Will you seek to serve the people with energy, intelligence, imagination, and love? **I will.**

Will you be a faithful minister of Word and Sacrament, proclaiming the good news, teaching faith and caring for people? Will you be active in government and discipline, serving in the councils of the church; and in your ministry will you try to show the love and justice of Jesus Christ? **I will.**

Constitutional Questions to Congregation **Ruling Elder Dr. Jim Bonk**

Do we, the members of Westminster Church, accept Enikő Ferenczy 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 pray for her, encourage her, to respect her decisions, and to follow as she guides us, serving Jesus Christ, who alone is the Head of the Church? **We do.**

Prayer of Ordination and Installation – Laying on of Hands **Rev. David Rice**

Declaration of Ordination **Rev. Deb Bowsher**

Charge to the Newly Ordained and Installed Pastor **Rev. Dr. Caitlin Deyerle**

Charge to the Congregation **Dr. Jim Bonk**

Blessings from the World Church

Rev. Júlia Szánthó
Co-pastor of the Liget Reformed Church, Zilah, Romania

Rev. Najla Kassab
National Evangelical Synod of Syria and Lebanon,
President of the World Communion of Reformed Churches

Rev. Aaron Stevens
Pastor of St. Columba Church of Scotland, Budapest, Hungary

Hymn No. 515 I Come with Joy DOVE OF PEACE
Tricia Petraven, soprano; David Rice, bass; Kenneth Shafer, piano

Eucharist

Invitation to the Lord's Table **Rev. Dr. Enikő Ferenczy**

We are hungry.
We come searching for something to fill us.
We have tasted a crumb of God's goodness,
and we want more.
Jesus meets us here.
He says: "Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures."
"I am the bread of life," he says.
"Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty." This is God's table.
Jesus invites us to trust him
and to share the feast he has prepared.

So come to taste and see that God is good.

The Great Thanksgiving **Rev. Tricia Petraven**

God, we thank you.
You created everything our five senses experience. You provide all that we need.
In our desert places, you bring us bread for every day.
In our thirsty times, you break open wells of new life. But you don't just work in metaphors.
You give us real food, real water, real air.
You keep us alive.
Thank you.

When we turn from you, you do not abandon us.
You call us back to you and challenge us to be faithful for others.
You turn us toward those in need
and remind us that we are all empty somehow.

You teach us how to live.
When we fall short, you forgive us.
Thank you.

You sent your Son Jesus
to live among us,
to comfort us,
to make us uncomfortable,
and to demonstrate a life of radical love.
Jesus, you embodied for us that love which embraces all,
that is humble enough to learn from a foreign woman asking for crumbs,
and you were willing to grow into a fuller understanding of God's life-giving mission.

You willingly gave up privilege and stood with the broken and the ostracized.
You even gave your life to break the power of death-dealing forces within our world,
trusting in the divine power that offers new life against all odds.
We thank you.

We look forward to the day when we will feast with you.
When the transformation is complete,
and our world is whole.
Until then, pour out your Holy Spirit on us.
Make us one with Christ.
Send us out to be your hands and feet, locally and globally, in ways big and small, with courage and hope.
We pray all this through Jesus Christ,
and in the power of the Holy Spirit,
with the words Jesus taught us, saying:

Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your Name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial,
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.

Words of Institution

Here at the Lord's Table this bread and this cup
remind us of the many meals Jesus shared with people of all backgrounds.
On the last night when Jesus shared a meal with his closest friends,
he took bread, broke it and gave thanks, saying:

"This is my body given for you."

In the same manner, after supper, he took the cup and gave thanks, saying:

"This is the cup of the New Covenant, sealed in my blood,
symbol of God's everlasting love for humankind.

Whenever you eat of this bread and drink of this cup, remember me."

Prayer after Communion

Creator God,
you have made us new.
You have met our deepest needs.
You have filled us with your love.
You have brought us to this place for a purpose.
May your Spirit give us courage
to love, to serve, and to hope,
in the name of Jesus. Amen.

Sending

Closing Hymn, No. 305 Come Sing, O Church, in Joy DARWALL'S 148TH
Virtual Choir, Westminster Church Members and Friends

Blessing and Charge **Rev. Dr. Enikő Ferenczy**

Postlude Thine is the Glory arr. DIANE BISH
Kenneth Shafer, organ

Participants

Ordination Commission Members

Rev. Deb Bowsher	Vice Moderator of Muskingum Valley Presbytery
Dr. Jim Bonk	Ruling Elder, Westminster Presbyterian Church, Wooster
Erin Guzmán	Interim Director of Religious and Spiritual Life, The College of Wooster
Rev. Tricia Petraven	Transitional Minister, Central Presbyterian Church, Massillon
Rev. David Rice	Pastor, First Presbyterian Church, Wooster
Rev. Matt Skolnik	General Presbyter of Muskingum Valley Presbytery
Dr. Yvonne Williams	Ruling Elder, First Presbyterian Church, Wooster

Saints Who Have Shaped Previous Chapters of My Journey

Rev. Dr. Caitlin Deyerle	Pastor, Southminster Presbyterian Church, Richmond, VA
Rev. Dr. Robert Johnson	Pastor, New Hanover Presbyterian Church, Richmond, VA
Rev. Najla Kassab	President of the World Communion of Reformed Churches, Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Syria and Lebanon
Rev. Gail Monsma	Transitional Minister of Rock Prairie Presbyterian Church, Janesville, WI
Rev. Aaron Stevens	Pastor, St. Columba's Church of Scotland, Budapest, Hungary
Rev. Júlia Szánthó	Co-pastor, Liget Reformed Church, Zilah, Romania, Rev. Ferenczy's cousin
Rev. Dr. Dorothee Tripodi	Director of Supervised Ministry and Vocational Planning and Adjunct Assistant Professor, Union Presbyterian Seminary, Richmond, VA
Rev. Dr. Gayle Elizabeth Walker	Honorably retired PC(USA) Minister, Memphis TN

Musicians

Kenneth Shafer	Accompanist, Westminster Presbyterian Church, Wooster
Pong Thiemmedh	Interim Director of Music and Arts, Westminster Presbyterian Church, Wooster
Barbara Flynt	Director of Adult Education and Discipleship, The Brandermill Church, Richmond, VA
Demas Boudreaux	Director of Music, St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, Richmond, VA
Choir Participants	Members and friends of Westminster Presbyterian Church, Wooster

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The Communion prayers were adapted from the UKirk Worship Resource.