**Order of Service**

**Prelude I Lift Up My Eyes to the Hills**  *Dale Wood*

**Opening Hymn Lord, whose love** *(Beach Spring)*  **CP585**

1 Lord, whose love in humble service  
Bore the weight of human need,  
Who upon the cross, forsaken,  
Worked Your mercy’s perfect deed:  
We, Your servants, bring the worship  
Not of voice alone, but heart;  
Consecrating to Your purpose  
Every gift which You impart.

2 Still Your children wander homeless;  
Still the hungry cry for bread;  
Still the captives long for freedom;  
Still in grief we mourn our dead.  
As you, Lord, in deep compassion  
Healed the sick and freed the soul,  
By Your Spirit send Your power  
To our world to make it whole.

3 As we worship, grant us vision,  
Till your love’s revealing light  
In its height and depth and greatness  
Dawns upon our quickened sight,  
Making known the needs and burdens  
Your compassion bids us bear,  
Stirring us to ardent service,  
Your abundant life to share.

**Greeting**

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you

*All* **and also with you.**

***Words of welcome***

We welcome you to this service. We begin by acknowledging the traditional territory upon which we gather. For many thousands of years, the Anishinaabe, Haudenosaunee and Huron Wendat Peoples have sought to walk gently on this land. We seek a new relationship with the Original Peoples of this land, one based in honour and deep respect.

**Prayers of Penitence**

Our Lord Jesus Christ says: ‘If you love me, keep my commandments.’‘ Unless I wash you, you have no part in me.’ Let us confess to almighty God our sins against his love, and ask him to cleanse us.

*Silence is kept.*

Have mercy on us, O God, in your great goodness; according to the abundance of your compassion blot out our offences. Lord, have mercy.

*All* **Lord, have mercy.**

Against you only have we sinned and done what is evil in your sight.

Christ, have mercy.

*All* **Christ, have mercy.**

Purge us from our sin and we shall be clean; wash us and we shall be whiter than snow. Lord, have mercy.

*All* **Lord, have mercy.**

***Absolution***

May the Father forgive *us* by the death of his Son and strengthen *us* to live in the power of the Spirit all *our* days.**Amen.**

**Collect**

Heavenly Father, who anointed your Son Jesus Christ with the Holy Spirit and with power to bring to the world the blessings of your kingdom: anoint your Church with the same Holy Spirit, that we who share in his suffering and his victory may bear witness to the gospel of salvation; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

**First Reading - A Reading from Exodus**

The Lord said to Moses and Aaron in Egypt,“This month is to be for you the first month, the first month of your year. Tell the whole community of Israel that on the tenth day of this month each man is to take a lamb for his family, one for each household. If any household is too small for a whole lamb, they must share one with their nearest neighbor, having taken into account the number of people there are. You are to determine the amount of lamb needed in accordance with what each person will eat. The animals you choose must be year-old males without defect, and you may take them from the sheep or the goats. Take care of them until the fourteenth day of the month, when all the members of the community of Israel must slaughter them at twilight.Then they are to take some of the blood and put it on the sides and tops of the doorframes of the houses where they eat the lambs. That same night they are to eat the meat roasted over the fire, along with bitter herbs, and bread made without yeast. Do not eat the meat raw or boiled in water, but roast it over a fire—with the head, legs and internal organs.Do not leave any of it till morning; if some is left till morning, you must burn it. This is how you are to eat it: with your cloak tucked into your belt, your sandals on your feet and your staff in your hand. Eat it in haste; it is the Lord’s Passover.“On that same night I will pass through Egypt and strike down every firstborn of both people and animals, and I will bring judgment on all the gods of Egypt. I am the Lord. The blood will be a sign for you on the houses where you are, and when I see the blood, I will pass over you. No destructive plague will touch you when I strike Egypt.“This is a day you are to commemorate; for the generations to come you shall celebrate it as a festival to the Lord—a lasting ordinance. *Exodus 12:1-14*

**Psalm**

**10** I believed, even when I said, \* ”I have been brought very low.”

**11** In my distress I said, \* ”No one can be trusted**.**”

**12** How shall I repay you, O Lord, \*

for all the good things you have done for me?

**13** I will lift up the cup of salvation \*

and call upon your name.

**14** I will fulfil my vows to the Lord \*

in the presence of all the people.

**15** Precious in your sight, O Lord \*

is the death of your servants.

**16** O Lord, I am your servant; \*

I am your servant and the child of your handmaid; you have freed me from my bonds.

**17** I will offer you the sacrifice of thanksgiving \*

and call upon the name of the Lord. *Psalm 116:10-17*

Glory to the holy and undivided Trinity, one God:

**as it was in the beginning, is now and will be forever. Amen**

**Second Reading - A Reading from First Corinthians**

For I received from the Lord what I also passed on to you: The Lord Jesus, on the night he was betrayed, took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, “This is my body, which is for you; do this in remembrance of me.” In the same way, after supper he took the cup, saying, “This cup is the new covenant in my blood; do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me.” For whenever you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord’s death until he comes. *1 Corinthians 11:23-26*

**The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ According to St. John**

It was just before the Passover Festival. Jesus knew that the hour had come for him to leave this world and go to the Father. Having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end. The evening meal was in progress, and the devil had already prompted Judas, the son of Simon Iscariot, to betray Jesus. Jesus knew that the Father had put all things under his power, and that he had come from God and was returning to God; so he got up from the meal, took off his outer clothing, and wrapped a towel around his waist. After that, he poured water into a basin and began to wash his disciples’ feet, drying them with the towel that was wrapped around him. He came to Simon Peter, who said to him, “Lord, are you going to wash my feet?” Jesus replied, “You do not realize now what I am doing, but later you will understand.” “No,” said Peter, “you shall never wash my feet.” Jesus answered, “Unless I wash you, you have no part with me.” “Then, Lord,” Simon Peter replied, “not just my feet but my hands and my head as well!” Jesus answered, “Those who have had a bath need only to wash their feet; their whole body is clean. And you are clean, though not every one of you.” For he knew who was going to betray him, and that was why he said not every one was clean. When he had finished washing their feet, he put on his clothes and returned to his place. “Do you understand what I have done for you?” he asked them. “You call me ‘Teacher’ and ‘Lord,’ and rightly so, for that is what I am. Now that I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also should wash one another’s feet. I have set you an example that you should do as I have done for you.  *St. John 13:1-15*

**Homily**

**A Form for the Renewal of Diaconal Commitment**

*Bishop* At your ordination as a deacon, you received the yoke of Christ,

who took the form of a servant, coming to serve and not to be served, so that in your ministry Christ’s example to his Church as the servant of all might be proclaimed.

Will you continue faithfully in the ministry of building up God’s people

in his truth and of serving them in his name?

*Deacons* **By the help of God, I will.**

*Bishop* Will you continue to proclaim in deed and word the gospel of Jesus Christ our Lord and Saviour?

*Deacons* **By the help of God, I will.**

*Bishop* The Lord be in your heart and on your lips that you may truly and faithfully proclaim his holy gospel; in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.**Amen.**

**The Renewal of Priestly Commitment**

*Bishop* My brothers and sisters, at his Last Supper, our Lord Jesus Christ gave his disciples a new commandment, that they should love one another, and he prayed that they might be one. He gave them an everlasting sign of his own love, in the sacrament of bread and wine. He consecrated himself to his Father’s service, to be the high priest of the New Covenant. I invite you now to dedicate yourselves afresh to his service, as stewards of the mysteries of God and ministers of his grace.

At your ordination you accepted the yoke of Christ for love of the Lord and his Church. Are you resolved to unite yourself more closely to Christ and to become more like him, joyfully sacrificing your own pleasures and ambitions to bring his peace and love to your brothers and sisters?

*Priests* **By the help of God, I will.**

*Bishop:* With the example of the Lord who washed his disciples’ feet, will you be faithful in serving the needs of others and diligent in caring for those in need and trouble, in strengthening the faithful and in searching out the indifferent and the lost?

*Priests* **By the help of God, I will.**

*Bishop* Will you fashion your life according to the pattern of Christ, that you may be a true pastor, by word and example, to the people among

whom you serve?

*Priests* **By the help of God, I will.**

*Bishop* Will you work in partnership with all whom the Lord has given you, and encourage all the baptized to grow as the royal priesthood of the new covenant?

*Priests* **By the help of God, I will.**

*Bishop* Will you be a faithful minister of the mysteries of God by leading

the worship of his people with devotion and care and by teaching the Christian faith with conviction and joy?

*Priests* **By the help of God, I will.**

*Bishop* Will you continue in the way of Christ, the head and shepherd of

the Church of God, whose grace is sufficient to meet your need?

*Priests* **By the help of God, I will.**

**Renewal of Episcopal Commitment**

*Lay person* Bishop Michael, will you be faithful to the promise you made at your consecration to uphold the truth of the gospel?

*Bishop:* **By the help of God, I will.**

*Lay person:* Will you promote unity, peace and love among all Christian people, especially in this diocese, and be diligent in prayer and the reading of the holy Scriptures?

*Bishop:* **By the help of God, I will.**

*Lay person:* Will you strive to become more like our High Priest and Good Shepherd, the Teacher and Servant of all, and so to be an authentic sign of Christ’s loving presence among us?

*Bishop:* **By the help of God, I will.**

**Renewal of Baptismal Commitment**

*The bishop addresses all those who are not ordained*

Dear Friends, as witnessed to the renewal of vows by those called by God to ordained ministry in the Church, do you also renew the vows made at your baptism? Will you continue in the Apostles teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread and in the prayers? Will you resist evil, repent of your sins and return to the Lord? Will you be examples of the good news of God in Christ seeking to serve him in all persons and to always strive for justice and dignity? Will you safeguard the integrity of creation and respect, sustain and renew the Earth?

People: **By the help of God, I will**

*The bishop addresses the congregation*

My brothers and sisters, pray for your bishops, priests and deacons and all other ministers in Christ. Ask the Lord to bless us with the fullness of his love, that we may be faithful servants of Christ, our great High Priest, serving the Church with gifts that encourage and equip the people of God, and make Christ known in our generation.

*All* **Lord Jesus Christ, hear us and answer our prayer.**

*Bishop* Almighty God, who has given us the will to undertake all these things, give us also the strength to perform them, that he may complete that work which he has begun in us; through Jesus Christ our Lord.**Amen.**

***Musical Reflection* Poem** *Nicholas Fairbank*

**Prayer over the Oils**

*Bishop* Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,

*All* **who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing.**

***The oil for the anointing of the sick and dying.***

*Bishop:* Blessed are you, sovereign God, gentle and merciful, creator of heaven and earth. Your Word brought light out of darkness, and daily your Spirit renews the face of the earth. Your anointed Son brought healing to those in weakness and distress. He broke the power of evil and set us free from sin and death that we might praise your name for ever. By the power of your Spirit may your blessing rest on those who are anointed with this oil in your name; may they be made whole in body, mind and spirit, restored in your image, renewed in your love, and serve you as sons and daughters in your kingdom.

*All* **Blessed be God for ever.**

***The oil of chrism.***

*Bishop:* Blessed are you, sovereign God and eternal Father, upholding by your grace all who hear your call. Under your Old Covenant priests and kings were anointed to serve you and in the fullness of time you anointed your Son by the Holy Spirit to be the Christ, the Saviour and Servant of all. By the power of your Spirit may your blessing rest on those who are anointed with this chrism in your name; let it be for them a sign of joy and gladness as they share in the royal priesthood of the New Covenant and make known the kingdom of Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with you and the Holy Spirit we lift our voices of thanks and praise.

*All* **Blessed be God, our strength and our salvation, now and for ever. Amen.**

**Intercessions**

In the power of the Spirit let us pray to the Father through Christ the saviour of the world.

Father, on this, the night he was betrayed, your Son Jesus Christ washed his disciples’ feet. We commit ourselves to follow his example of love and service. Lord, hear us

*All* **and humble us.**

On this night, he prayed for his disciples to be one. We pray for the unity of your Church.

Lord, hear us

*All* **and unite us.**

On this night, he prayed for those who were to believe through his disciples’ message. We pray for the mission of your Church. Lord, hear us

*All* **and renew our zeal.**

On this night, he commanded his disciples to love, but suffered rejection himself. We pray for the rejected and unloved. Lord, hear us

*All* **and fill us with your love.**

On this night, he reminded his disciples that if the world hated them it hated him first. We pray for those who are persecuted for their faith. Lord, hear us

*All* **and give us your peace.**

On this night, he accepted the cup of death and looked forward to the new wine of the kingdom. We remember those who have died in the peace of Christ. Lord, hear us

*All* **and welcome all your children into paradise.**

**The Lord's Prayer**

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

**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, the power, and the glory,**

**for ever and ever. Amen.**

**Blessing**

*Bishop* Our help is in the name of the Lord

*All* **who has made heaven and earth.**

*Bishop* Blessed be the name of the Lord

*All* **now and for ever. Amen.**

*Bishop* The Father, whose glory fills the heavens, cleanse you by his

holiness and send you to proclaim his word.**Amen.**

*Bishop* The Son, who has ascended to the heights,

pour upon you the riches of his grace.**Amen.**

*Bishop* The Holy Spirit, the Comforter, equip you and strengthen you in your ministry.**Amen.**

*Bishop* And the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you always.**Amen**

**Dismissal**

When the disciples had sung a hymn they went out to the Mount of Olives. Jesus prayed to the Father, ‘If it is possible, take this cup of suffering from me.’ He said to his disciples, ‘How is it that you were not able to keep watch with me for one hour? The hour has come for the Son of Man to be handed over to the power of sinners.’

Christ was obedient unto death. Go in his peace.

Postlude **Da Jesus an dem creuze** *[As Jesus hung on the cross] (BWV621) J.S. Bach*

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