

Installation of
Reverend Amy E. Northridge
Mt. Zion United Church of Christ
Sunday, November 17th @ 2:00

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November 17, 2024

2:00 PM

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We welcome infants and children and all their wiggles & voices in our worship! For your comfort, we also have a children's corner in the back narthex where your child can relax and play and you can still participate in the worship experience. We have children's books and activity bags for them to enjoy! Please see a member of the welcoming team for assistance!

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

It is Well with My Soul

by Bliss

CALL TO WORSHIP¹

L: Let us worship God. Clap you hands, all you peoples;

C: shout to God with loud songs of joy.

L: For the Most High is awesome,

C: a great sovereign over all the earth.

L: It is good to give thanks to the Lord,

C: to sing praises to your name, O Most High.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

L: Almighty and eternal God,

C: by your grace you have called us in this time and place to be your servant people as we follow our servant Leader. Make your Holy Spirit move within and among us, that together we may live a new life in the crucified and risen Christ. Bind us together in faith, so that as we receive all spiritual gifts needed to fulfill our calling, we may support one another in common ministry; through Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord. Amen

***OPENING HYMN NO. 417 NCH** (black hymnal, see next page)

This is a Day of New Beginnings

This is a Day of New Beginnings

Les Garrett, 1967

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Piano $\text{♩} = 80$

1. This is a day of new be - gin-nings,
2. For by the life and death of Je - sus,
3. Then let us, with the Spir - it's dar - ing,
4. Christ is a - live, and goes be - fore us

5

time to re - mem - ber and move on,
 God's might - y Spir - it, now as then,
 step from the past and leave be - hind
 to show and share what love can do.

9

time to be - lieve what love is bring-ing,
 can make for us a world of dif-ference,
 our dis - a - point - ment, guilt, and griev-ing,
 This is a day of new be - gin-nings

13

lay - ing to rest the pain that's gone.
 as faith and hope are born a - gain.
 seek - ing new paths, and sure to find.
 our God is mak - ing all things

12.

17

new.

***TIME OF CONFESSION²**

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

L: Almighty God,

C: by water and your Holy Spirit you baptized us to be your own and called the church into being. We confess that we hold back the love of your Spirit among us. We do not listen for your word of grace, speak the good news of your love, or live as a people made one in Christ. Have mercy on us, O God. Transform our lives by the power of your Holy Spirit and make strong our common witness to the one Lord, our Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

ACT OF PRAISE NO. 2153 FWS (see following two pages)

I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me



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I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me

SATB

arr. Wendell Whalum

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Piano

1. I'm gon-na live so (live so) God can use me

2. I'm gon-na work so (work so) God can use me

3. I'm gon-na pray so (pray so) God can use me

4. I'm gon-na sing so (sing so) God can use me

5

an - y - where, Lord, an - y - time! I'm gon-na

an - y - where, Lord, an - y - time! I'm gon-na

an - y - where, Lord, an - y - time! I'm gon-na

an - y - where, Lord, an - y - time! I'm gon-na

(any - time!)

10

live so (live so) God can use me an-y where, Lord,
 work so (work so) God can use me an-y where, Lord,
 pray so (pray so) God can use me an-y where, Lord,
 sing so (sing so) God can use me an-y where, Lord,

(my Lord,)

15

an-y - time! an-y - time!
 an-y - time! an-y - time!
 an-y - time! an-y - time!
 an-y - time! an-y - time!


(an-y - time!)

The Summons

John Bell

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Piano ♩ = 80



1. Will you come and fol - low me if I but call your name?__
 2. Will you leave your - self be - hind if I but call your name?__
 3. Will you let the blind-ed see if I but call your name?__
 4. Will you love the "you" you hide if I but call your name?__
 5. Lord, your sum-mons ech - oes true when you but call my name.__

9



___ Will you go where you don't know and nev-er be the same?___ Will you
 ___ Will you care for cruel and kind and nev-er be the same?___ Will you
 ___ Will you set the pris-oners free and nev-er be the same?___ Will you
 ___ Will you quell the fear in - side and nev-er be the same?___ Will you
 ___ Let me turn and fol - low you and nev-er be the same. ___ In your

18



let my love be shown,___ will you let my name be known,___ will you
 risk the hos - tile stare,___ should your life at - tract or scare?___ Will you
 kiss the le - per clean,___ and do such as this un - seen,___ and ad -
 use the faith you've found,___ to re - shape the world a - round,___ through my
 com-pa - ny I'll go,___ where your love and foot-steps show,___ Thus I'll

26



let my life be grown in you and you in me?___
 let me an - swer prayer in you and you in me?___
 - mit to what I mean in you and you in me?___
 sight and touch and sound in you and you in me?___
 move and live and grow in you and you in me. ___

A LITANY OF GIFTS

L: 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.

C: We have different gifts according to the grace God has given us.

L: If your gift is to hear God's Word,

C: speak it out in faith.

L: If your gift is service,

C: live to serve others.

L: If your gift is the heart of a teacher,

C: teach what is true.

L: Let preachers preach with conviction, and givers give freely;

C: let officers work diligently for the people, and let those who serve the poor, serve gladly.

L: Let us not lack for enthusiasm, but be ardent in spirit,

C: serving the Lord, rejoicing in hope, patient in suffering, constant in prayer, supporting one another, and welcoming all.

L: As we install our new pastor this day, may we remember we are all one in the body of Christ.

INSTALLATION SERVICE³

GREETING

Church Council Moderator, Tori Everhart: Mt. Zion United Church of Christ, under the guidance of the Holy Spirit, has called the Reverend Amy Elizabeth Northridge as its senior pastor and teacher and respectfully requests that the York Association install her in this ministry among us, according to the faith and order of the United Church of Christ.

Association Representative, Rev. Eva O'Diam: The York Association of the Penn Central Conference of the United Church of Christ greets you in the name of Jesus Christ, the head of the church in heaven and on earth. The York Association has reviewed the request of Mt. Zion United Church of Christ. We have prayerfully examined Reverend Northridge, and we are pleased to install her as your senior pastor and teacher. Amy, servant of God, we invite you to come forward as a sign of your acceptance of the call to this office. Installation is the action of an Association of the United Church of Christ in cooperation with the local church. Installation confirms and celebrates the covenantal relationship among a local church, its pastor and teacher, and the United Church of Christ. Installation is a sign that these covenantal partners are committed to share mutually in the mission of the United Church of Christ and of the ecumenical church.

EXHORTATION

Association Representative, Rev. Eva O'Diam: Hear these words from the apostle Paul: We beg you, our brothers and sisters, to pay proper respect to those who work among you, who guide and instruct you in the Christian life. Treat them with the greatest respect and love because of the work they do. Be at peace among yourselves. We urge you, our sister, warn the idle, encourage the timid, help the weak, be patient with all. Seek that no one pays back wrong for wrong, but at all times make it your aim to do good to one another and to all people. Be joyful always, pray at all times, be thankful in all circumstances. This is what God wants of you, in your life in Christ Jesus. Amen.

COVENANT

Association Representative, Rev. Eva O'Diam: Dear friends, Mt. Zion United Church of Christ has declared, that having gathered under the guidance of the Holy Spirit, it has called Reverend Amy Elizabeth Northridge to minister in this place as settled pastor and teacher and that now receives her as appointed by God for this ministry. The York Association of the United Church of Christ has declared that she has met all the necessary conditions for installation to this office. Amy, seeing that you are called to ordained ministry by the grace of God and that Mt. Zion United Church of Christ has been led to call you as settled pastor and teacher, are you willing to enter this covenant with its members who are one in Christ with us in the York Association?

Pastor Amy: I am willing, and I promise to serve this church faithfully, preaching and teaching the word of God, administering the sacraments, and fulfilling the pastoral office according to the faith and order of the United Church of Christ.

Association Representative, Rev. Eva O'Diam: Members of Mt. Zion United Church of Christ, will those who are able rise and affirm your covenant with your pastor and teacher?

***Local Church Members:* We, the members of Mt. Zion United Church of Christ receive Reverend Amy Elizabeth Northridge as our settled pastor and teacher, promising to labor with her in the ministry of the gospel and to give her due honor and support. We gather with her and with the United Church of Christ as a sign of our mutual ministry in Christ's name.**

Association Representative, Rev. Eva O'Diam: Members of the York

Association, will those who are able rise and affirm your covenant with Mt. Zion United Church Christ and its pastor and teacher?

Association Members: We, the members of the York Association of the United Church of Christ, gather with you, the people and the pastor and teacher of Mt. Zion United Church of Christ, as a sign of our covenant and in celebration of our mutual ministry in Christ's name.

PRAYER OF INSTALLATION

Association Representative, Rev. Eva O'Diam: Let us pray. Almighty God, you have called your servants to make promises before you' now enable us to keep our vows that we may remain steadfast in faith and fruitful in every good work. Bless, we pray, your servant Amy Elizabeth Northridge, to whom the care of your people in this church is now committed. Pour out your Holy Spirit on her, on the people of Mt. Zion United Church of Christ, and on all the churches of the York Association, that our mutual ministry may be served with all faithfulness, diligence, and courage. Grant us the spirit of power and of love and of a sound mind. Make our ministry a means of awakening the careless, strengthening the faithful, comforting the afflicted, building up your church, and converting sinners to you. Guard us against the snares of temptation that we may be kept pure in heart, fervent in spirit, and valiant against evil. And at the last, by your grace, receive us into your eternal home, where, with you and the Holy Spirit, Christ reigns in glory, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

DECLARATION

Association Representative, Rev. Eva O'Diam: In the name of Jesus Christ, and on behalf of the York Association of the Penn Central Conference of the United Church of Christ, I declare you duly installed as senior pastor and teacher of Mt. Zion United Church of Christ.

ALL: Thanks be to God!

HYMN NO. 2243 FWS (see next two pages)

We All Are One in Mission

We All Are One in Mission SATB

Rusty Edwards

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Piano

1. We all are one in mis - sion; we
2. We all are called for ser - vice, to
3. Now let us be u - nit - ed, and

4

all are one in call, our var - ied gifts u -
wit - ness in God's name. Our min - is - tries are
let our song be heard. Now let us be a

7

nit - ed by Christ, the Lord of all. A
dif - ferent; our pur - pose is the same: To
ves - sel for God's re - deem - ing Word. We

10

sin - gle great com - mis - sion com - pels us from a - bove to
 touch the lives of oth - ers by God's sur - pris - ing grace, so
 all are one in mis - sion; we all are one in call, our

14

plan and work to - geth - er that all may know Christ's
 ev - ery folk and na - tion may feel God's warm em -
 var - ied gifts u - nit - ed by Christ, the Lord of

17

love.
 - brace.
 all.

GREETING FROM THE LARGER CHURCH

PRESENTATION OF CERTIFICATE

PRESENTATION OF GIFTS

TIME OF OFFERING

CALL TO OFFERING

OFFERTORY

Today's offering will support the Members in Discernment scholarship fund of the York Association.

*OFFERTORY PRAYER

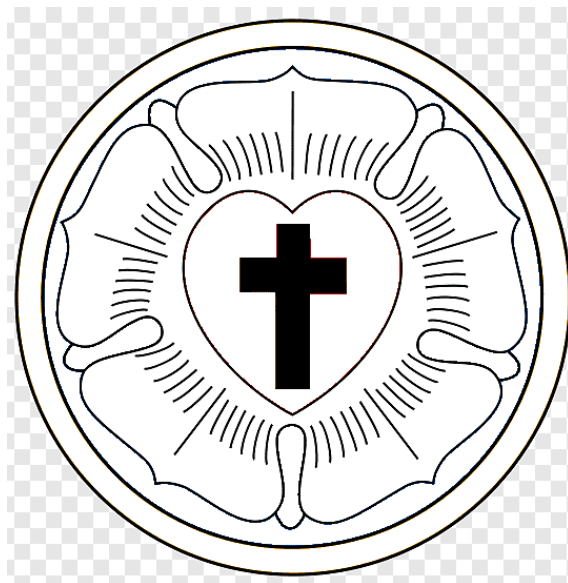
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CLOSING PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER⁴

ALL: 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 sins, as we forgive those who sin 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. Amen.

SENDING HYMN NO. 460 NCH (black hymnal, see next 2 pages)

God Will Take Care of You



God Will Take Care of You SATB

Civilla D. Martin, 1904

W. Stillman Martin, 1905

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Piano

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1. Be not dis-mayed what - e'er be - tide,
 2. Through days of toil when heart grows frail,
 3. All you may need God will pro - vide,
 4. No mat-ter what may be the test,

3

God will take care of you;
 God will take care of you;
 God will take care of you;
 God will take care of you;

Be-neath God's wings of
 When dan - gers fierce your
 Noth-ing you ask will
 Lean, wea - ry one, up -

6

love a - bide,
path as - sail,
be de - nied,
- on God's breast,
God will take care of
God will take care of
God will take care of
you.
you.
you.
you.
God will take
care of you,

11

through ev-ery day,
o'er all the way;
God will take
care of you,

15

God will take care
of you.
take care of you

*BENEDICTION

L: Let us go forth into the new seasons of our lives.

C: We go forth into growing and changing and living.

L: Let us go with caring awareness for the world and all that is in it.

C: We go to discover the needs and opportunities around us.

L: Let us go forth in peace and be led out in joy.

C: We go in God's continuing presence with the power to love and the strength to serve.

L: Go forth to love and serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God! We will!

POSTLUDE

A Mighty Fortress is Our God

Luther

Thank you for sharing in today's celebration! We hope you will join us in the fellowship hall (lower level) for a reception following the service.

References

¹The Call to Worship, Prayer of the Day, Time of Confession, and Litany of Gifts comes from the Order of Installation Service for Ministers, accessed at <https://centralnepresby.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/02/ORDER-OF-INSTALLATION-SERVICE-FOR-MINISTER-2.pdf> for use on 11/11/24.

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Thank you to all serving in worship for the installation and all who helped to make this day special for Pastor Amy and her family!

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