



INSTALLATION SERVICE
FOR
PASTOR PHILLIP D. SIEVERT
SEPTEMBER 8, 2019

WELCOME! We are happy you are with us today. It would be a pleasure to get to know you better. We invite you to join any of our activities. See the schedule in the bulletin. To our guests: Please sign the friendship register as it is passed down the pews.

The **ushers** are here to help you during the service. If you need anything (**temperature adjustment, restrooms, large print worship materials, hearing amplifiers, etc.**) feel free to ask them. **Rest rooms and a drinking fountain** can be found across the breezeway in Grace Hall. Our **Information Table** contains free devotions, Bibles, pamphlets, and other things for you to take home.

Five or ten minutes before the service, the organist will be playing music to encourage worshipers to find seats and get ready for worship. We ask that during the time before the service, everyone refrain from loud talking so that those who wish to pray and meditate silently may do so. **Please turn off cell phones when you enter the church.**

The **Nursery** is available for parents whose children become restless. It is located behind the right pews. To **request prayers, hymns** for future services, etc. please fill out an index card and hand it to an usher or Pastor.

PRESERVICE MUSIC

Please Stand when you hear the chimes ringing

OPENING PROCESSIONAL HYMN: **Christian Worship
#579 Lift High the Cross**

/Refrain:/

Lift high the cross; the love of Christ proclaim
Till all the world adore his sacred name.

1 Come, Christians, follow where our captain trod,

Our king victorious, Christ, the Son of God.
/Refrain/

2 Led on their way by this triumphant sign,
The hosts of God in conqu'ring ranks combine.
/Refrain/

3 So shall our song of triumph ever be:
Praise to the Crucified for victory.
/Refrain/

WELCOME

Evening Prayer – Vespers - page 52

Cantor sings: O Lord, open my lips

***People sing:* And my mouth shall declare your praise.**
(Psalm 51:15)

Cantor sings: Hasten to save me, O God.

***People sing:* O Lord, come quickly to help me.** (Psalm
70:1)

Cantor sings: The Lord be with you.

***People sing:* And also with you.**

VERSICLE - Psalm 141 - page 55

***People sing:* Let my prayer rise before you as incense, the
lifting up of my hands as the evening sacrifice. O
Lord, I call to you; come to me quickly; hear my
voice when I cry to you. Let my prayer rise before**

you as incense, the lifting up of my hands as the evening sacrifice.

Pastor: Let our prayers be acceptable in your sight. Come and help us in time of need that we may sing your praise in joy now and forever, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

People: Amen.

PSALM 119:105 (LAPPY page 313)

sing

**Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.
Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.**

**When I feel afraid,
Think I've lost my way,
Still you're there right beside me.
And nothing will I fear
As long as you are near.
Please be near me to the end.**

**Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.
Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.**

**I will not forget
Your love for me and yet
My heart forever is wandering.
Jesus be my guide,**

**And hold me to your side,
I will love you to the end.**

**Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.
Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.**

**Nothing will I fear
As long as you are near
Please be near me to the end.**

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Silence for meditation.

Pastor: Almighty God, look with favor on those whom you have called to minister to your people. Fill them with doctrine, and clothe them with holiness of life, that they may joyfully serve to the glory of your name and for the benefit of your Church, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

People: Amen.

Please Be seated.

THE WORD

FIRST LESSON - 1 Peter 5:1–7 (NIV84)

¹ To the elders among you, I appeal as a fellow elder, a witness of Christ's sufferings and one who also will share in the glory

to be revealed: ² Be shepherds of God's flock that is under your care, serving as overseers—not because you must, but because you are willing, as God wants you to be; not greedy for money, but eager to serve; ³ not lording it over those entrusted to you, but being examples to the flock. ⁴ And when the Chief Shepherd appears, you will receive the crown of glory that will never fade away. ⁵ Young men, in the same way be submissive to those who are older. All of you, clothe yourselves with humility toward one another, because, "God opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble." ⁶ Humble yourselves, therefore, under God's mighty hand, that he may lift you up in due time. ⁷ Cast all your anxiety on him because he cares for you.

CHOIR: How Lovely are the Messengers

THE GOSPEL - Matthew 9:35–10:4 (NIV84)

³⁵ Jesus went through all the towns and villages, teaching in their synagogues, preaching the good news of the kingdom and healing every disease and sickness. ³⁶ When he saw the crowds, he had compassion on them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. ³⁷ Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few. ³⁸ Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field." ¹ He called his twelve disciples to him and gave them authority to drive out evil spirits and to heal every disease and sickness. ² These are the names of the twelve apostles: first, Simon (who is called Peter) and

his brother Andrew; James son of Zebedee, and his brother John; ³ Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax collector; James son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; ⁴ Simon the Zealot and Judas Iscariot, who betrayed him.

HYMN: Christian Worship #542 Dear Lord, to Your True Servants Give

1 Dear Lord, to your true servants give
The grace to you alone to live.
Set free from sin to serve you, Lord,
They go to share your living Word,
The gospel message to proclaim
That all may know your saving name.

2 They gladly go at your command
To spread your Word o'er sea and land.
Be with them, Lord, and make them strong
To heal sin's ills, to right the wrong.
Your rule is over wind and wave,
And mighty is your arm to save.

3 When all their labor seems in vain,
Revive their sinking hopes again;
And when success crowns what they do,
Oh, keep them humble, Lord, and true
Until before your judgment seat

They lay their trophies at your feet.

THE SERMON: 1 Timothy 3:1 (NIV84)

Here is a trustworthy saying: If anyone sets his heart on being an overseer, he desires a noble task.

"Being a pastor is good work"

**HYMN OF RESPONSE: Christian Worship #548 O Lord, in Prayer
You Spent the Night**

1 O Lord, in prayer you spent the night,
Then sent the twelve at morning's light.
Our hearts at your request are stirred
To ask for heralds of your Word:
Send preachers forth and each one bless
With courage, zeal, and holiness.

2 Keep pastors faithful, strong, and true,
Not working for themselves but you.
Endow them with the grace they need,
The lambs to serve, the sheep to feed,
The precious flock to lead and guide—
The Shepherd thus is glorified.

3 May all your people faithful be
And treat your pastors rev'rently

And with them work and for them pray,
Rememb'ring what the Scriptures say:
Receive the prophet of the Lord
And gain the prophet's own reward.

4 So may we, when our work is done,
Together meet before your throne
And joyful hearts and voices raise
In one united song of praise,
With all the bright, celestial host,
To Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
OUR THANK OFFERING TO THE LORD

Please Stand

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

LORD, HAVE MERCY - Kyrie - page 59

Pastor: In the closing hours of this day, hear us as we pray,
O Lord:

***People sing:* Lord, have mercy.**

Pastor: For the well-being of people everywhere, for the
growth of your church in all the world, and for the
strengthening of all who serve and worship here, we
pray, O Lord:

***People sing:* Christ, have mercy.**

Pastor: For one another, young and old, for your blessings that come with every stage of life, and for joy in doing your will, we pray, O Lord:

***People sing:* Lord, have mercy.**

Pastor: For our public servants who work day and night to bring protection, justice, learning, and health to this and every place, we pray to you, O Lord.

***People sing:* Lord, hear our prayer.**

Pastor: For favorable weather and bountiful harvests, or clothing and food, for health of body, mind and spirit, and for deliverance from all sin and every form of evil, we prayer to you, O Lord:

***People sing:* Lord, hear our prayer.**

Pastor: For the faithful who have gone before us, who have shared with us our good news, whose souls are not at rest in your heavenly kingdom, we give you thanks, O Lord:

***People sing:* Thanks be to God.**

Pastor: In thanksgiving for your many and varied gifts to us, we now commend ourselves to your care. Be our shield and strength, O Lord.

***People sing:* Amen.**

INSTALLATION OF PASTOR PHILLIP D SIEVERT

Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ said to his Church: “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me.

Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.”

Holy Scripture assures us that our risen and ascended Lord will always provide the Church with the gifts necessary to carry out this commission. The apostle Paul wrote to the Ephesians: “[Christ] ascended higher than all the heavens, in order to fill the whole universe. It was he who gave some to be apostles, some to be prophets, some to be evangelists, and some to be pastors and teachers, to prepare God’s people for works of service, so that the body of Christ might be built up.”

EXHORTATION TO THE PASTOR-ELECT

Dear brother in Christ, this congregation has called you to serve in the office of the holy ministry. It is good that you should hear again what God in his Holy Word impresses on his pastors concerning this sacred office.

St. Paul states that a pastor “must be above reproach, the husband of but one wife, temperate, self-controlled, respectable, hospitable, able to teach, not given to drunkenness, not violent but gentle, not quarrelsome, not a lover of money. He must manage his own family well and see that his children obey him with proper respect.

He must also have a good reputation with outsiders, so that he will not fall into disgrace and into the devil's trap."

He urged Timothy to "set an example for the believers in speech, in life, in love, in faith and in purity." He further advised him: "Devote yourself to the public reading of Scripture, to preaching and to teaching. Watch your life and your doctrine closely. Persevere in them, because if you do, you will save both yourself and your hearers."

In the final chapter of his second letter to Timothy, the apostle gives additional words of encouragement: "Preach the Word. Correct, rebuke and encourage—with great patience and careful instruction. Keep your head in all situations, endure hardship, do the work of an evangelist."

The ability to carry out this calling is not in us but comes alone from God, as St. Paul reminded the Corinthian Christians: "Not that we are competent in ourselves to claim anything for ourselves, but our competence comes from God."

PROMISES BY THE PASTOR-ELECT

In keeping with the Word and will of the Lord, you are about to be installed as a pastor at Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church. I ask you in the presence of God and this congregation:

Are you fully determined to carry out this work according to the grace which God will give?

I am.

Do you believe that the canonical books of the Old and New Testaments are the inspired Word of God and the only infallible rule of faith and practice?

I do.

Do you accept the three Ecumenical Creeds—the Apostles', the Nicene, and the Athanasian—as faithful testimonies to the truth of the Holy Scriptures, and do you reject all the errors which they condemn?

I do.

Do you believe that the Unaltered Augsburg Confession is a true exposition of the Word of God and a correct presentation of the doctrine of the Evangelical Lutheran Church and that the other confessions in the Book of Concord are also in agreement with this one scriptural faith: the Apology of the Augsburg Confession, the Small and Large Catechisms of Martin Luther, the Smalcald Articles, and the Formula of Concord?

I do.

Do you solemnly promise that all your teaching and your administration of the sacraments will conform to the Holy Scriptures and the Lutheran Confessions?

I do.

Will you give faithful witness to Christ in the world that God's love may be known in all that you do and say?

I will, and I ask God to help me.

Almighty God, who has given you the will to do these things, graciously give you the strength and compassion to perform them.

EXHORTATION TO THE CONGREGATION

Brothers and sisters in Christ, you have heard the solemn promise given by the one you have called to be your pastor. I urge you, therefore, to receive him as your pastor and to keep in mind always what the Word of God expects of you as members of his flock:

Listen eagerly to the preaching of the Word, receiving it not as the word of men, but as it actually is, the Word of God.

Take to heart his scriptural words of warning and encouragement, humbly accepting the Word planted in you.

Work together with him for our Lord's kingdom so that by your works of service the body of Christ might be built up.

Help him by your word and example in teaching the young, remembering how the Scriptures urge you to bring up your children in the training and instruction of the Lord.

Honor and love him, as the apostle Paul says, "Respect those who work hard among you, who are over you in the Lord and who admonish you. Hold them in the highest regard in love because of their work."

Pray for him continually, that his ministry among you may be greatly blessed and that, with all his responsibilities, he may continue to have a cheerful spirit.

Provide also for his physical needs, for the Lord says, "The worker deserves his wages," and the apostle Paul says, "Anyone who receives instruction in the Word must share all good things with his instructor."

Finally, remember what the Scriptures say, "Obey your leaders and submit to their authority. They keep watch over you as men who must give account. Obey them so that their work will be a joy, not a burden, for that would be of no advantage to you."

PROMISES BY THE CONGREGATION

I now ask you in the presence of God:

Are you willing to receive your pastor as a minister of God? Will you show him the love, honor, and obedience in the Lord, which you owe to a shepherd and overseer placed over you by the Lord Jesus Christ, the chief Shepherd and overseer of souls? If so, answer: We will, and we ask God to help us.

We will, and we ask God to help us.

The almighty and merciful God strengthen and assist you always.

INSTALLATION

Phillip D Sievert, I install you as a pastor at Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

May the Lord pour out on you his Holy Spirit for the work committed to you, that you may faithfully proclaim the gospel in Word and sacraments.

LAYING ON OF HANDS BY ATTENDING PASTORS FROM AREA WELS CONGREGATIONS

PRAYER

Let us pray.

Merciful God and Father, you have graciously promised that through the preaching of the crucified Christ, those who believe in him will be saved. By your Holy Spirit grant grace to your servant whom you have given to be pastor of this congregation. Grant him readiness and steadfastness in this ministry, patience, understanding, and great zeal. Support and strengthen him in your service, that by your Word your Church may be built and increased, through your Son, our great High Priest, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

**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 and the power and the glory
forever and ever. Amen.**

Go, then, take up the work to which you have been called. The Lord bless you and make you a blessing to many, that you may bear fruit and that your fruit may remain to eternal life.

HYMN: Christian Worship #547 We Bid You Welcome in the Name

1 We bid you welcome in the name
Of Jesus, our exalted head.
Come as a servant—so he came—
We shall receive you in his stead.

2 Come as a shepherd; guard and keep
This fold from hell and world and sin.
Nourish the lambs and feed the sheep;
The wounded heal; the lost bring in.

3 Come as a teacher sent from God
With his whole counsel to declare.
Our souls encourage with the Word,
While we uphold your hands with prayer.

4 Come as a messenger of peace,
Filled with the Spirit, fired with love.
God bless your work, your strength increase,
And guide us all to heav'n above.

PRAYER

Pastor: O Lord God, our heavenly Father, pour out the Holy Spirit on your faithful people. Keep us strong in your grace

and truth, protect and comfort us in all temptation, and bestow on us your saving peace, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

BENEDICTION

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and give you peace.

People: Amen.

Please Be seated

**THE CLOSING HYMN: Christian Worship Supplement #752
In Christ Alone**

CWS 752 In Christ Alone



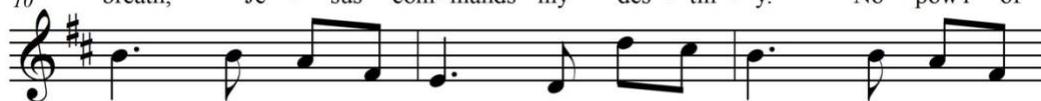
1. In Christ a - lone my hope is found. He is my
 2. In Christ a - lone— who took on flesh, Full - ness of
 3. There in the ground his bod - y lay, Light of the
 4. No guilt in life, no fear in death, This is the



light my strength, my song; This cor - ner - stone, this sol - id
 God in help - less babe. This gift of love and right - eous -
 world by dark - ness slain; Then burst - ing forth in glo - rious
 pow'r of Christ in me; From life's first cry to fin - al



ground, Firm through the fierc - est drought and storm. What heights of
 ness, Scorned by the ones he came to save. Till on that
 day Up from the grave he rose a - gain! And as he
 10 breath, Je - sus com - mands my des - tin - y. No pow'r of



love, what depths of peace, When fears are stilled, when striv - ings
 cross, as Je - sus died, The wrath of God was sa - tis -
 stands in vic - tor - y Sin's curse has lost its grip on
 13 hell, no scheme of man Can ev - er pluck me from his



cease! My Com - for - ter, my all in all, Here in the love of Christ I stand.
 fied; For ev - 'ry sin on him was laid. Here in the death of Christ I live.
 me. For I am his and he is mine Bought with the pre - cious blood of Christ.
 hand; Till he re - turns or calls me home, Here in the pow'r of Christ I stand.



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