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REV. DARREN R. OLSON

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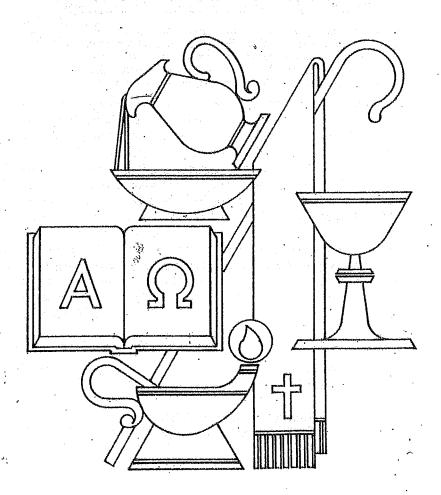
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NORTHERN LINCOLN COUNTY, SOUTH DAKOTA

AND

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SIOUX FALLS LUTHERAN SCHOOL, SIOUX FALLS, SD

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 2021 +++ 7:00 P.M.

VAUGHN AND JOANN MEYER CHAPEL AND PERFORMING ARTS CENTER SIOUX FALLS LUTHERAN SCHOOL CAMPUS





Opening Versicles

- This is the day which the Lord has made;
- let us rejoice and be glad in it.
- From the rising of the sun to its setting,
- the name of the Lord is to be praised.
- L Better is one day in Your courts than a thousand elsewhere;
- I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God than dwell in the tents of the wicked.
- Make me to know Your ways, O Lord.
- C Teach me Your paths.
- **L** Sanctify us in Your truth.
- Your Word is truth.
- From the rising of the sun to its setting,
- the name of the Lord is to be praised.
- Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Readings From Holy Scripture

Reading

Isaiah 12:1-6

¹You will say in that day:
"I will give thanks to you, O LORD,
for though you were angry with me,
your anger turned away,
that you might comfort me.

²"Behold, God is my salvation;
I will trust, and will not be afraid;
for the LORD GOD is my strength and my song,
and he has become my salvation."

³With joy you will draw water from the wells of salvation. ⁴And you will say in that day:

"Give thanks to the LORD, call upon his name, make known his deeds among the peoples, proclaim that his name is exalted.

5"Sing praises to the LORD, for he has done gloriously; let this be made known in all the earth.

6Shout, and sing for joy, O inhabitant of Zion, for great in your midst is the Holy One of Israel."

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Reading

Romans 10:5-17

⁵Moses writes about the righteousness that is based on the law, that the person who does the commandments shall live by them. ⁶But the righteousness based on faith says, "Do not say in your heart, 'Who will ascend into heaven?'" (that is, to bring Christ down) ⁷or "'Who will descend into the abyss?'" (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). ⁸But what does it say? "The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart" (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); ⁹because, if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. ¹⁰For with the heart one believes and is justified, and with the mouth one confesses and is saved. ¹¹For the Scripture says, "Everyone who believes in him will not be put to shame." ¹²For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all, bestowing his riches on all who call on him. ¹³For "everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved."

¹⁴But how are they to call on him in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in him of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone preaching? ¹⁵And how are they to preach unless they are sent? As it is written, "How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the good news!" ¹⁶But they have not all obeyed the gospel. For Isaiah says, "Lord, who has believed what he has heard from us?" ¹⁷So faith comes from hearing, and hearing through the word of Christ.

This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Reading

Luke 14:12-24

¹²Jesus said also to the man who had invited him, "When you give a dinner or a banquet, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or rich neighbors, lest they also invite you in return and you be repaid. ¹³But when you give a feast, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind, ¹⁴and you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you. You will be repaid at the resurrection of the just."

¹⁵When one of those who reclined at table with [Jesus] heard these things, he said to him, "Blessed is everyone who will eat bread in the kingdom of God!" ¹⁶But he said to him, "A man once gave a great banquet and invited many. ¹⁷And at the time for the banquet he sent his servant to say to those who had been invited, 'Come, for everything is now ready.' ¹⁸But they all alike began to make excuses. The first said to him, 'I have bought a field, and I must go out and see it. Please have me excused.' ¹⁹And another said, 'I have bought five yoke of oxen, and I go to examine them. Please have me excused.' ²⁰And another said, 'I have married a wife, and therefore I cannot come.' ²¹So the servant came and reported these things to his master. Then the master of the house became angry and said to his servant, 'Go out quickly to the streets and lanes of the city, and bring in the poor and crippled and blind and lame.' ²²And the servant said, 'Sir, what you commanded has been done, and still there is room.' ²³And the master said to the servant, 'Go out to the highways and hedges and compel people to come in, that my house may be filled. ²⁴For I tell you, none of those men who were invited shall taste my banquet.'"

- This is the Word of the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

Responsory

- **L** Forever, O Lord, Your Word is firmly set in the heavens.
- Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells.
- L Blessed are those who hear the Word of God and keep it.
- Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells.
- L Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.
- Lord. I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells.

Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried.
He descended into hell.
The third day He rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life + everlasting. 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.

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Sermon

"Sent with a Promise" (Luke 24:49)

Sioux Falls Lutheran School Faculty Choir

"Send, O Lord, Your Holy Spirit"

Rite of Installation

- **P** In the name of the Father and of the

 → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.
- Beloved in the Lord, the *Reverend Darren R. Olson* has been called by the Lord of the Church, through the Board of Directors of The South Dakota District of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, to be Missionary-at-Large for Northern Lincoln County, South Dakota. This call was made in collaboration with Sioux Falls Lutheran School, where Rev. Olson will also serve as campus pastor.
- P Hear what Holy Scripture says concerning the institution of the Office of the Holy Ministry.

The Institution of the Office of the Holy Ministry

A Jesus said to [the disciples] again, "Peace be to you! As the Father has sent Me, I also send you." And when He had said this, He breathed on them, and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained." (John 20:21-23)

The Responsibilities of the Office of the Holy Ministry

- P Hear what Holy Scripture says concerning the responsibilities of the Office of the Holy Ministry.
- 15When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon, son of John, do you love me more than these?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." He said to him, "Feed my lambs." ¹⁶He said to him a second time, "Simon, son of John, do you love me?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." He said to him, "Tend my sheep." ¹⁷He said to him the third time, "Simon, son of John, do you love me?" Peter was

grieved because he said to him the third time, "Do you love me?" and he said to him, "Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my sheep." (John 21:15-17)

- ¹⁴Do not neglect the gift you have, which was given you by prophecy when the council of elders laid their hands on you. ¹⁵Practice these things, devote yourself to them, so that all may see your progress. ¹⁶Keep a close watch on yourself and on the teaching. Persist in this, for by so doing you will save both yourself and your hearers. (I Tim. 4:14-16)
- ¹This is how one should regard us, as servants of Christ and stewards of the mysteries of God. ²Moreover, it is required of stewards that they be found trustworthy. (I Cor. 4:1-2)
- ¹⁷Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come.

 ¹⁸All this is from God, who through Christ reconciled us to himself and gave us the ministry of reconciliation;

 ¹⁹that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting to us the message of reconciliation. ²⁰Therefore, we are ambassadors for Christ, God making his appeal through us. We implore you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. ²¹For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God. (II Cor. 5:17-21)
- ¹I charge you in the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the dead, and by his appearing and his kingdom: ²preach the word; be ready in season and out of season; reprove, rebuke, and exhort, with complete patience and teaching. ³For the time is coming when people will not endure sound teaching, but having itching ears they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own passions, ⁴and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander off into myths. ⁵As for you, always be sober-minded, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, fulfill your ministry. (II Tim. 4:1-5)
- ¹The saying is trustworthy: If anyone aspires to the office of overseer, he desires a noble task. ²Therefore an overseer must be above reproach, the husband of one wife, sober-minded, self-controlled, respectable, hospitable, able to teach, ³not a drunkard, not violent but gentle, not quarrelsome, not a lover of money. ⁴He must manage his own household well, with all dignity keeping his children submissive, ⁵for if someone does not know how to manage his own household, how will he care for God's church? ⁶He must not be a recent convert, or he may become puffed up with conceit and fall into the condemnation of the devil. ⁷Moreover, he must be well thought of by outsiders, so that he may not fall into disgrace, into a snare of the devil. (*I Tim. 3:1-7*)
- [Our Lord] gave some to be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, and some pastors and teachers, for the equipping of the saints for the work of ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ. (Eph. 4:11-12)
- Take heed to yourselves and to all the flock, among which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers, to shepherd the church of God which He purchased with His own blood. (Acts 20:28)
- ²shepherd the flock of God that is among you, exercising oversight, not under compulsion, but willingly, as God would have you; not for shameful gain, but eagerly; ³not domineering over those in your charge, but being examples to the flock. ⁴And when the chief Shepherd appears, you will receive the unfading crown of glory. (*I Peter5:2-4*)

The Strength and Promise in the Office of the Holy Ministry

- P Hear what Holy Scripture says concerning the strength and promise God gives to those in the Office of the Holy Ministry.
- Let the one who boasts, boast in the Lord." ¹⁸For it is not the one who commends himself who is approved, but the one whom the Lord commends. (II Cor. 10:17-18)
- Continue in the things which you have learned and been assured of, knowing from whom you have learned them, and that from childhood you have known the Holy Scriptures, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus. All Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness, that the man of God may be complete, thoroughly equipped for every good work. (II Tim. 3:14-17)

Dear brother in Christ, the Lord grant that you receive and keep these words in your heart so that you may be strengthened and encouraged in your labors.

God gathers His Church by and around His Holy Gospel and thereby also grants it growth and increase according to His good pleasure. That this may be done, He has established the Office of the Holy Ministry into which you have been called by the Church and have been ordained and consecrated by prayer and the laying on of hands. It is fitting that you should again acknowledge the responsibilities of this holy office in which you are to serve as a Missionary and Campus Pastor.

In the presence of this assembly and before our Lord God to whom you must give an account now and at the Last Day, I now ask you:

- P Do you acknowledge that the Lord has called you through His Church into the ministry of Word and Sacrament?
- \mathbb{R} I do.
- **P** Do you believe and confess the canonical books of the Old and New Testaments to be the inspired Word of God and the only infallible rule of faith and practice?
- \mathbb{R} I do.
- Do you believe and confess the three Ecumenical Creeds, namely the Apostles', the Nicene, and the Athanasian Creeds, as faithful testimonies to the truth of the Holy Scriptures, and do you reject all the errors which they condemn?
- R I do.
- P Do you confess the Unaltered Augsburg Confession to be a true exposition of Holy Scripture and a correct exhibition of the doctrine of the Evangelical Lutheran Church? And do you confess that the Apology of the Augsburg Confession, the Small and Large Catechisms of Martin Luther, the Smalcald Articles, the Treatise on the Power and Primacy of the Pope, and the Formula of Concord—as these are contained in the Book of Concord—are also in agreement with this one scriptural faith?
- R I do.
- Do you promise that you will perform the duties of your office in accordance with these Confessions, and that all your preaching and teaching and your administration of the Sacraments will be in conformity with Holy Scripture and with these Confessions?
- R Yes, I promise, with the help of God.
- Will you faithfully instruct both young and old in the chief articles of Christian doctrine, will you forgive the sins of those who repent, and will you promise never to divulge the sins confessed to you? Will you minister faithfully to the sick and dying, and will you demonstrate to the Church a constant and ready ministry centered in the Gospel? Will you admonish and encourage the people to a lively confidence in Christ and in holy living?
- R Yes, I will, with the help of God.
- Finally, will you honor and adorn the Office of the Holy Ministry with a holy life? Will you be diligent in the study of Holy Scripture and the Confessions? And will you be constant in prayer for those under your pastoral care?
- ${f R}$ I will, the Lord helping me through the power and grace of His Holy Spirit.

The presiding minister speaks to the assembly:

- P Beloved in the Lord, Holy Scripture says, "Obey your leaders and submit to their authority. They keep watch over you as men who must give an account. Obey them so that their work will be a joy, not a burden, for that would be of no advantage to you."
- You have heard the solemn promise of him called to be missionary and campus pastor. Will you receive him, show him that love, honor, and obedience in the Lord that you owe to the shepherds and teachers placed over us by your Lord Jesus Christ, and will you pray for him always that his ministry among us may be abundantly blessed? If so, then answer: We will, with the help of God.

- We will, with the help of God.
- Will you honor and uphold Rev. Olson as he serves Christ in all his God-pleasing responsibilities, including in his vocations as a husband and father? Will you be diligent to "put the best construction on everything," recognizing that "love covers a multitude of sins"? If so, then answer: We will, with the help of God.
- We will, with the help of God.
- P The almighty and most merciful God strengthen and assist you always.

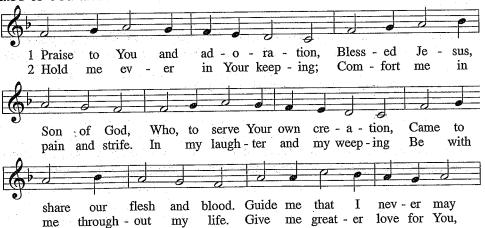
The presiding minister addresses the missionary-elect and installs him into his new service in the Church:

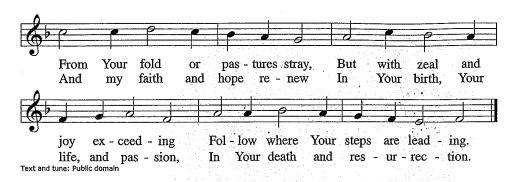
- P Are you willing and ready to assume this public trust and responsibility?
- R I am.
- P Darren R. Olson, I install you as Missionary-at-Large of Northern Lincoln County and as Campus Pastor of Sioux Falls Lutheran School, in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.
- Now may the God of peace who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, equip you with everything good that you may do His will, working in you that which is pleasing in His sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever.
- C Amen.
- 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 Darren, whom You have given to be Your servant in this unique ministry. 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.
- C Amen.
- P Darren, go now, and share and preach the Word of God; administer the holy Sacraments; offer prayer for all the faithful and for the mission field before you. Care for the students, faculty and staff of the school, as you have been cared for by the Good Shepherd, Jesus Christ. Do it with great joy, for you have been called not to lordship but to humble service. And when the Good Shepherd appears, you will receive the crown of glory that will never fade away.

The almighty and most merciful God, the Father, the + Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless and preserve you.

C Amen.

692 Praise to You and Adoration





Prayer

- In peace let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- L For the gift of divine peace and of pardon, with all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- E For the holy Christian Church, here and scattered throughout the world, and for the proclamation of the Gospel and the calling of all to faith, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- L For this nation, for our cities and communities, and for the common welfare of us all, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- For seasonable weather and for the fruitfulness of the earth, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- E For those who labor, for those whose work is difficult or dangerous, and for all who travel, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- L For all those in need, for the hungry and homeless, for the widowed and orphaned, and for all those in prison, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- L For the sick and dying and for all those who care for them, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- **[L]** For . . . [additional bids for prayer may be inserted here] . . . let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- Finally, for these and for all our needs of body and soul, let us pray to the Lord:
- Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

Collect of the Day

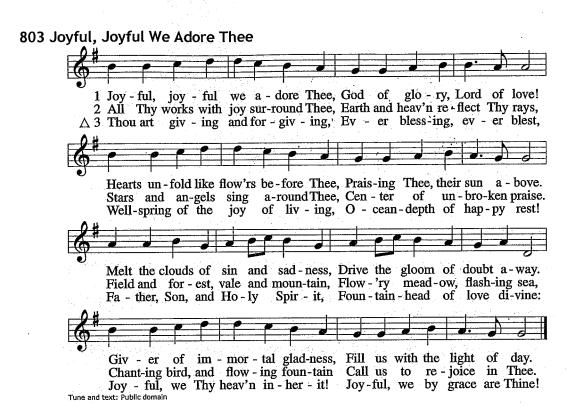
- O Lord, let Your merciful ears be open to the prayers of Your humble servants and grant that what they ask may be in accord with Your gracious will; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

Collect for the Word

- Elessed Lord, You have caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning. Grant that we may so hear them, read, mark, learn, and take them to heart that, by the patience and comfort of Your holy Word, we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- G Amen.

Blessing

- L Let us bless the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.
- The almighty and merciful Lord, the Father, the + Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless and preserve you.
- C Amen.



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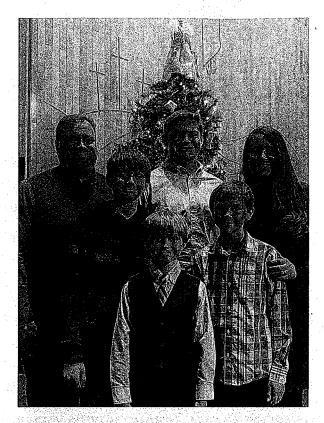
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Rev. Scott Sailer, President, South Dakota District, The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod

Keyboardist/Choir Director Mrs. Kristi Prouty, Music Department Head and Teacher, Sioux Falls Lutheran School

A Reception Follows in the Commons Area.

The cover design is made up of a number of symbols of the Office of the Holy Ministry. The stole represents the yoke of Christ. The cross upon the stole reminds us of our Savior who gave Himself on the cross and who has also given the authority and responsibility of ministry. The functions of the Holy Ministry are represented by the open Bible (preaching), the ewer and bowl (Holy Baptism), the chalice (Lord's Supper), the lamp (teaching), and the shepherd's crook (service). The Alpha and Omega on the Bible tell us that Christ is the Beginning and the End, the completion of our faith. (The design is from "The Ministry: Offices, Procedures, and Nomenclature," A Report of the Commission on Theology and Church Relations of The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, September 1981.)



Rev. Darren Olson was born in Willmar, MN, but grew up as a child of God in Gettysburg, SD and graduated from Gettysburg High School in 1995. He received a Bachelor of Science degree in Behavioral Science from Concordia University, Nebraska in 1999. Upon graduation he entered Concordia Seminary, St. Louis, MO. He served his vicarage at Immanuel Lutheran Church and School, Bay City, MI. He graduated from Concordia Seminary in 2003 with a Master of Divinity and in 2004 with a Master of Sacred Theology degree. He was ordained into the ministry on June 20, 2004 at his home congregation, Emmanuel Lutheran Church, Gettysburg, SD. He served as the pastor of Zion Lutheran Church, Canistota, SD and St. John Lutheran Church, Montrose, SD from 2004 until 2012. In 2012 he accepted the call to serve as Executive Secretary of The South Dakota District where he served until July 2021.

On July 8, 2000 he married his beautiful wife, Susan Burmeister, at St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Truman, MN. She has a Master's Degree in Early Childhood Education and is the Fantastic Fives teacher at Sioux Falls Lutheran School. Together God has blessed them with four wonderful boys: Ethan (15), Luke (12), Joshua (11), and Benjamin (8). Darren enjoys spending time with his family, especially playing football, basketball, baseball, and soccer with his boys. In his free time he also enjoys golfing, fishing, and reading. He continues to cheer for all of the Minnesota sports teams, even though they consistently break his heart.

