

OPENING PRAYER

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GREETING

- L: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- P: **And also with you.**

SENTENCES OF SCRIPTURE

- L: Proclaim with me the greatness of the Lord; Ps. 34:3
- P: **Let us exalt the name of the Lord together.**
- L: Come, let us sing to the Lord; Ps. 95:1
- P: **Let us shout for joy to the Rock of our salvation.**

PRESENTATION OF THE MODERATOR & VICE MODERATOR

- L: On behalf of (_____), I present today for installation of Moderator and Vice Moderator Rev. Dr. Wanda Lundy and Kirk Woodward for the new Presbytery of the Northeast.
- L: As many of you as were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. There is one body and one Spirit, just as we were called to the one hope of our calling.
- L: We are all called into the church of Jesus Christ by baptism, and marked as Christ's own by the Holy Spirit. This is our common calling, to be disciples and servants of our servant Lord. Within the community of the church, some are called to particular service as ministers of Word and Sacrament, as elders, and as deacons. Recognizing the importance of each office, the church ordains and installs in order to assure fulfillment of the primary responsibilities of preaching the Word and administering the sacraments, ordering the governance of the church, and providing for ministries of care and compassion in the world. Representing the one, holy, catholic, and apostolic church, the Synod of the Northeast by means of the Administrative Commission, today installs the Rev. Dr. Wanda Lundy and Kirk Woodward to serve as the moderator and vice moderator of the Presbytery of Northeast New Jersey on this the 1st stated meeting.

CONSTITUTIONAL QUESTIONS

- L: Do you trust in the Lord Jesus Christ 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.
- L: 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.
- L: 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.
- L: Will you be a minister of the Word and Sacrament in obedience to Jesus Christ under the authority of Scripture and continually guided by our confessions?
I will.
- L: 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.

L: 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.

L: Do you promise to further the peace, unity, and purity of the church?

I do.

L: Will you seek to serve the people with energy, intelligence, imagination, and love?

I will.

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

I will.

CONSTITUTIONAL QUESTIONS TO THE PRESBYTERY

L: Do we, the members of the Presbytery of Northeast New Jersey, accept and affirm the Rev Dr. Wanda Lundy and Kirk Woodward as the Moderator and Vice Moderator, chosen by God through the voices of this transitional process to guide us in the way of Jesus Christ?

We do.

L: Do we agree to encourage him/her, to respect his/her decisions, and to follow as they guide us in this new path moving forward as the Presbytery of Northeast, New Jersey, serving Jesus Christ who alone is Head of the Church?

We do

PRAYER OF INSTALLATION

L: Gracious and eternal God, with joy we give you all thanks and praise. Throughout the ages you have been faithful to your covenant people whom you have called out of bondage and redeemed to be your own. In every time and place you have chosen servants from among your people to point the way to salvation. We are grateful for ancestors in the faith who followed without fear, placing their trust in you alone. We give you thanks for judges and monarchs who ruled in righteousness and peace. We praise you for prophets and apostles who spoke your bold words of mercy and of truth. We thank you for pastors and teachers who have nurtured your people in faith and faithfulness. Above all we praise you for Jesus Christ, who came not to be served, but to serve, and to give his life to set others free. Anointed by your Holy Spirit, he proclaimed your reign on earth, revealing your saving love in all he said and did.

L: Gracious God, pour out your Spirit upon your servants, the Rev. Dr. Wanda Lundy and Kirk Woodward whom you called by baptism as your own. Grant them the same mind that was in Christ Jesus. Give them a spirit of truthfulness rightly to proclaim your Word in Christ from pulpit, table, and font, and in the words and actions of daily living. Give them the gifts of your Holy Spirit to build up the church, to strengthen the common life of your people, and to lead with compassion and vision as we move forward in the development of this new missional community. In the walk of faith and for the work of ministry, give to your servants, and to all of us who will walk with them in this new journey of faith, gladness and strength, discipline and hope, humility, humor, and courage, and an abiding sense of your presence.

DECLARATION OF INSTALLATION

L: Rev. Dr. Wanda Lundy and Kirk Woodward, you are now the inaugural installed moderator and vice moderator of the Presbytery of Northeast, NJ. Be faithful and true in your ministry so that your whole life will bear witness to the crucified and risen Jesus Christ. May you serve with faithful joy and holy love to the glory of God and the strengthening of the presbytery. Please be assured of our love and support as unto Christ.

L: People of God, congratulations, as we are confiding in the One who is creating “something new” (Isaiah 43), and have taken another step to perceive the guidance of our Lord, through the leading of the Spirit. May we continue to work together as a new missional community, lifting up the name that is above all names and worthy to be praised, Jesus the Christ.

BLESSING

L: The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. Alleluia! Amen