

The Celebration of a New Ministry



The Installation of

The Reverend Nicholas Isaac Phares
as Rector of
St. Luke's Episcopal Church
Bartlesville, Oklahoma

by

The Right Reverend Poulson C. Reed
Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Oklahoma

The Feast of Saint Matthias the Apostle
February 24, 2021

Hymn: *Lord Whose Love Through Humble Service*

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The Institution

Dan Droege and Doug McIver, standing before the bishop with the new minister, say these or similar words

Bishop Poulson, we have come together today to welcome Nicholas Isaac Phares, who has been chosen to serve as Rector of St. Luke's. We believe that he is well qualified, and that he has been prayerfully and lawfully selected.

The Bishop may read the Letter of Institution.

The Bishop then says

Nicholas, do you, in the presence of this congregation, commit yourself to this new trust and responsibility?

New minister I do.

The Bishop then addresses the congregation

Will you who witness this new beginning support and uphold Nicholas in this ministry?

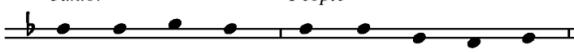
People We will.

The Bishop, standing, says

Let us then offer our prayers to God for all his people, for this congregation, and for Nicholas, their Rector.

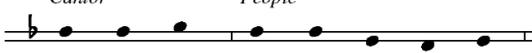
The Litany for Ordinations

Cantor *People*



God the Fa - ther, Have mer - cy on us.

Cantor *People*



God the Son, Have mer - cy on us.

Cantor *People*



God the Holy Spir - it, Have mer - cy on us.

Cantor *People*



Holy Trini - ty, one God, Have mer - cy on us.

Cantor *People*



We pray to you, Lord Christ. Lord, hear our prayer.

For the holy Church of God, that it may be filled with truth and love, and be found without fault at the Day of your Coming, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

For all members of your Church in their vocation and ministry, that they may serve you in a true and godly life, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

For Michael, our Presiding Bishop, Poulson, our own Bishop, and for all bishops, priests, and deacons, that they may be filled with your love, may hunger for truth, and may thirst after righteousness, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

For Nicholas, chosen priest in your Church, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

That he may faithfully fulfill the duties of this ministry, build up your Church, and glorify your Name, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

That by the indwelling of the Holy Spirit he may be sustained and encouraged to persevere to the end, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

For all who fear God and believe in you, Lord Christ, that our divisions may cease and that all may be one as you and the Father are one, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

For the mission of the Church, that in faithful witness it may preach the Gospel to the ends of the earth, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

For those who do not yet believe, and for those who have lost their faith, that they may receive the light of the Gospel, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

For the peace of the world, that a spirit of respect and forbearance may grow among nations and peoples, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

For those in positions of public trust, that they may serve justice and promote the dignity and freedom of every person, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

For the poor, the persecuted, the sick, and all who suffer; for refugees, prisoners, and all who are in danger; that they may be relieved and protected, we pray to you, O Lord.

called in their language Hakeldama, that is, Field of Blood.) "For it is written in the book of Psalms,

Let his homestead become desolate,
and let there be no one to live in it';

and

Let another take his position of overseer.'

So one of the men who have accompanied us during all the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, beginning from the baptism of John until the day when he was taken up from us-- one of these must become a witness with us to his resurrection." So they proposed two, Joseph called Barsabbas, who was also known as Justus, and Matthias. Then they prayed and said, "Lord, you know everyone's heart. Show us which one of these two you have chosen to take the place in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas turned aside to go to his own place." And they cast lots for them, and the lot fell on Matthias; and he was added to the eleven apostles.

People The word of the Lord.
 Thanks be to God.

Psalm 15

1. Lord, who may dwell in your tabernacle? *
 who may abide upon your holy hill?
2. Whoever leads a blameless life and does what is right, *
 Who speaks the truth from his heart.
3. There is no guile upon his tongue;
 he does no evil to his friend; *
 he does not heap contempt upon his neighbor.
4. In his sight the wicked is rejected, *
 but he honors those who fear the Lord.
5. He has sworn to do no wrong *
 and does not take back his word.
6. He does not give his money on hope of gain, *
 Nor does he take a bribe against the innocent.
7. Whoever does these things *
 Shall never be overthrown.

Hymn: *King of Glory King of Peace*

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The Gospel According to John (15:1,6-16)

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John
People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said, "I am the true vine, and my Father is the vine-grower. Whoever does not abide in me is thrown away like a branch and withers; such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples.

As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete.

'This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. You did not choose me, but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name.

The Gospel of the Lord
People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon:

The Right Reverend Poulson C. Reed

Instrumental: *Jesus Loves Me* Williams Bradbury & Claude Debussy, *Arranged by Fred Bock*

Ms. Keeli Droege

The Induction

Representatives of the congregation and of the clergy of the diocese stand before the bishop with the new minister.

Penny Williams present a Bible, saying

Nicholas, accept this Bible, and be among us as one who proclaims the Word.

People Amen.

The Bishop presents a vessel of water, saying

Nicholas, take this water, and help me baptize in obedience to our Lord.

People Amen.

Steve Van Aken presents a stole, saying

Nicholas, receive this stole, and be among us as a pastor and priest.

People Amen.

Jeff Birk presents a book of prayers, saying

Nicholas, receive this book, and be among us as a man of prayer.

People Amen.

Susie Clark presents oil, saying

Nicholas, use this oil, and be among us as a healer and reconciler.

People Amen.

Dan Droege presents the keys of the church, saying

Nicholas receive these keys, and let the doors of this place be open to all people.

People Amen.

Canon Eric presents the Constitution and Canons of this Church, saying

Nicholas, obey these Canons, and be among us to share in the councils of this diocese.

People Amen.

Nancy Woods presents a cross, saying

Nicholas, receive this cross, and encourage us to reach outward as we serve God's people through mission and outreach.

People Amen.

Keeli Droege presents a Godly Play story, saying

Nicholas, we present to you this Godly Play Story. Please tell us stories that teach us to wonder and play.

People Amen.

Kris Bonner and Becky Liehr present bread and wine, saying

Nicholas, take this bread and wine, and be among us to break the Bread and bless the Cup.

People Amen.

The Bishop then says

Nicholas, let all these be signs of the ministry which is mine and yours in this place.

People Amen.

The new Minister kneels in the midst of the church, and says

O Lord my God, I am not worthy to have you come under my roof; yet you have called your servant to stand in your house, and to serve at your altar. To you and to your service I devote myself, body, soul, and spirit. Fill my memory with the record of your mighty works; enlighten my understanding with the light of your Holy Spirit; and may all the desires of my heart and will center in what you would have me do.

Make me an instrument of your salvation for the people entrusted to my care, and grant that I may faithfully administer your holy Sacraments, and by my life and teaching set forth your true and living Word. Be always with me in carrying out the duties of my ministry.

In prayer, quicken my devotion; in praises, heighten my love and gratitude; in preaching, give me readiness of thought and expression; and grant that, by the clearness and brightness of your holy Word, all the world may be drawn into your blessed kingdom. All this I ask for the sake of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

The Bishop then presents the new minister to the congregation, saying

Greet your new Rector.

The Congregation expresses its approval. Applause is appropriate.

The Bishop greets the new minister.

The new Minister then says to the people

The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People And also with you.

Then the Ministers and People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

Announcements

Today's offering benefits Fr. Nicholas's discretionary fund, which he uses to help those in need. Please be as generous as you are able.

The Great Thanksgiving

The people remain standing.

The Lord Be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give him thanks and praise.

The Celebrant proceeds

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Through the great shepherd of your flock, Jesus Christ our Lord, who after his resurrection sent forth his apostles to preach the Gospel and to teach all nations; and promised to be with them always, even to the end of the ages.

Therefore, we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Celebrant and People

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,
 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,
 hea-ven and earth are full, full of your glo - ry. Ho-
 san - na in the high - est. Ho-san - na in the high - est.
 Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-
 san - na in the high - est. Ho-san - na in the high - est.

Setting: From *Deutsche Messe*, Franz Schubert

The people stand or kneel.

Then the Celebrant continues

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and forever. *AMEN.*

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

People and Celebrant

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,
for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.

A period of silence is kept.

Then is sung:



Je - sus, Lamb of God: have mer - cy on us.

Je - sus, bear - er of our sins: have mer - cy on us.

Je - sus, re - deem - er, re - deem - er of the world:

give us your peace, give us your peace.

Setting: From *Deutsche Messe*; Franz Peter Schubert

Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

All people of goodwill are invited to receive Communion or a Blessing

Communion Hymn: *Be Thou My Vision* Instrumental

Communion Hymn: *Thou Who At Thy First Eucharist Didst Pray* Instrumental

Post Communion Prayer

Celebrant Let Us Pray.

Almighty Father, we thank you for feeding us with the holy food of the Body and Blood of your Son, and for uniting us through him in the fellowship of your Holy Spirit. We thank you for raising up among us faithful servants for the ministry of your Word and Sacraments. We pray that Nicholas may be to us an effective example in word and action, in love and patience, and in holiness of life. Grant that we, with him, may serve you now, and always rejoice in your glory; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

The Blessing

Closing Hymn: *Tell Out My Soul*

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Dismissal

Hymn: *Lord Whose Love Through Humble Service*

1 Lord, whose love through hum - ble ser - vice bore the weight of hu - man
 2 Still your chil - dren wan - der home - less; still the hun - gry cry for
 3 As we wor - ship, grant us vi - sion, till your love's re - veal - ing
 4 Called by wor - ship to your ser - vice, forth in your dear name we

need, who up - on the cross, for - sak - en, of - fered mer - cy's
 bread; still the cap - tives long for free - dom; still in grief we
 light, in its height and depth and great - ness, dawns up - on our
 go, to the child, the youth, the a - ged love in liv - ing

per - fect deed, we, your ser - vants, bring the wor - ship
 mourn our dead. As, O Lord, your deep com - pas - sion
 quick - ened sight, mak - ing known the needs and bur - dens
 deeds to show; hope and health, good will and com - fort,

not of voice a - lone, but heart, con - se - crat - ing
 healed the sick and freed the soul, use the love your
 your com - pas - sion bids us bear, stir - ring us to
 coun - sel, aid, and peace we give, that your ser - vants,

to your pur - pose ev - ery gift that you im - part.
 Spi - rit kin - dles still to save and make us whole.
 tire - less striv - ing, your a - bun - dant life to share.
 Lord, in free - dom may your mer - cy know and live.

Words: Albert F. Bayly (b. 1901), alt., Music: *Blaenhafren*, Welsh melody

Hymn: *King of Glory King of Peace*

1 King of glo - ry, King of peace, I will love thee;
 2 Where - fore with my ut - most art, I will sing thee;
 3 Seven whole days, not one in seven, I will praise thee;

Tenor or soprano ad libitum

3 Seven whole days, not one in seven, I will praise thee;

and that love may nev - er cease, I will move thee.
 and the cream of all my heart, I will bring thee.
 in my heart, though not in heaven, I can raise thee.

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Thou hast grant - ed my re - quest, thou hast heard me;
 Though my sins a - gainst me cried, thou didst clear me;
 Small it is in this poor sort to en - roll thee;

Small it is in this poor sort to en - roll thee;

thou didst note my work - ing breast, thou hast spared me.
 and a - lone, when they re - plied, thou didst hear me.
 e'en e - ter - ni - ty's too short to ex - tol thee.

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Words: George Herbert (1593-1633), Music: *General Seminary*, David Charles Walker (b. 1938)

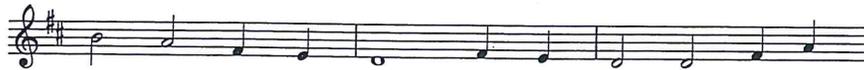
Hymn: *Come Thou Font of Every Blessing*

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The Christian Life



1 Come, thou fount of ev - ery bless - ing, tune my
2 Here I find my great - est trea - sure; hith - er,
3 Oh, to grace how great a debt - or dai - ly



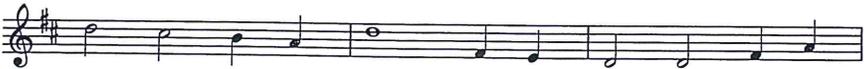
heart to sing thy grace! Streams of mer - cy nev - er
by thy help, I've come; and I hope, by thy good
I'm con - strained to be! Let thy good - ness, like a



ceas - ing, call for songs of loud - est praise.
plea - sure, safe - ly to ar - rive at home.
fet - ter, bind my wan - dering heart to thee:



Teach me some me - lo - dious son - net, sung by
Je - sus sought me when a stran - ger wan - dering
prone to wan - der, Lord, I feel it, prone to



flam - ing tongues a - bove. Praise the mount! Oh, fix me
from the fold of God; he, to res - cue me from
leave the God I love; here's my heart, oh, take and



on it, mount of God's un - chang - ing love.
dan - ger, in - ter - posed his pre - cious blood.
seal it, seal it for thy courts a - bove.

Words: Robert Robinson (1735-1790), alt.
Music: Nettleton, melody from *A Repository of Sacred Music, Part II*, 1813

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Jesus Christ our Lord



1 Tell out, my soul, the great-ness of the Lord! Un -
2 Tell out, my soul, the great-ness of his Name! Make
3 Tell out, my soul, the great-ness of his might! Powers
4 Tell out, my soul, the glo - ries of his word! Firm



num - bered bless - ings give my spi - rit voice; ten - der to
known his might, the deeds his arm has done; his mer - cy
and do - min - ions lay their glo - ry by. Proud hearts and
is his prom - ise, and his mer - cy sure. Tell out, my



me the prom - ise of his word; in
sure, from age to age the same; his
stub - born wills are put to flight, the
soul, the great - ness of the Lord to



God my Sa - vior shall my heart re - jice.
ho - ly Name— the Lord, the Might - y One.
hun - gry fed, the hum - ble lift - ed high.
chil - dren's chil - dren and for ev - er - more!

Alternative tune: *Birmingham*, 437.

Words: Timothy Dudley-Smith (b. 1926); based on *The Song of Mary*
Music: *Woodlands*, Walter Greatorex (1877-1949), alt.

Participants in the Liturgy

Celebrant:	The Right Reverend Poulson C. Reed Bishop of the Diocese of Oklahoma
Rector:	The Reverend Nicholas Isaac Phares Rector, St. Luke's Episcopal Church, Bartlesville, Oklahoma
Assisting Clergy:	The Reverend Canon Eric Cooter Canon to the Ordinary
Server:	Darian Kedy
Kite:	Steve Clark
Cantor:	Teresa Phares
Organist:	Dolores McCreary
Cellist:	Lauren Green
Pianist:	Keeli Droege
Ushers:	Glenn Bonner and Jim Liehr
Presenters:	Bible – Penny Williams Water – Bishop Poulson Stole – Steve Van Aken Book of Common Prayer – Jeff Birk Oil of Healing – Susie Clark Keys to the Church – Dan Droege Constitution and Canons of the Church – Canon Eric Cooter Cross – Nancy Woods Godly Play Story – Keeli Droege Bread and Wine – Kris Bonner and Becky Liehr
Vestry:	Dan Droege, Doug McIver, Penny Williams, Nancy Woods, Steve Van Aken, Heather Boyle, Nancy Warring, Katherine Powell, Karole Cozby, Chad Ellis, Nancy Megee, and Karl Franks

Thank you again to Kris Bonner and the members of the Altar Guild, Dolores McCreary, Lauren Green and Keeli Droege for sharing in this special day.

Additionally, thanks to the Vestry, parish staff, search committee, and all the members of St. Luke's for making this day possible.

Flowers for the reception on the occasion of the Celebration of New Ministry are given in honor of the shared ministry of this family of faith. To God be the Glory!

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