

The order of service for the installation of

Rev. Matthew Behrens

into the office of the holy ministry of

Calvary Lutheran Church San Lorenzo, CA January 6, 2019 4:00 pm

PRE-SERVICE MUSIC

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

"Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"

LSB 790

INVOCATION

- P In the name of God, the Father,
- C Who created us, who sustains us, and who "...so loved the world that He gave His only Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish, but have eternal life." (John 3:16)
- P In the name of the Son,
- "Who, though He was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but emptied himself, taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. And being found in human form, he humbled Himself, and became obedient unto death, even death on the cross." (Philippians 2:6-8)
- P And, in the name of the Holy Spirit,
- "Whose manifestation is given to each one of us for the good of the entire church. He fills us and empowers us as He Himself wills." (1 Corinthians 12:7-11)

GREETING AND CALL TO WORSHIP

- P The Lord be with you!
- C And also with you.
- P Let us give praise to the Father through Jesus Christ His Son.
- C Who has redeemed us and given us Salvation.
- P He has called us and we have heard His voice.
- C He has healed us and has sent us into the world.
- P For this mission, Christ has given us the Spirit.
- C To proclaim the gospel to all Nations, sharing with them the love of Christ, that they might hear His calling and find life in Him.

PRAYER FOR THE CHURCH AND THE MINISTRY

- P Gracious Heavenly Father,
- C We thank and praise you for your dear Son, whom you sent to suffer and die on the cross, and for raising him from the dead on the Third Day that we might have life in Him.
- P Father, in Jesus Christ alone we have hope.
- C We do not hope in ourselves, or in our nation, or in humanity, we stand alone in the grace of Jesus Christ, purchased and won for us on the Cross, because of your great compassion.

- P We thank you Father for the Office of the Ministry.
- You have given us undershepherds of Jesus who is our Good Shepherd, so that they might point us to Jesus, protect us from those who would attack us, and faithfully lead us to the grace and mercy that You so abundantly provide through your Son.
- P Bless Your Church with strength, unity, and humility,
- C As Jesus himself prayed for the Church.
- P According to Your will Father.
- C Bless Pastor Matt, that he may fulfill the office to which he has been called, that Christ might be glorified, and that Your church may give praise and glory to You, because of Your mercy.
- P Bless the Office of the Ministry and all the Baptized in Your Church.
- C That Your Gospel is preached to the ends of the earth and that all might hear the message of Jesus Christ and believe and be saved.
- P Hear us, Father, and grant our requests in the name of Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord and Savior.
- C Amen!

SCRIPTURE READING Zechariah 3:1-10

Then he showed me Joshua the high priest standing before the angel of the Lord, and Satan standing at his right hand to accuse him. 2 And the Lord said to Satan, "The Lord rebuke you, O Satan! The Lord who has chosen Jerusalem rebuke you! Is not this a brand plucked from the fire?" 3 Now Joshua was standing before the angel, clothed with filthy garments. 4 And the angel said to those who were standing before him, "Remove the filthy garments from him." And to him he said, "Behold, I have taken your iniquity away from you, and I will clothe you with pure vestments." 5 And I said, "Let them put a clean turban on his head." So they put a clean turban on his head and clothed him with garments. And the angel of the Lord was standing by.

6 And the angel of the Lord solemnly assured Joshua, 7 "Thus says the Lord of hosts: If you will walk in my ways and keep my charge, then you shall rule my house and have charge of my courts, and I will give you the right of access among those who are standing here. 8 Hear now, O Joshua the high priest, you and your friends who sit before you, for they are men who are a sign: behold, I will bring my servant the Branch. 9 For behold, on the stone that I have set before Joshua, on a single stone with seven eyes, I will engrave its inscription, declares the Lord of hosts, and I will remove the iniquity of this land in a single day. 10 In that day, declares the Lord of hosts, every one of you will invite his neighbor to come under his vine and under his fig tree."

SERMON HYMN

"Love Divine, All Love Excelling"

LSB 700

SERMON

Envision a "cleaned up" priesthood

Zechariah 3:1-10

THE APOSTLES' CREED

RITE OF INSTALLATION OF Rev. Matthew Behrens

SPECIAL HYMN "The Church's One Foundation" LSB 644

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

LORD'S PRAYER

BLESSING

RECESSIONAL HYMN Hark the Voice of Jesus Calling LSB 827

Please join us for a reception in the parish hall.

Acknowledgements

A special word of thanks to all who helped make this service possible. Our trust is that all have been blessed in a special way. Praise God from whom all blessings flow!

Liturgist

Rev. Gary Mohr

Interim Pastor Calvary Lutheran Church, San Lorenzo

<u>Preacher</u>

Rev. Michael Lange

President, California-Nevada-Hawaii District Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod

<u>Installation</u>

Rev. Aaron Smith Regional Vice President, California-Nevada-Hawaii District

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