Broadway Baptest Church, Fort Worth, TX

A Service of Christian Worship Celebrating the Ordination of Mitzi Ellington

June 28, 1992 7:00 p.m.

WELCOME TO THE WORSHIPERS

Gene Thompson

PIANO PRELUDE

Jane Andrews

CALL TO WORSHIP, "Sing to the Lord"

Haves

Chapel Choir

Sing to the Lord! Sing with joy to the Lord! Sing to the Lord! Lift up your voice in harmonious praise! Sing to the Lord! Join in the jubilant anthem we raise. Sing to the Lord! Praise ye the Lord! O sing praises, give him praises. Sing to the Lord! Sounds of sweet music circle the earth. Sing to the Lord! Sing for the heavens are telling his marvelous works. Sing to the Lord! Join the chorus of praise. Join the song of praise around the earth! O sing praises to the Lord! Praise him, ye creatures here below for his love and mercy everlasting! Praise him, above all ye heavenly hosts for he reigns in power and might and majesty! The Lord has displayed his splendor in all the earth. The earth is filled with his power and might, goodness and light. Let all creatures join in the chorus of praise! Consider the lilies of the field; they neither toil nor spin, reap nor sow. Yet even Solomon in all his splendor was not arrayed like one of these. Consider the sparrows and how the Father doth careth for them. How much more does he care for you? Praise ye the Lord! Sing praise to the Lord! Sing to the Lord, sing praise to the Lord! Sing unto the Lord! Sing unto the Lord! Sing unto the Lord!

THE INVOCATION

Robin E. Sullens

*HYMN No. 213, "Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us"

Bradbury

REPORT OF THE ORDAINING COUNCIL

Mary Lovegren

*HYMN No. 216, "Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

Faithfulness

WORDS OF CHRISTIAN WITNESS

Mitzi Ellington

THE SCRIPTURE LESSONS,

Jeremiah 1:4-10 and 1 Peter 5:2-4

Mary Lovegren

THE CHARGE TO THE CANDIDATE

Eleanor Cozad Cherryholmes

LITANY OF ORDINATION

Eleanor Cozad Cherryholmes

Leader:

We acknowledge the promise of God's Spirit upon all flesh, and that God's sons and daughters shall prophesy.

Mitzi:

I have heard God's call.

Leader:

God has called you. What is your message and ministry?

Mitzi:

God has given me the message and ministry of reconciliation. "All this is from God, who through Christ reconciled us to God's self and gave us the ministry of reconciliation; that is, God was in Christ reconciling the world to God's self, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting to us the message of reconciliation. So we are ambassadors for Christ, God making God's appeal through us." (2 Corinthians 5:18-20a)

Leader and Congregation:

The Spirit of the Lord is upon you because the Lord has anointed you to bring good news to the afflicted; God has sent you to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and freedom to the prisoners; to proclaim the favorable year of the Lord.

Mitzi:

I renew my commitment to proclaim the Good News of Jesus Christ through word and deed and to shepherd those who are in need.

Congregation:

We recognize and celebrate the gifts that God has given you. We offer our blessing and support as you follow God's call, wherever that might lead. We pray that God will empower your ministry and keep your vision alive.

All:

Thanks be to God.

ORDINATION PRAYER

Robert Duncan

LAYING ON OF HANDS

The Congregation

PRESENTATION OF THE BIBLE

Oliver Lee

*HYMN No. 405, "We Are Called to Be God's People"

Austrian Hymn

*BENEDICTION

Joseph Gross

PIANO DISMISSAL

Jane Andrews

Our pianist this evening is Jane Andrews, a member of the Adult V Sunday School Department. Our worship leaders are Robin E. Sullens, pastoral counselor at the Pastoral Counseling and Education Center, Dallas; Mary Lovegren, a member of the Single Adult III Department; Eleanor Cozad Cherryholmes, director of vocations and admissions, Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary; Robert Duncan, chaplain coordinator, Baylor University Medical Center, Dallas; Oliver Lee, chairperson of the Board of Deacons; and Joseph Gross, director of pastoral care and counseling, Baylor University Medical Center, Dallas. The Chapel Choir is accompanied by Barbara Anderson, a member of the Chancel Choir Sunday School Class.

Cassette tapes of worship services are available by calling the church office.

^{*}The congregation will stand.