

## **Litany of Ordination**

Leader: [Name of Candidate], before God and this congregation we ask you: Do you believe in one God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, and do you confess Jesus Christ as your Lord and Savior?

*Candidate: I do.*

Leader: Are you persuaded that the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments convey the Word of God and are the unique and authoritative standards of the church's life, its worship, witness, teaching, and mission in the world?

*Candidate: I am so persuaded.*

Leader: Will you be diligent in understanding the faith to which the Church bears witness, and in proclaiming by word and action the truth of the Gospel as God gives you opportunity?

*Candidate: I will, the Lord being my helper.*

Leader: Do you believe in your heart that you are truly called by God in this sacred ministry, with all of its obligations and opportunities for the service of God and humankind?

*Candidate: In so far as I know my own heart, I do so believe.*

Leader: will you faithfully preach and teach the gospel, proclaiming forth the healing of God? Will you give faithful service to the people committed to your care: the poor, the bewildered and oppressed, for Christ's sake?

*Candidate: I will, the Lord being my helper.*

Leader: Will you endeavor to be a steadfast and prayerful disciple, daily following the rule and teaching of our Lord, to the end that your life and the lives you touch may be fashioned by the gospel?

*Candidate: I will, by the help of God.*

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