

Congregational Response

Leader: [Name of Church], you have heard [Name of Candidate] declare her faith and intention to serve in the ministry of the Gospel. The Ordination Council finds her to be of sound learning and godly life and asks you now to declare your assent to her ordination. Do you, members of this community of faith, acknowledge [Name of Candidate] as a minister of the gospel and affirm her gifts in ministry to God's people?

People: We do.

Leader: Will you encourage her and support her throughout her ministry, in her joys and sorrows, in her victories and her disappointments, pledging to her your prayerful interest and sensitive understanding?

People: We will.

Leader: In the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit,

All: Amen.

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