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Zion Evangelical Church

The Oldest of the German Evangelical Churches, East of the Mississippi River and in Illinois 117 West White Street, Millstadt, IL 62260

> Rev. Darrell Weber, Pastor Mr. Clark Ferry, Organist/Music Mrs. Patti French, Soloist

Ordination Service of William "Bill" Savering January 14th, 2024 - 3:00 p.m.

PRELUDES

A Note about today's service

In today's service, we hope to prayerfully honor the Christian Faith of the Forefathers of our German churches and our Evangelical Association. We stand in awe of their faithfulness to Our Lord and Savior. We will be using, in large part, the Orders of Worship from the German Evangelical Synod of North America and the Evangelical and Reformed Books of Worship.

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

(*) Congregation stands, if able

Ringing of the Church Bells

Trinitarian Declaration and Call to Order

Rev. James Barnes, Jr., Presiding Minister
National Minister, Evangelical Association of Christian Congregational
and Reformed Churches, St. Louis, MO

Prayer of Invocation

Rev. Dr. A. Mark Friz, Pastor Swiss Evangelical and Reformed Church, Swiss, MO

A Prayer for the Church Universal (E&R Book of Worship, Pg 13)

* Hymn of Praise

#11 "All Creatures of Our God and King" (Stanzas 1,3, &5)

* Prayer of Confession

Rev. Dr. Jeffrey Willey, Pastor, Femme Osage UCC, Femme Osage, MO
The Minister and Congregation shall say,

ALMIGHTY and most merciful God our heavenly Father, We humble ourselves before Thee, Under a deep sense of our unworthiness and guilt. We have grievously sinned against Thee, In thought, in word, and in deed. We have come short of Thy glory. We have broken Thy commandments, and turned aside every one of us from the way of life. Yet now, O most merciful Father, Hear us when we call upon Thee with penitent hearts; And for the sake of Thy Son, Jesus Christ, Have mercy, upon us. Pardon our sin, Take away our guilt; And grant us Thy peace. Purify us, by the inspiration of Thy Holy Spirit, from all inward uncleanness; And make us able and willing to serve Thee in newness of life, To the glory of Thy Holy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

(E&R Book of Worship, 1947, Pgs 8-9)

Assurance of Forgiveness from God's Word

* Hymn of Thanksgiving

#249 "Jesus Paid It All" (Stanzas 1,3 &4)

Service of Prayer

Rev. John Roberts, Sr. Pastor, Eden Church Edwardsville, IL

WORDS OF EXHORTATION and ENCOURAGEMENT RECOGNITION OF CHURCHES PRESENT INTERCESSORY PRAYER

(E&R Book of Worship, 1947, Pg 316)

* Statement of Faith Apostle's Creed

Rev. John Roberts, Sr. Pastor, Eden Church Edwardsville, IL I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of Heaven and Earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only begotten Son, our Lord: who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary; suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into Heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit; the One Holy Universal Christian Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life

everlasting. Amen.

Service of God's Word

Mr. David Woehlke

Old Testament: Jeremiah 23:28-29 (page 672)

Gospel: John 21:15-17 (page 946) Epistle: 2 Timothy 4:2-5 (page 1039)

Special Music

Mrs. Patti French
"Let It Be Said of Us" (#597)

The Message from God's Word - Text: 2 Timothy 4:2-5

Rev. Darrell Weber, Pastor, Zion Evangelical Church Millstadt, IL

Service of Ordination

Rev. James Barnes, Jr., National Minister of the Evangelical Association

ORDER OF ORDINATION

GREETING

PRAYER

THE CHARGE (Includes all aforementioned clergy and Rev. Dr. Rick Mortimer, Pastor Friedens UCC, Warrenton, MO and Pastor Dean below)

VOWS

LAYING ON OF HANDS

RIGHT HAND OF FELLOWSHIP

PRAYER

(All the above from the Evangelical Book of Worship, 1916, Pgs. 220-227)

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Pastor Dean Klossner, Pastor Zion - Pershing, MO & St. James - Morrison, MO 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil; for Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

Service of Commitment

*COMMITMENT HYMN

"Be Thou My Vision"

#83

*BENEDICTION

Numbers 6:24-26

Rev. Bill Savering

*SUNG BENEDICTION

"A Germanic Blessing/Edelweiss Benediction"

To the Tune of Edelweiss

May the Lord, Mighty God, Bless and Keep you Forever, Grant you Peace, Perfect Peace, Strength for Every Endeavor. Lift Up Your Eyes and See His Face, Feel His Grace Forever. May the Lord Mighty God, Bless and Keep you Forever.

*POSTLUDES

Thank Yous:

Bill would like to take the opportunity to Thank, foremost, God Almighty for granting him Grace and standing fast by my side. Bill would be remiss to not mention in proper order, his wonderful wife, Barbara who showers me with love - even when I don't deserve It ... much like God's grace. You are my most prized on all the earth.

There are so many others in my life I wish were here today and to name a few: My Dad, Rev. John C. Riggs, my father-in-law, and my grandparents who have each gone to their reward. Also, my kids, my mom and siblings, each out of state, but hopefully watching remotely.

I especially want to thank <u>ALL</u> of you here at Zion. You're an amazing bunch. Barbara and I are deeply appreciative of each of you and that God put us in your midst. There are also friends and family at Zoar and those that have left Zion that we miss. Thank you for all you do and have done for us.

Finally, to those who directly participated in today's service. Your being here on this special day means more than you'll ever know. Your encouragement, prayers, friendship, mentorship and wise counsel is greatly appreciated and coveted. A special thanks to Darrell Weber for always pushing me out of my comfort zone as well as being a great friend and mentor. And Dave, Clark and Patti wooing us all to Christ.

Please Allow me to thank each of you ...

Join us afterwards downstairs for refreshments and a light meal. Thank you to Sisters-in-Faith for putting it together. May the Good Lord bless us, one and all.

