**Celebration of New Ministry – Name of Clergy**

**Church Name - Location  
Date – Time of Service | Contact Number**

**PRELUDE:\*Insert Here\***

**PROCESSIONAL HYMN:** **\*Insert Here\***

**OPENING ACCLAMATION:**

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| Bishop: | Blessed be the one, holy and living God. |
| **People:** | **Glory to God forever and ever.** |

*The Bishop continues*

Bishop: There is one Body and one Spirit;

**People: There is one hope in God’s call to us;**

Bishop: One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;

**People: One God, Creator of all.**

Bishop: The Lord be with you

**People: And also with you**

Bishop: Let us pray

O God of unchangeable power and eternal light: Look favorably on your whole Church, that wonderful and sacred mystery; by the effectual working of your providence, carry out in tranquility the plan of salvation; let the whole world see and know that things which were being cast down are being raised up, and things which had grown old are being made new, and that all things are being brought to their perfection by him through whom all things were made, your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

*The Bishop states the purpose of the gathering; and concludes:*

Bishop: People of \*INSERT CHURCH NAME\*, you have reflected on your ministry and discerned your choice for a new \*INSERT ROLE/TITLE\*.

**Wardens: We have chosen the *N.* be our**  \*INSERT ROLE/TITLE\* **and she has accepted.**

Bishop: I commend your choice and affirm this call.

*The Letter of Institution is read. The Bishop continues*

Bishop: Are you, the people of \*INSERT CHURCH NAME\*, ready to continue in your ministry, with ***N.*** as your priest?

**People We are.**

*The Wardens escort the Priest from the nave to the front of the assembly.*

*A representative Lector presents a Bible and says:*

Lector: ***N.,*** with the Bible we proclaim and hear God’s living word. Join us in the ministry of telling the Good News to the World.

\*INSERT ROLE/  
TITLE\*: Amen. Let us hear again the Good News of salvation.

**THE WORD OF GOD**

*(all are seated)*

**First Lesson**

Job 42:1-6, 10-17

Job answered the Lord:

“I know that you can do all things,  
and that no purpose of yours can be thwarted.

‘Who is this that hides counsel without knowledge?’

Therefore I have uttered what I did not understand,  
things too wonderful for me, which I did not know.

‘Hear, and I will speak;  
I will question you, and you declare to me.’

I had heard of you by the hearing of the ear,  
but now my eye sees you;

therefore I despise myself,  
and repent in dust and ashes.”

And the Lord restored the fortunes of Job when he had prayed for his friends; and the Lord gave Job twice as much as he had before. Then there came to him all his brothers and sisters and all who had known him before, and they ate bread with him in his house; they showed him sympathy and comforted him for all the evil that the Lord had brought upon him; and each of them gave him a piece of money and a gold ring. The Lord blessed the latter days of Job more than his beginning; and he had fourteen thousand sheep, six thousand camels, a thousand yoke of oxen, and a thousand donkeys. He also had seven sons and three daughters. He named the first Jemimah, the second Keziah, and the third Keren-happuch. In all the land there were no women so beautiful as Job’s daughters; and their father gave them an inheritance along with their brothers. After this Job lived for one hundred and forty years, and saw his children, and his children’s children, four generations. And Job died, old and full of days.

*After the reading, the Lector will say:*

Lector: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the God’s People.

People: Thanks be to God.

**PSALM** Psalm 34:1-8, (19-22) *Benedicam Dominum*

1 I will bless the Lord at all times; \*   
his praise shall ever be in my mouth.

2 I will glory in the Lord; \*   
let the humble hear and rejoice.

3 Proclaim with me the greatness of the Lord; \*   
let us exalt his Name together.

4 I sought the Lord, and he answered me \*   
and delivered me out of all my terror.

5 Look upon him and be radiant, \*   
and let not your faces be ashamed.

6 I called in my affliction and the Lord heard me \*   
and saved me from all my troubles.

7 The angel of the Lord encompasses those who fear him, \*   
and he will deliver them.

8 Taste and see that the Lord is good; \*   
happy are they who trust in him!

19 [Many are the troubles of the righteous, \*   
but the Lord will deliver him out of them all.

20 He will keep safe all his bones; \*   
not one of them shall be broken.

21 Evil shall slay the wicked, \*   
and those who hate the righteous will be punished.

22 The Lord ransoms the life of his servants, \*   
and none will be punished who trust in him.]

**THE EPISTLE**

### Hebrews 7:23-28

The former priests were many in number, because they were prevented by death from continuing in office; but Jesus holds his priesthood permanently, because he continues forever. Consequently he is able for all time to save those who approach God through him, since he always lives to make intercession for them.

For it was fitting that we should have such a high priest, holy, blameless, undefiled, separated from sinners, and exalted above the heavens. Unlike the other high priests, he has no need to offer sacrifices day after day, first for his own sins, and then for those of the people; this he did once for all when he offered himself. For the law appoints as high priests those who are subject to weakness, but the word of the oath, which came later than the law, appoints a Son who has been made perfect forever.

*After the reading, the Lector will say:*

Lector: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

People: Thanks be to God.

**GOSPEL PROCESSION: \*HYMN OPTIONAL\*** *God Creator Source of Healing,* Abbot’s Leigh, VF 93

*(All stand as are able and remain standing for the Gospel lesson)*

**GOSPEL LESSON:** *Mark 4:35-41*

Reader: The Holy Gospel of Our Savior Jesus Christ according to Mark.

**People: Glory to you, O Christ.**

### *Mark 10:46-52*

Jesus and his disciples came to Jericho. As he and his disciples and a large crowd were leaving Jericho, Bartimaeus son of Timaeus, a blind beggar, was sitting by the roadside. When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout out and say, “Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!” Many sternly ordered him to be quiet, but he cried out even more loudly, “Son of David, have mercy on me!” Jesus stood still and said, “Call him here.” And they called the blind man, saying to him, “Take heart; get up, he is calling you.” So throwing off his cloak, he sprang up and came to Jesus. Then Jesus said to him, “What do you want me to do for you?” The blind man said to him, “My teacher, let me see again.” Jesus said to him, “Go; your faith has made you well.” Immediately he regained his sight and followed him on the way.

Reader: The Gospel of the Savior.

**People: Praise to you, O Christ.**

**Sermon *The Rt. Rev. Diana Akiyama, Bishop of Oregon***

*After the sermon, a brief silence is kept*

**RENEWAL OF BAPTISMAL VOWS**

Bishop: Beloved people of \*INSERT CHURCH NAME\*, in Holy Baptism we received full adoption through God’s grace and full empowerment for ministry through the Holy Spirit. Will you work together as partners in the mission of the Church, to reconcile all people to God through Christ?

**People: We will, with God’s help.**

Bishop: The water of baptism signifies the eternal covenant with God. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit. Therefore, in joyful obedience to Christ, we bring into his fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

*The Bishop blesses the water*

Bishop: We pray you, O God, sanctify this water by the power of your Holy Spirit, that all who in baptism are cleansed from sin and born again may continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Savior.

\*INSERT ROLE

/TITLE\*: Let us renew the solemn promises and vows of Holy Baptism, by which we renounce Satan and all his works, and promise to serve God faithfully, in God’s holy catholic Church.

*Water is poured into the font and the Bishop leads the renewal of baptismal vows.*

Bishop: Do you reaffirm your renunciation of evil and renew your commitment to Jesus Christ?

**People: I do.**

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| Bishop: | Do you believe in God the Father? | |
| **People:** | **I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.** | |
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| Bishop: | Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God? | |
| **People:** | **I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,     He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit         and born of the Virgin Mary.     He suffered under Pontius Pilate,         was crucified, died, and was buried.     He descended to the dead.     On the third day he rose again.     He ascended into heaven,         and is seated at the right hand of the Father.     He will come again to judge the living and the dead.** | |
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| Bishop: | Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit? | |
| **People:** | **I believe in the Holy Spirit,     the holy catholic Church,     the communion of saints,     the forgiveness of sins,     the resurrection of the body,     and the life everlasting.** | |
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| Bishop: | Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of the bread, and in the prayers? | |
| **People** | **I will, with God's help.** | |
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| Bishop: | Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin,  repent and return to the Lord? |
| **People** | **I will, with God's help.** | |
| Bishop: | Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ? | |
| **People** | **I will, with God's help.** | |
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| Bishop: | Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself? | |
| **People** | **I will, with God's help.** | |
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| Bishop: | Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being? | |
| **People** | **I will, with God's help.** | |

Bishop: May Almighty God, who has given us a new birth by water and the Holy

Spirit, bestowed upon us the forgiveness of sins, and called us to ministry

in Jesus Christ, keep us in eternal life by his grace; through Christ our

Lord. Amen.

**ASPERGES HYMN: \*OPTIONAL\***

*(During the hymn the congregation will be sprinkled with consecrated water)*

**THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

*A symbol of prayer is brought forward by an Intercessor from the congregation.*

***N.***, with this Book we offer our prayers, intercessions and thankgivings to God.

\*INSERT ROLE/

TITLE: Amen. In the Spirit of God, who searches the heart and knows our deepest needs, let us pray for the Church, the world, and all who yearn for Christ’s healing.

*Intercessor leads the Litany for the Mission of the Church* OR *Another Form of Prayers of the People.  
  
People may stand or kneel.*

Holy God, in whom all things in heaven and earth have their being,

***Have mercy on us.***

Jesus the Christ, through whom the world is reconciled to the Father,

***Have mercy on us.***

Holy Spirit, whose glory fill the world and searches the depths of God,

***Have mercy on us.***

Blessed Trinity, source of both our unity and diversity,

***Have mercy on us.***

From blind hearts and petty spirits, that refuse to see the need of all humankind for your love,

***Savior, deliver us.***

From pride, self-sufficiency and the unwillingness to admit our own need of your compassion,

***Savior, deliver us.***

From discouragement in the face of pain and disappointment, and from lack of persistence and thoroughness,

***Savior, deliver us.***

From ignorance, apathy, and complacency that prevent us from spreading the Gospel,

***Savior, deliver us.***

O God we pray for the gifts of ministry. Inspire our minds with a vision of your kingdom at hand in this time and place.

***Hear us, O Christ.***

Touch our eyes, that we may see your glory in all creation.

***Hear us, O Christ.***

Touch our ears, that we may hear from every mouth the hunger for hope and stories of refreshment.

***Hear us, O Christ.***

Touch our lips, that we may tell in every tongue and dialect the wonderful works of God.

***Hear us, O Christ.***

Touch our hearts, that we may discern the mission to which you call us.

***Hear us, O Christ.***

Touch our feet, that we may take your Good News into our neighborhoods, communities, and all parts of the world.

***Hear us, O Christ.***

Touch our hands, that we may each accomplish the work you give each of us to do.

***Hear us, O Christ.***

Strengthen and encourage all who minister in your name in lonely, dangerous and unresponsive places.

***Hear us, O Christ.***

Open the hearts and hands of many to support your Church in this and every place.

***Hear us, O Christ.***

*The Bishop concludes*:

Bishop: Christ Jesus, most holy and blessed. You go before us and behind us; you are our light and our shield. Guide our path, we pray. Be our clear vision and lift us up to your saving joy. Bless the work of this parish that we offer in your name and for your honor; for you are Lord of all and source of our life made new. *Amen.*

*A purple stole and a flask of oil for healing are presented by a representative Lay Eucharistic Visitor*

***N.***, with prayer, companionship and laying-on of hands we bring the reconciling presence of Christ to those who seek healing. Join us in this ministry by calling us to repentance and assuring us of God’s forgiveness and love.

\*INSERT ROLE/

TITLE: Amen. Live without fear; your Creator has made you holy, loves you eternally, and reconciles you to one another.

**THE PEACE** *(All stand as are able)*

\*INSERT ROLE/

TITLE: The peace of Christ be always with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Bishop: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**People: And also with you.**

**THE HOLY COMMUNION**

*Representatives of the congregation bring forward the bread and wine and present them to the \*INSERT ROLE/TITLE\**

***N.***, when we share the bread and the cup, we proclaim the Lord’s death until he comes. Join us at God’s table to offer and bless these gifts of bread and wine.

\*INSERT ROLE/

TITLE: Amen. Together let us keep the feast.

**OFFERATORY SENTENCE \*OPTIONAL\***

**Bishop:** “I appeal to you therefore, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship.” *(Romans 12:1)*

**OFFERTORY**

**THE GREAT THANKSGIVING** *(all stand as are able)*

Bishop: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Bishop: Lift up your hearts.

**People: We lift them to the Lord.**

Bishop Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**People: It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Because in Jesus Christ our Lord you have received us as your sons and daughters, made us citizens of your kingdom, and given us the Holy Spirit to guide us into all truth.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

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*Bishop and People*

**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,**

**heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

*The people stand or kneel*

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

*Bishop and People*

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and forever. AMEN.

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray:

**OR**

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 trespasses,  
    as we forgive those  
        who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation,  
    but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom,  
    and the power, and the glory,  
    for ever and ever. Amen.

Our Father in heaven,  
    hallowed be your Name,  
    your kingdom come,  
    your will be done,  
        on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins  
    as we forgive those  
        who sin against us.  
Save us from the time of trial,  
    and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power,  
    and the glory are yours,  
    now and for ever. Amen.

**THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD**

*A period of silence is kept*

Bishop: Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us!

**People: Therefore, let us keep the feast!**

Bishop: These are the gifts of God, for the people of God. [Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and lives for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith with thanksgiving.]

**COMMUNION MUSIC**: **\*Insert Here\***

**POST-COMMUNION PRAYER**

Bishop:Let us pray.  
Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image and nourishing us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of Christ’s Body and Blood. Now send us forth a people, forgiven, healed, renewed; that we may proclaim your love to the world and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

**THE BLESSING OF THE CONGREGATION** *(all stand and remain standing)*

Bishop: We have celebrated this new pastoral relationship in the great prayer of the Church. ***N.***, I commend to your love and care the people of \*INSERT CHURCH NAME\*. My brothers and sisters in Christ, I commend to your love and care your new \*INSERT ROLE/TITLE\*, colleague and friend, ***N.***.

*Bishop offers the blessing*

**THE EPISCOPAL BLESSING**

Bishop: Our help is in the Name of the Lord;

**People: The maker of heaven and earth.**

Bishop: Blessed be the Name of the Lord.

**People: From this time forth for evermore.**

Bishop: The blessing, mercy, and grace of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you, and remain with you for ever. Amen.

**RECESSIONAL HYMN:** **\*Insert Here\***

**DISMISSAL**

Leader: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord!

**People:** **Thanks be to God!**

**POSTLUDE: \*Insert Here\***