Installation of Trinity Elders (9:00 and 11:00 a.m.)

Affirmation of baptismal vows

Trusting in the gracious mercy of God, do you turn from the way of sin and renounce evil and its power in the world? *I do.*

Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Lord and Savior, trusting in his grace and love? *I do.*

Will you be Christ's faithful disciples, obeying his Word and showing his love? *I will with God's help.*

Constitutional Questions to the Ruling Elders-elect:

- 1) Do you trust in Jesus Christ your Savior, acknowledge him Lord of all and Head of the Church, and through him believe in one God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit? *Do you?*
- 2) Do you accept the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments to be, by the Holy Spirit, the unique and authoritative witness to Jesus Christ in the Church universal, and God's Word to you? *Do you?*
- 3) Do you sincerely receive and adopt the essential tenets of the Reformed faith as expressed in the confessions of our church as authentic and reliable expositions of what Scripture leads us to believe and do, and will you be instructed and led by those confessions as you lead the people of God? *Do you and will you?*
- 4) Will you fulfill your ministry in obedience to Jesus Christ, under the authority of Scripture, and be continually guided by our confessions? *Will you?*
- 5) Will you be governed by our church's polity, and will you abide by its discipline? Will you be a friend among your colleagues in ministry, working with them, subject to the ordering of God's Word and Spirit? *Will you*?
- 6) Will you in your own life seek to follow the Lord Jesus Christ, love your neighbors, and work for the reconciliation of the world? *Will you*?
- 7) Do you promise to further the peace, unity, and purity of the church? *Do you?*
- 8) Will you pray for and seek to serve the people with energy, intelligence, imagination, and love? *Will you?*
- 9) Will you be a faithful ruling elder, watching over the people, providing for their worship, nurture, and service? Will you share in government and discipline, serving in councils of the church, and in your ministry will you try to show the love and justice of Jesus Christ? *Will you?*

Questions to the Congregation

- A) Do we, the members of the church, accept *Tim Foley, Natalie Hamm, Jennifer McGrail, and Maria Schneider* as ruling elders, chosen by God through the voice of this congregation to lead us in the way of Jesus Christ? Do you? *We do.*
- B) Do we agree to pray for them, to encourage them, to respect their decisions, and to follow as they guide us, serving Jesus Christ, who alone is Head of the Church? Do you? *We do.*

Unison Prayer

Gracious God, by water and the Spirit, you claimed us as your own, cleansed us from sin, and gave us new life. You made us members of your body, the Church, calling us to be your servants in the world. Uphold them, and daily increase in them their gifts for ministry. Send them forth in the power of your Spirit to love and serve you with joy, and to strive for justice and peace in all the earth. May we show them joy and thanksgiving as we welcome them into the leadership of this church to share with us in the ministry of Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.

Pastoral Charge to New Elders

You are now ordained and installed as a ruling elder, chosen to serve this congregation. Whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him. Amen.

(Ruling Elder Steve Hufford was installed on May 8).

We Give Thanks to Those Who Complete Their Session Terms

The church is thankful for the faithful service given by those elders who have completed their terms and rotate off the Session: Randy Benn, Cindy Bare, Diana Paulraj, Lisa Driskill, and Chloe Desautels.