

HERE I AM,
LORD.

WHERE ARE YOU CALLING ME?

The Installation of
The Rev. Daniel Joyner Miller

April 21, 2024 | 7 pm



St. John's Lutheran Church
Salisbury, NC



Welcome to St. John's

We're so glad God has brought you here!

Tonight is the installation of the Rev. Daniel Joyner Miller as the Senior Pastor of St. John's Lutheran Church. What a joy to welcome Pastor Dan along with his family and friends to tonight's service. We are also pleased to have Bishop Tim Smith of the North Carolina Synod of the ELCA preside this evening.

Please join us after the service for a light reception in Ritchie Hall.





Gathering

The Holy Spirit gathers us as the people of God

Prelude

Come Into God's Courts with Praise
The Luther Ringers; Kimberly Lentz, Director
Brass Quintet

by Michael Helman

Please stand and face the Cross

Call To Worship* (from Psalm 95)

Come, let us sing for joy to the LORD;
let us shout aloud to the Rock of our salvation.
Let us come before him with thanksgiving
and extol him with music and song.
We come to worship.

For the LORD is the great God,
the great King above all gods.
In his hand are the depths of the earth,
and the mountain peaks belong to him.
The sea is his, for he made it, and his hands formed the dry land.
We come to worship.

Come, let us bow down in worship,
let us kneel before the LORD our Maker;
for he is our God and we are the people of his pasture,
the flock under his care.
God, our creator and sustainer. We are yours and we worship you.

Entrance Hymn 521*

O Day of Rest and Gladness

ELLACOMBE

Apostolic Greeting*

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

Prayer of the Day*

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Let us pray. Almighty God, through your Son Jesus Christ you gave the holy apostles many gifts and commanded them to feed your flock. Inspire all pastors to proclaim your word diligently and your people to receive it willingly, that finally we may receive the crown of eternal glory; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

Please be seated



Word

We hear God's word in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

Reading: 1 Peter 5:1-4

Rev. Josh Musser Gritter
First Presbyterian, Salisbury

¹Now as an elder myself and a witness of the sufferings of Christ, as well as one who shares in the glory to be revealed, I exhort the elders among you ²to tend the flock of God that is in your charge, exercising the oversight, not under compulsion but willingly, as God would have you do it — not for sordid gain but eagerly. ³Do not lord it over those in your charge, but be examples to the flock. ⁴And when the chief shepherd appears, you will win the crown of glory that never fades away.

Word of God. Word of Life. **Thanks be to God!**

Response

King of My Heart
927 Worship Band

The Holy Gospel:*

John 21:15-17



¹⁵When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon son of John, do you love me more than these?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my lambs." ¹⁶A second time he said to him, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Tend my sheep." ¹⁷He said to him the third time, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" Peter felt hurt because he said to him the third time, "Do you love me?" And he said to him, "Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my sheep.

The Gospel of our Lord.



Sermon

Rev. Kendra Joyner Miller
Chaplain, Catawba College

Hymn 796*

How Firm a Foundation

FOUNDATION



Installation of a Pastor

The Rev. Ed Harper, Conference Dean of the North Carolina Synod, installs the pastor:

Having been authorized by the church to install *Rev. Daniel Joyner Miller*,
our co-worker in the gospel, as *Senior Pastor*,
I now ask for certification of this call.

*Mark Lewis, President of the St. John's Congregation Council, presents Pastor
Daniel Joyner Miller to the Conference Dean and to the congregation.*

After prayerful deliberation, we, of St. John's Lutheran Church, have called the
Rev. Daniel Joyner Miller as Senior Pastor of St. John's. I present him and this letter certifying the call.

Readings related to the ministry of Word and Sacrament

John 20:21-23 read by Pastor Lori Carter
Matthew 28:18-20 read by Pastor James Demmel
1 Timothy 4:12-16 read by Deacon, Rob Durocher

Pastor Daniel Joyner Miller, in the presence of this assembly
will you commit yourself to this new trust and responsibility,
in the confidence that it comes from God through the call of the church?
I will, and I ask God to help me.

Will you preach and teach in accordance with the holy scriptures
and with the confessions of the Lutheran church?
Will you carry out this ministry in harmony with the constitutions
of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America?
I will, and I ask God to help me.

Will you be diligent in your study of the holy scriptures
and faithful in your use of the means of grace?
I will, and I ask God to help me.

Trusting in God's care,
will you love, serve, and pray for God's people,
nourish them with the word and sacraments,
and lead them by your own example in faithful service and holy living?
I will, and I ask God to help me.

Will you give faithful witness in the world,
that God's love may be known in all that you do?
I will, and I ask God to help me.

Almighty God, who has given you the will to do these things,
graciously give you the strength and compassion to perform them.
Amen.

Please stand

Rev. Harper addresses the congregation.

People of God, will you receive Pastor Dan as a messenger of Jesus Christ sent to serve all people with the gospel of hope and salvation? Will you regard him as a servant of Christ and steward of the mysteries of God?

We will, and we ask God to help us.

Will you pray for him, help and honor him for his work's sake, and in all things strive to live together in the peace and unity of Christ?

We will, and we ask God to help us.

Rev. Harper addresses the pastor being installed.

Pastor Dan, the office of Senior Pastor is now committed to you in the name of the Father, and of the ✝ Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

The newly installed pastor kneels as Bishop Smith proclaims God's blessing.

The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, make you complete in everything good so that you may do God's will, working in you that which is pleasing in God's sight; through Jesus Christ, to whom be the glory forever and ever. **Amen.**

People of God, I present to you [Pastor] *Daniel Joyner Miller*, your *Senior Pastor*.
Let us welcome him in the name of Christ.

Prayers of Intercession* *Each petition ends: "God of grace, hear our prayer".*

Sharing the Peace of Christ: *We make peace with our sisters and brothers in Christ, sharing the words "Peace be with you."*

Collection of our Tithes and Offerings

Our offering this evening will provide scholarships for the Congregation Retreat on Sept. 13-15.



Meal

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

Offertory Anthem

The Old Hundredth Psalm Tune (Psalm 100)
Text by W. Kethe, Setting by R. Vaughn Williams

All people that on earth do dwell, sing to the Lord with cheerful voice;
Him serve with fear, His praise forth tell, come ye before Him, and rejoice.

The Lord, ye know, is God indeed, without our aid he did us make,
We are his folk, he doth us feed, and for his sheep he doth us take.

O enter then his gates with praise, approach with joy his courts unto;
Praise, laud, and bless his name always, for it is seemly so to do.

For why? the Lord our God is good: His mercy is forever sure;
His truth at all times firmly stood and shall from age to age endure.

The congregation is invited to stand and sing as the gifts are brought forward.

**To Father, Son and Holy Ghost, the God whom heaven and earth adore,
From men and from the angel host be praise and glory evermore. AMEN.**

Offertory Prayer

Risen One,
you call us to believe and bear fruit.
May the gifts that we offer here
be signs of your abiding love.
Form us to be your witnesses in the world,
through Jesus Christ, our true vine.
Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving*

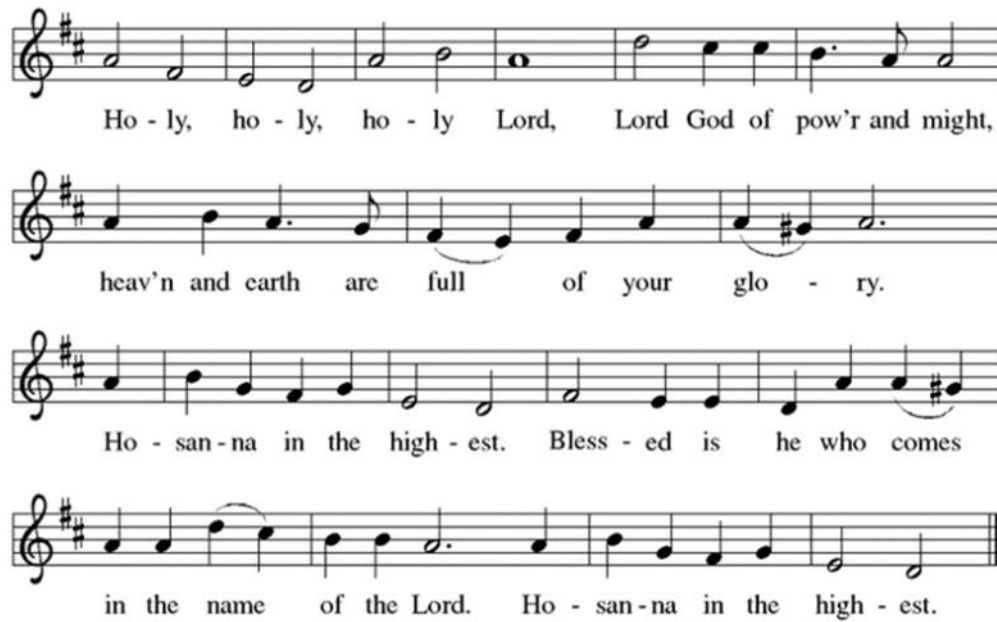
The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise.
... And join their unending hymn:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might,
 heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.
 Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes
 in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Eucharistic Prayer with Words of Institution*

The Lord's Prayer*

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, forever and ever. Amen.

Invitation to Communion*

The risen Christ is made known to us in the breaking of the bread. Come and eat at God's table.

Please be seated

Distribution of Holy Communion. *All baptized Christians are welcome to receive God's gift of grace through the sacrament of Holy Communion. We will commune by intinction (dipping the bread into the wine). All stations will be on the nave level. Please follow the directions of the ushers. For those with special needs, please note that grape juice as well as non-gluten wafers are available. Those with walking difficulties may receive the bread and wine by sitting in the reserved front pew or by notifying an usher. A pastor will then bring you communion during distribution.*

Communion Hymn

Lamb of God

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on
 us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have
 mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
 sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

Hymn 502

The King of Love My Shepherd Is

ST. COLUMBA

Worship Song

Cornerstone

My hope is built on nothing less
 Than Jesus' blood and righteousness
 I dare not trust the sweetest frame
 But wholly trust in Jesus' name

(Refrain)

*Christ alone, Cornerstone
 Weak made strong in the Savior's love
 Through the storm, He is Lord
 Lord of all*

When darkness seems to hide His face
 I rest on His unchanging grace
 In every high and stormy gale
 My anchor holds within the veil

(Refrain)

When He shall come with trumpet sound
 Oh, may I then in Him be found
 Dressed in His righteousness alone
 Faultless, stand before the throne

(Refrain)



Sending

Forgiven and nourished, we are now sent into the world to share God's love.

The Choral Benediction*

The Lord Bless You and Keep You

Setting by Peter Lutkin

The Lord bless you and keep you,
the Lord lift his countenance upon you; and give you peace,
The Lord make his face to shine upon you, and be gracious unto you.
Amen

Sending Hymn 880*

O God beyond all Praising

THAXTED

Dismissal*

Alleluia! Go in peace. Rejoice and be glad.
Thanks be to God! Alleluia!

Postlude

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Production Manager.....Taylor Hutchins.....ext. 2190
Director of Music *emeritus*.....Karl Kinard Jr., deacon

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Worship Participants

Order of St. John's:

Crucifer—Lilly Dangerfield
Banner Bearer—Gabriel Young

Brass Quintet:

Trumpets—Luke Boudreault, Steve Sutton
Horn—Tim Papenbrock
Trombones—Charlie Fisher and Aleksandr Witt

Timpani—Davis Brown



Let's connect faith and life. *Together.*