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Colonial Church
in Prairie Village

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February 28, 2016
2:30 p.m.

**The Colonial Church in Prairie Village—United Church of Christ
Service of Ordination for Shea Zellweger**

Please silence your electronic devices in preparation for worship.

* Please rise in body or spirit

Procession

Holiness

-Kern

Gathering and Announcements

* **Song of Praise page 4** *Take My Life and Let It Be*

Charge to the Ordinand

Rev. Aaron Roberts

2 Corinthians 12:9 "My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness."

John 13:34-35 "Love each other. Just as I have loved you, so you also must love each other. This is how everyone will know that you are my disciples, when you love each other."

Romans 12:9-11 Let love be genuine.

Love each other like the members of your family. Be the best at showing honor to each other. Don't hesitate to be enthusiastic - be on fire in the Spirit as you serve the Lord!

1 Timothy 4:14-16 Don't neglect the spiritual gift in you that was given through prophecy when the elders laid hands on you. Practice these things, and live by them so that your progress will be visible to all. Focus on working on your own development and on what you teach. If you do this, you will save yourself and those who hear you.

Presentation

Colonial Church Youth Group

Rev. Christopher Moore

Exhortation

Rev. Christopher Moore

Vows of Ordination

Dr. Edith Guffey
Rev. Christopher Moore

*** Acclamation**

Dr. Edith Guffey

Leader: People of God, you have heard the promises Shea has made.
What is your will?

People: By the grace of God, he is worthy! So say we all! Let us ordain him. Come, Holy Spirit.

Leader: Will you support Shea in the ministry of Christ?

People: We will.

*** Song of Praise #355 *God the Spirit, Guide and Guardian***

(sung to the tune of Nettleton #59)

*** Laying on of Hands**

Rev. Christopher Moore

Declaration and Gifts

Dr. Edith Guffey

We Receive Our Holy Meal Rev. Shea Zellweger

Communion Prayer

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to you, Lord.

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to praise you, Lord.

Leader: It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Holy God. From the rising of the sun to its setting your name is praised among all peoples. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with your people on Earth and all the company of heaven who forever sing this hymn to the glory of your name:

People: Holy, holy, holy God of love and majesty, the whole world speaks of your glory, O God Most High!

Consecration of the Bread and Cup

Sharing of the Bread and Cup

(Please come forward to receive the elements)

Prayer of Thanksgiving and response

**Eternal God, heavenly Father,
 you have graciously accepted us as living members
 of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,
 and you have fed us with spiritual food
 in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.
 Send us now into the world in peace,
 and grant us strength and courage
 to love and serve you
 with gladness and singleness of heart;
 through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

* **Benediction and Postlude** *Toccata in Seven*

-Rutter

Liturgist:	Paul Roberts
Videographer:	Geoff Robinson
Conference Minister:	Dr. Edith Guffey
Committee on Ministry Representative:	Rev. Christopher Moore
Worship Graphics Operator:	Miles Roberts

Take My Life and Let It Be

1 Take my life and let it be con - se - crat - ed,
 2 Take my hands and let them move at the im - pulse
 3 Take my voice and let me sing al - ways, on - ly,
 4 Take my sil - ver and my gold; not a mite would

Lord, to thee. Take my mo - ments and my days; let them
 of thy love. Take my feet and let them be swift and
 for my King. Take my lips and let them be filled with
 I with - hold. Take my in - tel - lect and use ev - ery

flow in end - less praise, let them flow in end - less praise.
 beau - ti - ful for thee, swift and beau - ti - ful for thee.
 mes - sag - es from thee, filled with mes - sag - es from thee.
 power as thou shalt choose, ev - ery power as thou shalt choose.

5 Take my will and make it thine;
 it shall be no longer mine.
 Take my heart—it is thine own;
 it shall be thy royal throne,
 it shall be thy royal throne.

6 Take my love; my Lord, I pour
 at thy feet its treasure store.
 Take myself, and I will be
 ever, only, all for thee,
 ever, only, all for thee.

Ordination FAQ

What is Ordination in the United Church of Christ?

Ordination is the rite whereby the United Church of Christ through an association, in cooperation with the person and a local church of the United Church of Christ, recognizes and authorizes that member whom God has called to ordained ministry, and sets that person apart by prayer and the laying on of hands.

By this rite ordained ministerial standing is conferred and authorization given to perform the duties and exercise the prerogatives of ordained ministry in the United Church of Christ.

What else does the United Church of Christ believe?

The United Church of Christ acknowledges as its sole head, Jesus Christ, Son of God and Savior. It acknowledges as kindred in Christ all who share in this confession.

It looks to the word of God in the scriptures, and to the presence and power of the Holy Spirit, to prosper its creative and redemptive work in the world. It claims as its own the faith of the historic church expressed in the ancient creeds and reclaimed in the basic insights of the Protestant reformers.

It affirms the responsibility of the church in each generation to make this faith its own in reality of worship, in honesty of thought and expression, and in purity of heart before God.

In accordance with the teaching of our Lord and the practice prevailing among evangelical Christians, it recognizes two sacraments: Baptism and ... Holy Communion.

The United Church of Christ recognizes that God calls the whole church and every member to participate in and extend the ministry of Jesus Christ by witnessing to the gospel in church and society. The United Church of Christ seeks to undergird the ministry of its members by nurturing faith, calling forth gifts, and equipping members for Christian service.

Why do we lay hands on the Ordinand?

The laying on of hands is the symbolic act whereby the church in every age recognizes God's call to ministry in the lives of faithful women and men and asks the Holy Spirit to confer on them gifts for ordained ministry.

Who can participate in the laying on of hands?

Anyone who is an authorized Christian minister (licensed, commissioned, ordained, member in discernment, or their equivalents in other denominations) is welcome to participate.

The United Church of Christ Ordained Minister's Code

The Ordained Ministry

- I believe that God calls the whole Church and every member to participate in and extend the ministry of Jesus Christ; that the privilege of witnessing to the gospel in Church and society belongs to every baptized Christian; that God empowers the ministry of the Church and its members by the Holy Spirit; that the Church nurtures faith, evokes gifts, and equips its members for service; and that God calls certain of the Church's members to various forms of ministry in and on behalf of the church.
- I have been called by God to be a minister of the Lord Jesus Christ and ordained by the United Church of Christ to preach and teach the gospel, to administer the sacraments and rites of the Church, and to exercise pastoral care and leadership.
- I will seek to witness to the ministry of Jesus Christ.
- I will preach and teach the gospel without fear or favor. I will speak the truth in love.
- I will administer the sacraments and rites of the Church with integrity.
- I will diligently perform the work of ministry which I have agreed to perform.

Partnership in Ministry

- I will nurture and offer my gifts for ministry to the Church. I will seek to call forth and nurture the gifts of others in the Church and join their gifts with mine for the sake of the mission of Jesus Christ and the health of the Church.
- I will seek to understand, support and interpret the diverse ministries of the Church and its members as carried out throughout the world. I will stand with those who risk personal well being because of actions taken in response to their Christian convictions.
- I will work cooperatively and collegially with those whom I serve in the particular ministry to which I have been called.
- I will stand in a supportive relationship with my colleagues in ordained, commissioned, and licensed ministry, offering and receiving counsel and support in times of need.
- I will be an advocate for fair standards of compensation for all ordained and lay employees of the church, particularly in the place where I serve.
- I will be a responsible participant in the life and work of my Association, Conference, and the United Church of Christ.
- I will be a responsible representative of the Church Universal and participate in those activities which strengthen its unity, witness and mission. I will seek the counsel of the Conference or Association Minister or the Association Committee

on the Ministry should divisive tensions threaten my relationship with those with whom I minister.

The Ethics of Ministry

- I will regard all persons with equal respect and concern and undertake to minister impartially.
- I will honor all confidences shared with me.
- I will not use my position, power, or authority to exploit any person.
- I will not use my position for personal financial gain, nor will I misuse the finances of the institution which I serve.
- I will not perform pastoral services within a parish or for a member of a parish without the consent of the pastor of that parish.
- I will deal honorably with the record of my predecessor and successor.
- I will not, upon my termination and departure from a ministry position, interfere with nor intrude upon the ministry of my successor.

Growth in Ministry

- I will encourage and participate in the regular evaluation of my ministry.
- I will seek to grow in faith, knowledge and the practice of ministry through intentional continuing education, study and devotional life.
- I will cooperate with my Association in the periodic review of my ordained ministerial standing.

Commitments to Self and Family

- I will live a life which honors my commitments to my family.
- I will honor my need for time for physical and spiritual renewal, recreation and vacation.
- I will honor my family's need for privacy and time together.
- I will be a responsible steward of my personal and family finances. I will honor and accept responsibility for all debts which I incur.
- I will attend to my physical well being and avoid abusive behaviors and abusive use of substances.
- Relying on the grace of God, I will lead a life worthy of the calling to which I have been called.