



Association of Roman Catholic Women Priests

LITURGY OF ORDINATION

Ordination to Priesthood

Jill Striebinger

Ordaining Bishop

Bridget Mary Meehan

**Fripp Island All Faiths Chapel
205 Tarpoon Boulevard
Fripp Island, SC 29920**

**August 15, 2021
2:30 PM EDT**

PROCESSION

Processional Order:

Candle Bearers: Susan Madison and Reiki Master Ifetayo White

Gospel Book Bearer: Eric Novoa, II

Stole Bearer: Susan Goodine

Prostration Cloth Bearer: Michelle Trudel

Clergy Friends

ARCWP Deacons

ARCWP Priests

Ordinand to Priesthood: Jill Striebinger

Bishop's Assistant: Kathryn Shea

Bishop: Bridget Mary Meehan

WELCOME

MT: Good afternoon. My name is Mary Theresa Streck and I am a Roman Catholic Woman Priest from Albany, New York. I have the privilege of being a member of the Pastoral Team of the Upper Room Inclusive Catholic Community. Today I will lead you through the ceremony.

An ordination is a holy ceremony. We are requesting that you please silence your cell phones now.

We, the Association of Roman Catholic Women Priests, welcome you to the public ordination of Jill Striebinger as priest.

We gather together on this journey of Good News for those who long for the fullness of the Body of Christ for the life of the world.

Historical and archaeological evidence reveals that women and men served as deacons, priests and bishops during the first twelve hundred years of the church's history.

In the ordination of deacons and priests, we continue in the renewal of our first Christian traditions. We celebrate the fact that Jesus invited women as well as men to become leaders in building the kin-dom and sent the Spirit, Wisdom-Sophia, to dwell with us and lead us forward in being Church.

We celebrate with joy the indwelling of our God among us. Our liturgical style is inclusive, which is expressed in several ways. We include female biblical images of God. You are invited to participate in the words of consecration and the doxology leading to the Great Amen. Our Eucharistic Table is open to all.

Our presiding Bishop is Bridget Mary Meehan. Bridget Mary is a member of the Pastoral Team at Mary, Mother of Jesus Inclusive Catholic Community.

We thank Jan Spencer who will lead us in music for this joyous celebration.

We now welcome Bishop Bridget Mary who, as presiding Bishop, gathers us as the universal church. Please stand for our opening song.

Jan will announce songs and artists.

Opening Song: I Am Light by India Arie Simpson, Sung by Jan Spencer

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**I am light, I am light
I am light, I am light
I am light, I am light
I am light, I am light**

**I am not the things my family did
I am not the voices in my head
I am not the pieces of the brokenness inside**

**I am light
I am light
I am light, I am light
I am light, I am light
I am light, I am light**

**I'm not the mistakes that I have made
Or any of the things that caused me pain
I am not the pieces of the dream I left behind**

**I am light
I am light
I am light**

**I, I am light
I am light, I am light
Ay-yeah
I am light, I am light**

**I am not the colour of my eyes
I am not the skin on the outside
I am not my age
I am not my race, my soul inside is all light
All light
All light, yeah
All light**

**I am light, I am light
I am light, I am light, yeah**

**I am devinity defined
I am the god on the inside
I am a star
A piece of it all
I am light**

OPENING PRAYER

**Bishop: We gather joyfully for this ordination and we begin in the name of God,
Source of all Being, Eternal Word and Holy Spirit,**

All: Amen.

Bishop: Our God is with you.

All: And also with you.

Bishop: Let us pray: Loving God, Jesus, our brother, taught the disciples not to be served but to serve. We pray for this ordinand that she may serve her sisters and brothers. May she be effective in her work and persevering in her prayer, performing her ministry with compassion and concern for all.

All: Amen.

MT: Please be seated.

PRESENTATION of CANDIDATE FOR PRIESTHOOD

MT: Program Companion, Diane Dougherty, will present the candidate for priesthood on behalf of the assembled community and the Association of Roman Catholic Women Priests.

Diane: Jill Striebinger.

Jill: Here I am. I am ready.

Diane: Dear Bishop, the holy Church asks you to ordain our sister, Jill, to the priesthood.

Bishop: Do you know if she is worthy?

Diane: Those responsible have been asked. They testify that they find her worthy. I will give witness and represent the church, the Body of Christ, as we present Jill for ordination.

Bishop returns to her chair.

The Witness speaks.

Bishop stands

Bishop: In the name of Jesus, we choose you, Jill, as our priest.

All: Thanks be to God.

MT: Let us signify our approval by singing "Amen."

Jan sings Amen. Amen. Jester Hairston. 1957 Schumann Music All Rights Reserved. Used by Permission

LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading: (Michelle Trudel) Truly Our Sister, by Elizabeth A. Johnson, p. 112
Lived out within the constraints of first century patriarchal society, [Mary's] life with its concrete details in no way functions as a culturally normative for women's lives today, lives racing along a world she never dreamed of. But the memory of her partnership with God through the power of the Spirit can create liberating energies for justice, especially given her low estate as poor and female. In all her difference, Miriam of Nazareth abides in the circle of disciples as our sister, a poor woman of the people whom God has done great things; a young Spirit-filled Jewish woman finding her joy in God; a woman vulnerable to violence in a patriarchal setting; a friend of God who made her own difficult choices with courage; a prophet whose word announced the awesome changes God's coming would bring about in this world; a God-bearer who had divinity dancing under her heart in developing human flesh; a married woman whose husband toiled

hard to provide for their family; a woman with a questioning mind who pondered what God was doing in the midst of her life; a mother of the itinerant preacher Jesus, terribly worried about his ministry, a middle-aged woman whose agonized grief over the public execution of her first born connects her with legions of bereaved women; an elder in the budding community of the church. She kept faith. We remember her. We connect her story with our own...

Second Reading: (Diane Britton Dunham) Truly Our Sister, by Elizabeth A. Johnson, p. 113

The wager I am making, ...is that interpreting Mary in relationship to the Spirit as a graced, concrete historical person amid the company of saints in heaven and on earth crafts a theology capable of promoting action on behalf of global justice and liberation, particularly empowering to the flourishing of women, coherent with elements of biblical, classical, and conciliar teaching, and productive of religious sense for our time.

Alleluia - Sung by Jan Spencer

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Gospel: (Jill) A Reading from the Gospel of Luke (1: 27-29, 34-38, 39-56)

The angel said to Mary, “Rejoice, highly favored one, God is with you! Blessed are you among women. Mary was deeply troubled by these words and wondered what these words meant. The Angel went on to say to her, “Don’t be afraid, Mary. You have found favor with God. You will conceive and bear a son, and name him, Jesus. . .

Mary said to the angel, “How can this be, since I have never been with a man.”

The angel answered her;

“The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and God will overshadow you - hence, the offspring in your womb will be called the Holy One of God. Know too, that Elizabeth, your cousin, has conceived a child in her old age. She who was thought to be infertile is now in her sixth month. Nothing is impossible with God.”

Mary said, “Yes, let it be so, as you say.

Within a few days, Mary set out and hurried to the hill country to a town of Judah where she entered Zechariah and Elizabeth’s home.

As soon as Elizabeth heard Mary’s greeting, the baby leaped in her womb and Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit. In a loud voice, Elizabeth exclaimed, “Blessed are you among women and blessed is the fruit of your womb. The moment your greeting reached my ears, the child in my womb danced for joy. Blessed is she who believed that what our God said to her would be accomplished!”

Mary prayed:

**“My soul proclaims your wondrous love, O God,
and my Spirit rejoices in you.**

For you have done great things for me,

and Holy is your name.

Your compassion reaches from age to age on those who love you.

**You have removed oppressors from their thrones,
and raised the little ones to high places.**

**You have filled the needy with good things,
and sent the greedy away empty.**

**You have blessed your people, mindful of your love,
keeping the promise you have made to our ancestors-
to Sarah and Abraham, and to all of us.”**

Mary stayed with Elizabeth about three months and then returned home.

**These are the inspired words from the Gospel of Luke and we affirm them by saying, thanks be to
God. (*Adapted by Bridget Mary from The Inclusive Bible*)**

Homily: Bridget Mary Meehan and Jill Striebinger

ORDINATION RITE

MC: As the People of God gathered in hope and love, we now invoke the Spirit of God within this woman called to serve as priest, and within us all.

Everyone is seated.

Hymn to the Holy Spirit: *Veni Sancte Spiritus* (Come Holy Spirit)
Sung by Jan Spencer and Eric Novoa, II

Veni Sancte Spiritus Text: *Come Holy Spirit*; Verses drawn from the Pentecost Sequence; Taizé Community, 1978
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Examination of Candidate for Priesthood

MC: We invite Jill and the community representatives, Rabbi TZiPi Radonsky and Ifetayo (E-Fay-ti-o) White to come forward.

*The candidate comes forward, stands in the center and faces the assembly.
The Bishop moves to the front of the assembly and turns to face the candidate.
The selected Representatives of the assembly move to the microphone.*

Bishop: My dear sister, before you receive the Order of Priest, you are asked to proclaim before this assembly, that you willingly take on this office and ministry. So, I ask you: Are you resolved to be ordained for priestly ministry in the church by the laying-on-of our hands and the gift the Holy Spirit?

Ordinand: I am.

Representative of Community – TZiPi Radonsky: Are you ready to fulfill the office of priest faithfully and serve the people of God?

Ordinand: I am.

Bishop: Are you ready to celebrate the mysteries of Christ faithfully as has been handed down to us, for the glory of God and the flourishing of grace among God's people?

Ordinand: I am.

Representative of Community – Ifetayo White: Are you ready to live the ministry of the word worthily and wisely, preaching the Gospel and teaching the faith of Jesus and our church?

Ordinand: I am.

Bishop: Are you ready to consecrate your life to God's holy work with all of creation and to unite yourself closely to the Christ who lived and taught us justice in the beatitudes and in the works of mercy?

Ordinand: I am, with the help of God.

Bishop: May God complete the good work already begun in you.

All: Amen.

Ordinand for the priesthood returns to her seat.

Litany of Saints and Prostration of Candidate

Before the Litany begins, the Bishop's chair is moved to the side so that prostration takes place before the altar, not the Bishop.

MC: We invite Susan Goodine and Michelle Trudel to lay the prostration cloth in the center aisle.

MC: We now invite Jill to prostrate while the litany of saints is sung. The prostration is an act of loving surrender to God. We call upon those who have gone before us in the communion of saints, our friends, the prophets of God, and all holy women and men.

Bishop: In gratitude, we pray to our loving God who grants abundant grace and blessings to this woman, called to be a priest.

The candidate lays prostrate on her cloth.

Litany of Saints – sung by Jan Spencer

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All you holy men and women, pray for us

**Mary and Joseph, pray for us
Eric and all angels, pray for us
Michele and Adele, pray for us
Mary of Magdala, pray for us**

**Brigid and Tecla, pray for us
Joan and Letetia, pray for us (Le ti sha)
Orlando and Christine, pray for us (Or lahn doe)
Theresa of Avila, pray for us**

All you holy men and women, pray for us

**Cosette and Miriam, pray for us
Joseph and Margaret, pray for us
Jael and John Paul, pray for us
Catherine of Siena, pray for us**

**Frances and Tita, pray for us
David and Rosemary, pray for us
Ruth and Joan, pray for us
Julian of Norwich, pray for us**

All you holy men and women, pray for us

**Ester and Judith, pray for us
Zipporah and John, pray for us
Russell and Gina, pray for us
Hildegard of Bingen, pray for us**

**Ronnie and Margie, pray for us
Mikao and Harriot, pray for us (Mi kay oh)
Sally and Susan, pray for us
Thea Bowman, pray for us**

All you holy men and women, pray for us

At the end of the Litany of Saints:

Bishop: Let us pray: Gracious and Loving God, You hear our prayers and those of your angels and saints. You pour out upon this woman the blessing of your wisdom and the grace and integrity of the order of priest. As we approach the moment of ordination, hold her close to you with your unfailing love. You are with us now and always.

All: Amen.

MC: We invite the ordinand to rise and come forward to the chair for the laying-on-of hands.

Laying-On-of-Hands for Priest

MC: We come to the most sacred moment of the ordination rite, the laying-on-of hands for the priest, which we celebrate in reverent silence. The gesture is the prayer and there are no words spoken.

No Music

The Bishop moves to her place for the laying-on-of hands.

The Bishop lays hands on the candidate.

The Bishop returns to her chair.

MC: You, The People of God, the Body of Christ, are invited to come forward and pray in silence to continue this sacred action of laying hands on this chosen woman. The ushers will direct you to come forward individually or in groups.

Ushers assists the Assembly in their procession for the laying on of hands. Assembly moves behind the ordinand.

Instrumental Music is played during this time.

When the last person has laid hands on ordinand, the newly ordained priest remains seated.

Prayer of Consecration for Priest

MC: Our bishop will now pray a prayer of consecration for our newly ordained priest.

Bishop: Loving and gracious God, you are ever present to us. Your Spirit, Your Breath of Life indwelling with us, is the source of every blessing ensuring our growth and stability.

In communion with the saints, with your friends, your prophets and our ancestors, your presence is within all of creation. You support us with your gifts of wisdom and patterns of order. You called forth leaders to serve and guide your priestly people.

The numbers of leaders grew and their ministry was recognized by sacred rites. In the desert, you extended Your Spirit through Moses, to Aaron, Miriam and all the holy women and men of Israel.

You called seventy wise people to help them lead an exiled community from slavery to freedom. Among the children of Aaron and of Miriam, you shared the fullness of your power. You provided worthy leaders in sufficient number for the increasing rites of worship.

With the same loving care, you beckoned women and men for later generations to serve with Jesus' disciples. They continued his work of healing and teaching. They loved and supported one another, became advocates for justice and prophets of peace. They preached the Gospel to the whole world.

Loving God, you give this woman the graces of the priesthood. You renew within her the spirit of holiness. You give her strength, wisdom and the gifts of your Spirit.

Together with the people of God, You inspire and bless her as she responds to your call in loving service.

Bishop stretches out her hands over the priest and invites all to do the same.

I now invite you, the assembly, to join me in extending your hands over this woman as we embrace the Spirit in her and in all.

God's Spirit strengthens you to carry out your ministry faithfully.

God's Spirit calls you to heal and reconcile

God's Spirit guides you in your work for justice and peace for all.

God's Spirit enlivens you in prophetic and liberating obedience.

Together, we are one in Christ, loving and serving as God's holy people.

All: Amen.

The Bishop is seated. The Newly Ordained stands in front of the assembly for investiture.

Investiture

MC: We invite Susan Goodine and Michelle Trudel, to come forward and represent us all by vesting this newly ordained priest for priestly ministry in her chasuble and stole.

Anointing of Hands

MC: The hands of our newly ordained priest will now be anointed for priestly service. Eric, please come forward with the oil.

Eric Novoa, II brings chrism to the Bishop.

The Bishop moves to the newly ordained and anoints saying:

Bishop: God anointed Jesus, the Christ, through the indwelling of the Spirit. May Jesus work through you to bless the People of God and to offer table friendship and unity.

Towels are brought to the Bishop and Priest to wipe their hands.

The Bishop and Priest move to the center and before the Assembly.

Bishop: It is with great joy, that I present to you our new priest.

Applause.

During the applause, the Usher directs those chosen to go to the back of assembly to prepare for procession of gifts.

The Bishop and the New Priest exchange the Kiss of Peace

Bishop and newly ordained priest go to center of assembly for presentation of gifts

Preparation of Table for Eucharist

Procession of Gifts: Bread, Wine, cup and plate

Diane Britton Dunham and Susan Madison

Music During Procession of the Gifts: Phoenix by Fia, Sung by Jan Spencer

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**Travel down with me
In the dark
You learn to see.
Cradled by the earth,
This is your rebirth.**

**All you ever thought you were
got taken by the fire
Naked in a brand-new world
Who are you what do you desire?**

**Go gentile
Go slow
Tasting life for the very first time**

**Go gentile
Go slow
Tasting life for the very first time**

**Nothing to be said
When everything is dead
Ashes in your mouth
A seed begins to sprout**

**All you ever thought you were
got taken by the fire
Naked in a brand new world
Who are you what do you desire?**

**Go gentile
Go slow
Tasting life for the very first time**

**Go gentile
Go slow
Tasting life for the very first time**

**Phoenix rising
Glorious to behold
Once you've been kissed by fire
The dark doesn't scare you at all**

**Go gentile
Go slow
Tasting life for the very first time**

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Presentation of the Cup and Plate

*Those chosen to be Representative of the Assembly bring forward to the Bishop the cup and plate.
The Bishop hands the cup and plate to the newly ordained.*

Bishop: Receive these gifts entrusted to you by the people of God for this sacred meal of remembrance and thanksgiving in praise, in hope, and in loving service.

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Offering of the Gifts

Bishop: *(lifting the bread)* **Blessed are You, God of all creation. Through Your goodness we have this bread to offer, which earth has given and human hands have made. It will become for us the bread of life.**

All: **Blessed be God forever.**

Priest: *(lifting the wine)* **Blessed are You, God of all creation. Through Your goodness we have this wine to offer, fruit of the vine and work of human hands. It will become our spiritual drink.**

All: **Blessed be God forever.**

Eucharistic Prayer

Bishop: **Our God is with you.**

All: **And also with you.**

Bishop: **Lift up your hearts.**

All: **We lift them up to our God.**

Bishop: **Let us give thanks to our loving God.**

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

Priest: **All-loving and ever-living God beyond all imagining, we give You thanks for the gift of awareness that allows us to recognize Your presence and action in our universe. Everything we have, everything we see, everything we do, everyone we love and everyone who loves us, reveals Your sustaining presence. We thank You for Your presence which animates life and all that exists.**

Bishop: You express yourself in human life and through us you sing and dance, speak and write, love and create. In this we never cease to hope, and for this we always thank and praise You. We join with the saints of all times and places as they sing forever to Your glory:

All: Holy, Holy, Holy One, God of Justice, God of Light,
All of Creation is filled with your glory.

Hosanna in the Highest.

Blessed are we who come in Your Holy Name.

Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.

Priest: Loving God, we live and move and have our being in You. We give thanks for those throughout history who have affirmed your loving presence and moved your people to give witness. They have witnessed to your presence in lives characterized by love, mercy, compassion, generosity and forgiveness.

Bishop: We thank you for Jesus, who loved so greatly, taught so clearly, and proclaimed so courageously. He set people free from images, ideas and religious practices that bound them in fear and a false sense of separation from you. Through Jesus, we know our loving actions become a share in your life. In Jesus, we see your Spirit challenging us to make your presence more visible on earth.

Priest: We thank You for Your Spirit of life and love among us. We are grateful that Your Spirit sets us free to discover your presence within us and in all of creation. And for this we thank and praise You.

Bishop: *(addressing the assembly)* I invite you, the People of God, to extend your hands and pray with me:

All: Loving God, intensify the presence of Your Spirit in these our gifts, as they, and we, become the Body and Blood of Jesus the Christ for our wholeness and the wholeness of all creation.

All: We remember that on the night before he died, while at supper with his friends, Jesus took the Bread, spoke the blessing, broke the bread and offered it to them saying: Take and eat, this is my body.

All: When supper was ended, Jesus took the cup of wine, spoke the blessing and offered it to them saying: Take and drink of the covenant made new again through my life in you. Do this in memory of me.

Priest: Let us proclaim the mystery of faith.

All: Nurtured by your Word, nourished by your food, called anew to be your people, we acclaim your praise.

Bishop: Loving God, through Jesus You entrusted this pledge of love to us. We celebrate the memory of his life, death and resurrection, and bring to You the gifts You have given us: reconciliation, justice, and peace. You fill us with Your Spirit in the sharing of this meal. You keep us in communion with one another and with all living beings. Your Spirit makes us a sign of unity, a model of equality and instruments of Your peace.

Priest: Inspire our leaders, both religious and political, so that they act without fear to bring your justice. May they become peacemakers who transform your church and society so that all living beings and our planet may thrive.

Bishop: You have gathered us around this table in friendship, with Mary, the Mother of Jesus, the apostles, and all the saints. May all who are suffering in any way be strengthened and consoled by your Presence. You bless all who have gone before us and bring them into the lasting joy and peace of your presence.

Priest: You gather together women, men and children of every race, language, religion and way of life to share in your one, eternal banquet. In your presence, we give you glory with all creation and with Jesus through whom your goodness flows.

Bishop holds Bread, newly ordained priest holds cup.

**All: Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
may all glory and honor be Yours, all-loving God, forever and
ever.**

Amen: sung by Jan Spencer

Bishop: Let us pray together as Jesus taught us:

**O Breath of Life,
Creator of the Shimmering Sound
That flows through the conscious place
Within our womb-space
Wherein our heart exists
Giving light, to all.**

**From this divine union
and our willing hands,
clear our intention
for co-creation
of a new world of peace.**

**Create in each of us
a divine cooperation,
one compassionate action.
And help us fulfill what lies within
the circle of our lives
Each day we ask no more, no less**

**Forgive us our hidden past, the secret shames,
As we consistently forgive
That of what others hide.**

**Don't let surface things delude us,
but free us from what holds us back
from our true purpose.**

**May these statements be the ground from which all
our actions grow**

~ Amen

(Adapted by Jill from the translation from Aramaic to English by Dr. Neil Douglas-Klotz)

Sign of Peace

Priest: The peace of Christ be with you always.

All: And also with you.

Priest: As we share our joy, let us share God's abundant peace. Please share a sign of peace.

During the Sign of Peace: The Eucharistic Ministers come forward to receive their cups and purificators and join the bishop and newly ordained at the table.

Communion

Bishop: Please join in praying the prayer for the breaking of the bread:

All: Loving God, You call us to live the Gospel of peace and justice.

We will live justly. Loving God, You call us to be Your presence in the world. We will love tenderly. Loving God, You call us to speak truth to power. We will walk with integrity.

Bishop holds up the bread, Newly Ordained Priests holds up the wine:

Bishop: This is the Bread of Life and the Cup of Blessing. How blessed are we who are called to this table.

All: Jesus, you affirm our worthiness and with your love, we will help heal the world.

When distributing communion, ministers say: Bread of Life

All ministers go to their stations and receive communion after the assembly. Ushers assist with communion lines.

Communion Song: The Voice by Celtic Woman, sung by Jan Spencer

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**I hear your voice on the wind
And I hear you call out my name**

**"Listen, my child," you say to me
"I am the voice of your history
Be not afraid, come follow me
Answer my call, and I'll set you free"**

**I am the voice in the wind and the pouring rain
I am the voice of your hunger and pain
I am the voice that always is calling you
I am the voice, I will remain**

**I am the voice in the fields when the summer's gone
The dance of the leaves when the autumn winds blow
Ne'er do I sleep throughout all the cold winter long
I am the force that in springtime will grow**

**I am the voice of the past that will always be
Filled with my sorrow and blood in my fields
I am the voice of the future, bring me your peace
Bring me your peace, and my wounds, they will heal**

**I am the voice in the wind and the pouring rain
I am the voice of your hunger and pain
I am the voice that always is calling you
I am the voice**

**I am the voice of the past that will always be
I am the voice of your hunger and pain
I am the voice of the future
I am the voice, I am the voice
I am the voice, I am the voice**

After everyone has received communion the assistants clear the table.

Prayer After Communion

Bishop: Let us pray. Loving God, You renew us with spiritual nourishment in this bread and wine. You watch over this newly ordained woman and inspire her as a faithful minister of Word and Sacrament to give generously for your glory and for the good of all living beings. We pray this prayer in the name of Jesus, our brother.

All: Amen.

MC: After the ceremony, and before the reception all are invited to gather for a group picture. A reception follows in the community center.

Blessing

MC: Please stand and extend your hands in blessing.

Bishop: Loving God, in this moment, You draw us to you and make us aware, not so much of what we've given but of all that we have received and have to share.

All: Amen.

Priest: You bless us and move us forward in prophetic obedience to Your Spirit. You send us forth in power and gladness and with great courage, to live what we pray and profess.

All: Amen.

RECESSIONAL

Everyone, including all ARCWP, lines up in front of the altar on either side of the Bishop facing table. Then bow with the Bishop toward table and then toward the people.

Order of Recessional:

Newly ordained priest

Everyone else

Bishop exits last

Recessional Song: Make Your Own Kind of Music by Barry Mann and Cynthia Weil and Sung by Jan Spencer

Make Your Own Kind of Music. Barry Mann & Cynthia Weil. 1968.

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**Nobody can tell you
There's only one song worth singing
They may try and sell you
'Cause it hangs them up
To see someone like you**

**But you've gotta make your own kind of music
Sing your own special song
Make your own kind music
Even if nobody else sings along**

**You're gonna be nowhere
The loneliest kind of lonely
It may be rough goin'
Just to do your thing's the hardest thing to do**

**But you've gotta make your own kind of music
Sing your own special song
Make your own kind music
Even if nobody else sings along**

**So if you can not take my hand
And if you must be goin', I will understand**

**You gotta make your own kind of music
Sing your own special song
Make your own kind music
Even if nobody else sings along**

**You gotta make your own kind of music
Sing your own special song
Make your own kind music**