CHARGE TO DEACONESS & CONGREGATION

Rev Christoph Ebbinghaus

PRAISE

- I. Be Thou my Vision, O Lord of my heart; Naught be all else to me, save that Thou art. Thou my best Thought, by day or by night, Waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light.
- Be Thou my Wisdom, and Thou my true Word;
 I ever with Thee and Thou with me, Lord;
 Thou my great Father, I Thy true son;
 Thou in me dwelling, and I with Thee one.
- 3. Be Thou my battle Shield, Sword for the fight; Be Thou my Dignity, Thou my Delight; Thou my soul's Shelter, Thou my high Tower: Raise Thou me heavenward, O Power of my power
- 4. Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise, Thou mine Inheritance, now and always: Thou and Thou only, first in my heart, High King of Heaven, my Treasure Thou art.

5. High King of Heaven, my victory won, May I reach Heaven's joys, O bright Heaven's Sun! Heart of my own heart, whatever befall, Still be my Vision, O Ruler of all.

BENEDICTION - Moderator

After the service we ask you to remain seated as we give Eileen an opportunity to say a few words. Everyone is then invited to join us for tea in the church hall.

Jesus says, 'Are you tired? Worn out? Burned out on religion?
Come to me. Get away with me and you'll recover your life.
I'll show you how to take a real rest.
Walk with me and work with me - watch how I do it.
Learn the unforced rhythms of grace.
I won't lay anything heavy or ill-fitting on you.
Keep company with me and you'll learn to live freely and lightly.' (Matt 11 TM)

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If any part of this service has prompted you think about your relationship with God and you would like to talk about this. Please ring/text 07817705424 or visit www.firstmagherafelt.com.



Service

of Commissioning

and Induction of

Mrs Eileen Black

as Deaconess in First Magherafelt

on Sunday 26th May 2013 at 6pm

Moderator: Rev David Brownlow

Clerk: Rev Tom Conway



Order of Service

Welcome and Announcements

CALL TO WORSHIP - Moderator

PRAISE (Psalm 100)

- I. All people that on earth do dwell, sing to the Lord with cheerful voice.
 Him serve with mirth, his praise forth tell; come ye before him and rejoice.
 - 2. Know that the Lord 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.
- 3. 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.
- 4. 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.

PRAYER - Moderator

SCRIPTURE READING AND SERMON - Rev Jonathan Curry

OFFERING - (for Training of Deaconesses)

PRAYER - Moderator

PRAISE (Psalm 84)

- I. How lovely is Thy dwelling-place,
 O Lord of hosts, to me.
 My soul is longing and fainting
 the courts of the Lord to see.
 My heart and flesh, they are singing
 for joy to the living God.
 How lovely is Thy dwelling-place,
 O Lord of hosts, to me.
- 2. Even the sparrow finds a home where he can settle down, and the swallow, she can build a nest where she may lay her young, within the courts of the Lord of hosts, my King, my Lord, and my God; and happy are those who are dwelling where the song of praise is sung.
- 3. And I'd rather be a door-keeper and only stay a day, than live the life of a sinner and have to stay away.

 For the Lord is shining as the sun, and the Lord, He's like a shield; and no good thing does He withhold from those who walk His way.
- How lovely is Thy dwelling-place,
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 My heart and flesh, they are singing
 for joy to the living God.
 How lovely is Thy dwelling-place,
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CONSTITUTION OF PRESBYTERY- Moderator

PRESENTATION OF THE CANDIDATE TO PRESBYTERY

Anna Morison (PW Home Vice-President)

DECLARATION OF PRESBYTERY - Moderator

STANDARDS OF THE CHURCH INCLUDING THE RULE OF FAITH Clerk of Presbytery

QUESTIONS TO THE CANDIDATE

Moderator

STATEMENT

Congregation stand and remain standing until after the Aaronic Blessing

PRAYER & ACT OF COMMISSIONING & INDUCTION

THE AARONIC BLESSING

RIGHT HAND OF FELLOWSHIP

PRESENTATION OF BADGE

Rev Christoph Ebbinghaus (Convener of the Board of Mission in Ireland)

PRAISE

- I. My heart is filled with thankfulness
 To Him who bore my pain;
 Who plumbed the depths of my disgrace
 And gave me life again;
 Who crushed my curse of sinfulness
 And clothed me in His light
 And wrote His law of righteousness
 With pow'r upon my heart.
- My heart is filled with thankfulness
 To him who reigns above,
 Whose wisdom is my perfect peace,
 Whose ev'ry thought is love.
- 2. My heart is filled with thankfulness To Him who walks beside; Who floods my weaknesses with strength And causes fears to fly; Whose ev'ry promise is enough For ev'ry step I take, Sustaining me with arms of love And crowning me with grace.

For ev'ry day I have on earth Is given by the King; So I will give my life, my all, To love and follow him.

(Keith Getty & Stuart Townend)