



ORDINATION SERVICE

Methodist Conference 2014

Hamilton

Te Haahi Weteriana o Aotearoa

President:	Rev Tovia Aumua
Vice President:	Dr Arapera Ngaha
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Ex Vice President:	Miss Jan Tasker
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Organist:	John Parker

Ordinands:

Deacon:

Ruta Galo

Presbyter:

Rupeni Balawa Delai

Nehilofi 'E-Moala 'Aholelei

Kalolo Fihaki

Kuli Fisi'iahi

Manoa Havea

'Ilaisaane Langi

Sione Lea'aetoa

Neti Petaia

Tania Shackleton

Abhishek Solomon

Mele Foeta Tu'ipulotu

Andrea Williamson

Full Connexion:

Presbyter:

David Ahn

Bruce Anderson (*in absentia*)

Maureen Calman

David Harding

Amos Muzondiwa

Leigh Sundberg (*in absentia*)

Service of Ordination

Organ Prelude:

Processional:

All please stand as the President, Vice President and other Conference Leaders enter.

Introit: Waikato Combined Choir

Chaplain: Kia ora e te whanau o te Haahi Weteriana, Talofa lava, Malo e Lelei, Ni sa bula vanaka. Welcome to this service where we worship God, celebrate the ministry of the whole people of God, and ordain people to ministries within the Church.

Ka whakawhetai tonu matou ki a koe e te Atua;

Ka whakawhetai tonu matou
Kei te tata mai hoki tou ingoa
E korerotia ana e te tangata au mahi
whakamiharo.

(We give thanks to you, O God.

We give thanks to you.

*We proclaim how great you are and tell of
the wonderful things you have done.)*

- Psalm 75:1

Response: Kororia ki a koe e te Atua.
(Glory to you, O God.)

Lighting of the Conference Candle.

Chaplain:

Kia inoi tatou:
E te Wairua Tapu, e te Wairua Aroha.
Mai i au kupu kei te mohio matou ko koe te
ara tika, ko koe te pono me te ora. Awhina i
a matou ki te whai i ou akoranga i runga
tonu i te hari me te koa, a ka whakanui hoki i
te ora ki roto i o matou kupu me o matou
mahi. Amine.

*(Holy and Loving Spirit.
We know from your word that you are the
way and the truth and the life. Help us to
willingly follow the wisdom of your way, to
joyfully celebrate the truth of your love and
triumphantly proclaim all things. Amen.)*

Processional Hymn: “In the name of Christ we gather”

*The Ordinands enter during the singing of this hymn
and will take their seats in the front row.*

In the name of Christ we gather
in the name of Christ we sing,
celebrate new vows, new promise
of a life's whole offering,
here ordained to lead God's people
to the Gospel's beckoning.

Sons and daughters of the Spirit –
these are called to teach and care,
called as were the first disciples,
commonwealth of Christ to share,
by the bread and wine and water
sacraments of grace declare.

In the ministry of preaching
may the Word spring into life;
in the time of doubt and challenge
may its truth affirm belief;
in the day of pain and darkness
heal the hurt of guilt and grief.

Now within this solemn moment
we invoke the power of God –
by the hands laid on in blessing
be there strength to take the load,
be there faithfulness in loving,
be there courage for this road.

Word of joy, enlivening Spirit,
more than lover, parent, friend,
born in Jesus, born in Mary,
born to us that love extend,
grow within your chosen servant,
life of God that has no end.

Shirley Murray

Tune: Westminster Abbey, WOV 343(ii)

President:

Whakapaingia te Atua i runga, i raro, i waho,
i roto i tenei, i tenei o tatou e mine nei.
*(Blessed is God who is above and below,
without and within each one of us gathered
here.)*

All:

Whakapaingia te Atua kei nga wahi katoa.
(Blessed is God in all places.)

Tumuaki:

Ko koe te Atua tapu, te tino Atua
Nou te mana, te ihi, te wehi.
Nou te ao, te mauri, te ora.
Nou te katoa, i te rangi, i te whenua.
Ko koe tonu te Atua.

Congregation sits

President: We belong to a tradition which follows the way of Jesus the Christ.

All: **This is the way of humility and love, of integrity and self-offering.**

Vice President: We celebrate the lives of all who have helped us catch the vision of the Gospel in Aotearoa.

We are thankful for the ministry of all the baptised,
All: **called to be salt of the earth and light to the world.**

Vice President: We are thankful for the ministry of deacons,
All: **called to be pioneers in mission.**

Vice-President: We are thankful for the ministry of presbyters
All: **encouraging us to be the body of Christ.**

President: In silence let us take time to reflect on aspects of ministry for which we are thankful; and on those aspects where we have fallen short of the vision of the Gospel.

Silence.

President: God of life,
when we ignore the life-giving vision of the Gospel,
when we fail to keep alive the prophetic tradition,
when we neglect to show respect and compassion:

All: **Forgive us and bring us again to new life.**

President: We are forgiven.
God's love never ends.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Inoi O Te Ariki

(The Lord's Prayer)

Tumuaki: E Ihowa tohungia matou
E te Karaiti tohungia matou

Tumuaki: E Ihowa tohungia matou

All: **E to matou Matua i te rangi**
Kia tapu tou Ingoa.
Kia tae mai tou rangatiratanga.
Kia meatia tau e pai ai
ki runga ki te whenua.
kia rite ano ki to te rangi.
Homai ki a matou aiane
he taro ma matou mo tenei ra.
Murua o matou hara,
me matou hoki e muru nei
i o te hunga e hara ana ki a matou.
Aua hoki matou e kawea kia whakawaia;
engari whakaorangia matou i te kino;
nou hoki te rangatiratanga,
te kaha me te kororia,
ake, ake, ake. Amine

Congregation stands

Presentation of Ordinands

The Ordinands stand and come forward.

Principal: We present *Ruta Galo* for ordination to the ministry of costly service.

We have examined her according to the doctrine and discipline of the Methodist Church of New Zealand, Te Haahi Weteriana O Aotearoa, and believe her to be ready for ordination as a Deacon.

President: *Ruta Galo* may you know the joy that comes from obedience, and the grace of Christ which is sufficient for every calling.

Principal: We present for ordination to the Ministry of Word, Sacrament and Pastoral Care, *Rupeni Balawa Delai, Nehilofi 'E-Moala 'Aholelei, Kalolo Fihaki, Kuli Fisi'iahi, Manoa Havea, 'Ilaisaane Langi, Sione Lea'aetoa, Neti Petaia, Tania Shackleton, Abhishek Solomon, Mele Foata Tu'ipulotu, Andrea Williamson.*

We have examined them according to the doctrine and discipline of The Methodist Church of New Zealand-Te Haahi Weteriana o Aotearoa, and believe they are ready for ordination as Presbyters.

President: *Rupeni Balawa Delai, Nehilofi 'E-Moala 'Aholelei, Kalolo Fihaki, Kuli Fisi'iahi, Manoa Havea, 'Ilaisaane Langi, Sione Lea'aetoa, Neti Petaia, Tania Shackleton, Abhishek Solomon, Mele Foata Tu'ipulotu, Andrea Williamson,* may you know the joy that comes from obedience and the grace of Christ which is sufficient for every calling.

Ordinands take their seats.

The Ministry of the Word

President: Whakarongo ki te kupu a te Wairua
ki te Haahi.
(Listen to the word of the Spirit to the Church)

First Reading: 1 Timothy Chapter 5, Verses 17-20

Principal: Rev Dr David Bell

Second Reading: 2 Timothy chapter 4 verses 1-5

Ex Vice-President: Miss Jan Tasker

Ko tenei te kupu o te Atua.
(This is the word of God)

All: Whakamoemiti ki te Atua!
(Thanks be to God)

Hymn: “Christ from whom all blessings flow”

Christ, from whom all blessings flow,
perfecting the saints below,
hear us, who thy nature share,
who thy mystic body are.

Join us, in one spirit join,
let us still receive of thine;
still for more on thee we call,
thou who fillest all in all.

Move, and actuate, and guide:
various gifts to each divide;
placed according to thy will,
let us all our work fulfil;

Freely may we all agree,
touched with loving sympathy;
kindly for each other care;
every member feel its share.

Love, like death, has all destroyed,
rendered all distinctions void;
names, and sects, and parties fall;
thou, O Christ, art all in all.

*Charles Wesley
WOV 364*

Congregation sits

Address: Ordination in a Changing World

Ex President: Rev Rex Nathan

Affirmation of Faith

Ex President: Rex Nathan

We are not alone – we live in God's world

All:

**We believe in God:
who has created and is creating,
who has come in Jesus,
the Word made flesh,
to reconcile and make new,
who works in us and others
by the Spirit.
We trust in God.
We are called to be the Church:
to celebrate God's presence,
to love and serve others,
to seek justice and resist evil,
to proclaim Jesus,
crucified and risen,
our Judge and our Hope.
in life, in death,
in life beyond death,
God is with us.
We are not alone.
Thanks be to God.**

Congregation sits

The Charge to the Church

President: God loves creation and seeks to bring it to fulfilment.

As a sign of that love, God called a people who became a community of faith we call church.

All are invited into this household of faith which God, through the Holy Spirit, enlivens and strengthens in ministry.

Vice President: The Spirit gives boldness, community, hope, wisdom and understanding.

It is the Spirit who bestows gifts for ministry which fashion and guide the life of Christ's people.

The Church calls all people to the freedom and fullness of Jesus.

Concern for people, a healing spirit, restoration of relationships, and willingness to commit ourselves to the wellbeing of others, shape all that the followers of Christ seek to do.

In its pastoral ministry, the Church offers Christ's love to all people, through ministries of service and care.

President: The Church is true to God when it celebrates God's goodness in the lives of people and communities, and when, through its ministry, it cares for others: offering, in

Christ's name, water to the thirsty, bread to the hungry, empowerment to the exploited, and hope to the outcast. The Church is built on the tradition of the apostles. Their faith became a channel of God's active power in human history. Their ministry of word, sacrament and care built up God's people in courage, hope and joy.

In the name of God, we charge you to exercise this ministry. May you be given the assurance of one fully committed to this service, the resolve that comes from sharing ministry with God's people, and the trust that God will guide and direct you.

Affirmation of Ministry

*The Ordinands come to the stage area.
The congregation stands*

The President and Vice President address all present.

President: The Holy Spirit has been at work in our lives. We believe that as lay people, deacons or presbyters, each of us is called by God to ministry.

Ordinands: Do you affirm your calling to mission and ministry in the world?
We do.

Vice President: Will you seek to nourish your ministry by prayer, study and worship within the community of faith?

Ordinands: **We will.**

President: Will you seek to lead a life of integrity and express God's goodness and love through the gifts God has given you?

Ordinands: **We will.**

Ordinands return to their seats.

Hymn: ***"O thou who camest from above"***

O thou who camest from above
the pure celestial fire to impart,
kindle a flame of sacred love
on the mean altar of my heart!

There let it for thy glory burn
with inextinguishable blaze;
and trembling to its source return,
in humble prayer and fervent praise.

Jesus, confirm my heart's desire
to work, and speak, and think for thee;
still let me guard the holy fire,
and still stir up thy gift in me,

Ready for all thy perfect will,
my acts of faith and love repeat,
till death thy endless mercies seal,
and make the sacrifice complete.

*Charles Wesley
Tune: Wilton, WOV 486 (i)*

Congregation sits as Deacon Ordinand comes forward.

The Ordination of a Deacon

President: Ruta, do you acknowledge your calling to a ministry of caring service to be expressed in places of need?

Deacon: **I do.**

Vice-President: Will you freely share with all who seek them the water of life, the healing of love, and the vision of renewal?

Deacon: **I will.**

Vice-President: Do you acknowledge that your ministry is to be exercised within the care and discipline of the Methodist Church of New Zealand, Te Haahi Weteriana O Aotearoa?

Deacon: **I do.**

Vice-President: Ruta, will you give glory to God, Alpha and Omega, Beginning and End?

Deacon: **I will.**

Deacon: **God, you are my Companion.
In the name of Christ
I will gladly serve you.**

President: Like the first disciples, waiting for your coming, empowering Spirit, we watch and pray.

Silence.

President: Holy Spirit of God, meet us in this moment as you met the disciples of old.
Be with us, Holy Spirit.

All: **Bring faith and hope, we pray.**

President: Come, Holy Spirit.

All: **Be present in your power.**

*The congregation remains seated.
The Deacon to be ordained kneels.*

The Laying on of Hands

The sponsors come forward.

President: Give your Holy Spirit to Ruta whom we ordain Deacon in the name of God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, that she may faithfully fulfil a ministry of caring service.

All: **Amine.
Ki te Atua te whakawhetai.**

The newly ordained Deacon stands

The Vice-President pours water into the Deacon's bowl.

President: Take as a symbol for your ministry this bowl and towel, the bowl made from the earth of Aotearoa that the water of your caring may bring life to our land.

Water of life
Gift of God
Our gift to one another

The emblem and certificate is presented.

Vice-President: Ruta, we praise God for your commitment to serve God as Deacon.
Serve patiently and cheerfully, remembering that the work you are called to do is God's work. It is in God's hands, in God's name, and to God's glory.

President: Follow Christ whose servant you are.
Share the burden of those whose cross is heavy.
You are marked as a person who proclaims that among the truly blessed are the poor, the troubled, the powerless and the persecuted.

Vice-President: You are called to be what you proclaim.
Serve Christ simply and willingly,
and let your joy in Christ overcome all discouragement.
Have no fear; be humble and full of hope.

Deacon moves to pulpit.

Intercessory Prayer

Deacon: Come Holy Spirit, in your renewing power.
Move in our labouring
with the energy of your being
and bring to birth in us
the true life of your Church.

All: **Come, Holy Spirit,
In your renewing power**

Deacon: Move in the world
with the streams of your justice.
Give waters of life to the poor
And rivers of freedom to the oppressed.

All: **Come, Holy Spirit,
In your renewing power.**

Deacon: Move in our hearts with the fire of your love.
Spread the warmth of your healing
And the flame of your transforming life.

All: **Come Holy Spirit,
In your renewing power.
In the name of Christ.
Amen.**

Hymn: ***“Brother, sister, let me serve you”***

Brother, sister, let me serve you,
Let me be as Christ to you,
pray that I may have the grace
to let you be my servant too.

We are pilgrims on a journey,
we are traveller's on the road,
we are here to help each other
walk the mile and bear the load.

I will hold the Christ-light for you
in the night-time of your fear,
I will hold my hand out to you,
speak the peace you long to hear.

I will weep when you are weeping,
when you laugh, I'll laugh with you,
I will share your joy and sorrow
till we've seen this journey through.

When we sing to God in heaven,
we shall find such harmony,
born of all we've known together
of Christ's love, and agony.

Brother, sister, let me serve you,
let me be as Christ to you,
pray that I may have the grace
to let you be my servant too.

- Richard Gillard, Alleluia Aotearoa 8

The Ordination of Presbyters

The congregation remain seated as the Presbyter Ordinands come forward.

President: Do you affirm your calling to an apostolic Ministry of Word, Sacrament and Pastoral Care, for building up the Body of Christ?

Ordinands: **I do.**

Vice President: Will you freely share with all God's people the Bible's living word, the good news of salvation by faith in Christ and our hope in God?

Ordinands: **I will.**

President: Will you uphold the worship, governance, and discipline of The Methodist Church of New Zealand-Te Haahi Weteriana O Aotearoa?

Ordinands: **I will.**

Vice President: *Rupeni Balawa Delai, Nehilofi 'E-Moala 'Aholelei, Kalolo Fihaki, Kuli Fisi'iahi, Manoa Havea, 'Ilaisaane Langi, Sione Lea'aetoa, Neti Petaia, Tania Shackleton, Abhishek Solomon, Mele Foeata Tu'ipulotu, Andrea Williamson, will you give glory to God, Alpha and Omega, Beginning and End?*

Ordinands: **I will.**

Ordinands: **God, you are my Companion.
In the name of Christ
I will gladly serve you.**

Director Mission Resourcing: Like the first disciples, waiting for your coming, empowering Spirit, we watch and pray.

Silence.

Director Mission: Resourcing: Holy Spirit of God,
meet us in this moment
as you met the disciples of old.
Be with us, Holy Spirit,
bring faith and hope, we pray.

Come, Holy Spirit,
Be present in your power.

Church representatives come forward and stand around the Ordinands – the two Sponsors chosen by each of the Ordinands will come forward.

The Laying on of Hands

The Ordinands kneel.

Sponsors for each of the Ordinands come forward as each one is called.

Congregation remains seated and is invited to pray for the Ordinands.

President: God of grace, through your Holy Spirit,
empower your servant
whom we ordain presbyter in your name,
giving to him/her authority
to preach your Word,
to administer the sacraments,
to declare your forgiveness
and be pastor to your people

All: **Amen.**

At the conclusion of all the ordinations a blessing is sung for all the newly ordained, Deacon and Presbyters.

Blessing: **Otara Tongan Parish Choir**

Stoles are presented to the newly ordained.

President: *Rupeni Balawa Delai, Nehilofi 'E-Moala 'Aholelei, Kalolo Fihaki, Kuli Fisi'iahi, Manoa Havea, 'Ilaisaane Langi, Sione Lea'aetoa, Neti Petaia, Tania Shackleton, Abhishek Solomon, Mele Foeata Tu'ipulotu, Andrea Williamson, we praise God for your commitment to serve as presbyters. Serve with patience and humility, remembering that the work you are called to is God's work.*

Vice President: You are called to work in God's service following Christ's example. Stand beside those whose burdens are heavy. Each of you is a person who proclaims that among the truly blessed are the poor, the troubled, the powerless and the persecuted.

President: You are called to be what you proclaim. Serve Christ simply and willingly and let your joy in Christ overcome all discouragement. Be people of hope.

Bibles and certificates are presented to the newly ordained one at a time – President presents the Bible, Vice President presents the Certificates.

..... take this Bible, symbol of the authority you have received to preach the Word of God and to administer the Sacraments in the congregations to which you are appointed.

The newly ordained return to their seats.

Anthem: St Paul's Samoan Choir

Te Minitatanga O Te Hakarameta

TE MAUNGARONGO

Vice President: Kia tau te rangimarie a te Atua ki a koutou.
Te Katoa: **Kia koe ano hoki.**

TE TUKUNGA KOHA

Vice President: Kua tae ki te wa e tuku ai i a matou koha ki a koe e te Atua.
Ka whakapuakina o matou ringa, ka whakapou i o matou kaha katoa ki a koe.
Ka tuwheraina o matou ngakau ka harikoa ki o painga ki a matou.
Te Katoa: **Amine.**

The Ministry of the Sacrament

THE PEACE

Vice President: The peace of God be with you.
All: **And God's peace be with you also.**

THE OFFERTORY

Vice President: We come now God, to offer ourselves to you.
We open our hands and give our all to you.
We open our hearts, rejoicing in your goodness to us all.
All: **Amen.**

Te Whakawhetaitanga

Vice President: Kei konei te Karaiti.
Te Katoa: Kei i a tatou te Atua

TE INOI TUKU HAPA

President:: Mai i nga iwi katoa ka tuku whakamoemiti matou ki te Karaiti e noho nei i roto i a matou, kiki ana i te marie me te pono. I whakamatea i runga i te ripeka, i ara ake i te mate kia ora tonu ai tatou, na reira matou e inoi nei me te whakanui i a ia.

**Tapu, tapu, he tapu te Ariki.
Te Atua o te mana me te kaha.
Kii tonu te rangi me te whenua i tou kororia.
Ohana i runga rawa.**

The Thanksgiving

President: The Christ is here.

All: **God is with us.**

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

President: With all your people we give thanks for The Christ who lives within us and among us full of grace and truth. Who suffered death on the cross and was raised from death that we might have life, and so we worship and praise you.

**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord,
God of power and might.
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.**

**Whakapaingia a ia e haere mai nei
i runga i te ingoa o te Ariki.
Ohana i runga rawa.**

President:

I te po i mua i tona matenga, ka tango ia i te taro kia tuku whakawhetai ki a koe.

Ka whawhati, ka hoatu ki ana akonga, a ka mea; "Tangohia, kainga, ko toku tinana tenei ka hoatu nei mo koutou. Meinga tenei hei whakamahara ki ahau."

Ka mutu te hapa, ka mau ia i te kapu,
Ka tuku whakawhetai ki a koe, ka hoatu ki a ratou, a, ka mea;

"Inumia tenei, ko oku toto o te Kawenata hou i whakahekea mou, mo te katoa, hei murunga hara".

Te Katoa:

**Kororia ki a koe e te Karaiti.
E maumahara ana matou i to matenga,
E hari koa ana matou i to aranga mai,
Ka kauhautia e matou to piringa mai.
Amine.**

INOI MO TE WAIRUA TAPU

President:

Kuhu mai e te Wairua Tapu, whakakiia o matou ngakau ki te hari koa mo enei taonga o te paraoa me te waina, kia whakaoritea ki te tumanako o te paraoa o te ora me te kapu o te kawenata hou, Whakawhaitihia mai matou hei iwi mo tenei wahi, kia tupu ai matou i roto i te oranga tonu e karangatia mai nei e te Karaiti.

Te Katoa:

Amine.

**Blessed is the one who comes in the
name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

President: On the night before he offered up his life
Jesus took bread, and after blessing it
he broke it, gave it to his disciples, and said,
“Take, eat: this is my body given for you.
Do this in remembrance of me.”

After supper, he took the cup, offered
thanks,
and gave it to them saying,
“Drink this, all of you:
for this is my blood of the new covenant,
which is poured out for many,
for the forgiveness of sins.”

All: **Glory to you, Lord Christ:
Your death we proclaim;
Your resurrection we celebrate;
Your coming we await.
Amen.**

PRAYER TO THE HOLY SPIRIT

President: Come Holy Spirit, and fill our hearts with joy
that these gifts of bread and wine may be to
us the bread of life and the cup of the New
Covenant hope. Bind us together as your
people in this place that we may grow to the
fullness to which Christ calls us.

All: **Amen.**

Te Whatiwhatinga o Te Paraoa

- President:** Ka huri matou ki a koe e te Atua kia mohio ano ai matou ki a koe i tenei wa, me te mohio hou ki a koe ia wa e kai ana matou i te paraoa me te inu i te waina.
- Te Katoa:** **E maumahara ana matou ki a koe e Ihu, ko koe nei te kanohi o te Atua, he aroha tapu i waenga i a matou, ka whakawhetai matou.**
- President:** E maumahara ana matou ko matou nga Akonga a te Atua kua murua nga hara, kei waenga i a matou a te Karaiti kua ara, kei te karanga ia kia maranga mai ka whai atu i muru i a ia.
- Te Katoa:** **No reira ka haere totika mai matou ki to tepu e Ihowa, e whakapono ana i roto i te aroha rangimarie. Ka tangohia e matou tenei paraoa me tenei waina, kia tupu ai matou i roto ia koe, me koe hoki i roto i a matou. Amine.**
- President:** Ko te paraoa ka whatia nei, hei whakakotahi te ao ki te Karaiti, te paraoa o te ora. Ko te kapu o te manaaki e whakamoemiti nei tatou, he urunga ki te kawenata a te Karaiti o to tatou oranga. Kia puta te maramatanga o te aroha, o enei tohu he homaitanga na te Karaiti, he mea hou ia ra, kia watea ai tatou ki te aroaro o te Atua me te tahuri ki nga nawe o te ao.
- Te Katoa:** **Amine.**
- Himene:** ***"I come with joy"*** (words see page 35)

The Breaking of the Bread

President: We turn to you God, in order to know you again for the first time, and to remember you anew each time we eat of this bread and drink this wine.

All: **We remember you Jesus, as the human face of God, as divine love in our midst and give thanks.**

President: We remember we are God's forgiven people, that Christ's risen presence is with us calling us to rise up and follow him.

All: **And so we boldly come to your table, Lord, trusting in your gracious love. We take this bread and wine that we may grow in you and you in us. Amen.**

President: The bread, which we break, is a sharing of life with Christ, the bread of life.

The cup of blessing for which we give thanks is a sharing in the covenant of Christ, the hope of our lives.

May we see through these symbols to the love that Christ offers us anew each day, that we might be free to live in the presence of God and the service of the world.

All: **Amen.**

Hymn: ***"I come with joy"*** (words see page 35)

Te Kai Hapa

Vice President: Whakatata mai, i te kaha me te mana a Te Wairua Tapu.
Haere mai ki te Kai Hapa i te taha o te Karaiti e aroha nei ki a koutou. Tukuna ia ki roto i o koutou ngakau ka noho i runga i te harikoa.

Te Katoa: **Amine.**

Vice President: Ko tenei te tinana o Ihu Karaiti, te paraoa o te ora.
Ko tenei te kapu o te kawenata hou o te Karaiti, te tumanako o te ora.

The newly ordained and other Communion Servers will move forward to receive communion from the President and Vice President and then move to take up their serving stations.

Anthem: **Wasewase Ko Viti Choir**

You will shortly be invited to go to the server of your choice, and we ask please that you be mindful of queues.

The organ will play during the serving of the bread and wine.

All the wafers will be gluten free.

The bread and wine is served to everyone by intinction.

*For an explanation of intinction,
see back page of this order of service.*

The Communion

Vice President: Draw near, strengthened by the power of the Holy Spirit. Come into Communion with the Christ who loves you and live with him in your hearts with great joy.

All: **Amen.**

Vice President: The Body of our Lord Jesus Christ, the bread of life.
The cup of the New Covenant of Christ, the hope of our lives.

The newly ordained and other Communion Servers will move forward to receive communion from the President and Vice President and then move to take up their serving stations.

Anthem: **Wasewase Ko Viti Choir**

You will shortly be invited to go to the server of your choice, and we ask please that you be mindful of queues.

The organ will play during the serving of the bread and wine

All the wafers will be gluten free.

The bread and wine is served to everyone by intinction.

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Post Communion Prayer

All: **Life-giving God,
we give you thanks for the gift of Jesus’
presence in the simplicity and splendour
of this holy meal.
Unite us with all who are fed by the life of
Christ that we may faithfully proclaim
the good news of your love and that your
church may be a sign of hope
in an uncertain world;
through Jesus Christ breaker of bread
and pourer of wine,
the bread of life and the true vine. Amen.**

Reception into Full Connexion

*Those being received into Full Connexion from other Churches
come forward as does the Director Mission Resourcing and
Synod Superintendents of those being received. The Reception
into Full Connexion of those being received in absentia will also
be marked at a suitable occasion in their parish appointment.*

Sponsors’ commendation:

We present *David Ahn*
being received from the Korean Methodist Church.

We present *Maureen Calman*
being received from the Anglican Church in
Aotearoa New Zealand and Polynesia.

We present *Amos Muzondiwa*
being received from the Methodist Church in
Zimbabwe.

We present *Leigh Sundberg*
being received from the Methodist Church in South
Africa.

We present *David Harding and Bruce Anderson* being received back into Full Connexion.

All seek to minister within The Methodist Church of New Zealand-Te Haahi Weteriana O Aotearoa.

Those newly ordained come forward.

General Secretary:

President Tovia, Vice President Arapera, Members of Conference, we have celebrated the ordinations of:

Rupeni Balawa Delai, Nehilofi 'E-Moala 'Aholelei, Kalolo Fihaki, Kuli Fisi'iahi, Ruta Galo, Manoa Havea, 'Ilaisaane Langi, Sione Lea'aetoo, Neti Petaia, Tania Shackleton, Abhishek Solomon, Mele Foeata Tu'ipulotu, Andrea Williamson and are now to receive them into Full Connexion within The Methodist Church of New Zealand-Te Haahi Weteriana o Aotearoa.

Vice President:

But for exceptional circumstances, ordination is for life. To carry out ministry for which one is ordained requires a commitment to the discipline of the Church and a willingness to abide by decisions of Conference.

President:

Rupeni Balawa Delai, Nehilofi 'E-Moala 'Aholelei, Kalolo Fihaki, Kuli Fisi'iahi, Ruta Galo, Manoa Havea, 'Ilaisaane Langi, Sione Lea'aetoo, Neti Petaia, Tania Shackleton, Abhishek Solomon, Mele Foeata Tu'ipulotu, Andrea Williamson, David Ahn, Bruce Anderson, Maureen Calman, David Harding, Amos Muzondiwa, Leigh Sundberg, you are to be received into Full Connexion by this

Conference. Do you agree to abide by the teaching and polity of The Methodist Church of New Zealand-Te Haahi Weteriana o Aotearoa, and do you agree to observe and maintain its discipline?

Presbyters: I do.

General Secretary: I recommend *Rupeni Balawa Delai, Nehilofi 'E-Moala 'Aholelei, Kalolo Fihaki, Kuli Fisi'iahi, Ruta Galo, Manoa Havea, 'Ilaisaane Langi, Sione Lea'aetoo, Neti Petaia, Tania Shackleton, Abhishek Solomon, Mele Foeata Tu'ipulotu, Andrea Williamson, David Ahn, Bruce Anderson, Maureen Calman, David Harding, Amos Muzondiwa, Leigh Sundberg*, be received into Full Connexion by this Conference.

Vice President: Members of Conference, please stand to affirm these ministries.

President: Eternal God, in our searching for you we discovered it was you who found us. You have made yourself known to us as the God of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Said by all being received into Full Connexion.

**O God, you have called us
as Christ's disciples
to make your love known
and live the Good News.
We have often tried to tell you
that for such a task we feel ill-equipped
and unprepared.
Yet you do not give in to our protests.**

**Instead, you fill us with the promise of
your grace and the reassurance of your
enabling.**

***Loving God, we know that by your Spirit
we will have courage to endure
and strength to continue;
we will have tomorrows filled with
promise,
and Good News to proclaim.
Amen.***

*The organ will play while those received into Full Connexion sign
the Church's Ethical Standards.*

Anthem: Combined Vahefonua Tongan Choir

Commissioning of the Taiwi Children, Young People & Families Ministry National Co-Ordinator

Mission Resourcing Board Chair:

God told our ancestors to teach their children so that each new generation would know his law and teach it to the next. (Psalm 78:5b-6).

Michael moves up on to the stage and stands before the President and Vice President. His whanau and sponsors stand from where they are seated and say the following.

**In recognition that none of us stands alone,
and that a new partnership in ministry has begun,
we present to you Michael Lemanu to be commissioned as the Taiwi Children, Young People & Families Ministry National Co-ordinator.**

President:

Michael we welcome you and your whanau.
Let us pray:
Loving God, in every age you have chosen servants
to speak your word and lead your people.
We thank you for Michael
whom you have called to this role
Fill him with the Holy Spirit
and nourish him with gifts for ministry with children, young people and families.
May he have the same mind
that was in Christ Jesus
and as a faithful disciple
be a role model for the younger generations
and a witness to the wider community,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

President: Michael, do you believe that God has called you to this ministry?

Michael: I do.

Vice President: You have been appointed to develop and resource Tauwi Children's Ministry and Tauwi Youth Ministry at a national level, ensuring that the Vision, Mission and Strategy for both are implemented in partnership with the ministry teams.

You are also to encourage Parishes, Synods and Presbyters to promote the connexional vision of Let the Children Live and develop opportunities and resources to encourage families in their faith journeys.

Will you prayerfully seek to exercise this ministry in a spirit of mutual respect and collaboration?

Michael: With the help of God, I will.

President: Will you seek to develop your faith, share the gifts and skills God has given you as you enable and equip others to share their talents in Christ's work among children, young people and families?

Michael: With the help of God, I will.

President & Vice President:

Michael has been appointed to minister among you, will you support him in this ministry?

All: **We will.**
We will be partners with Michael as he works
with and among us.
We promise him our prayers, our loving support
and our active participation in this ministry.

President: Michael, we now commission you as Tauivi Children, Young People & Families Ministry National Co-ordinator in the name God, Creator, Redeemer and Life Giver.
May God grant you grace, wisdom and joy as you live out this calling. **Amen.**

Presentation of Symbols:

There will be five symbols presented with a brief sentence or two to explain their value. Those presenting will wait on the floor together, come up on stage as one group and then present each symbol.

Vice President: Let us now join together in singing *Glorified*

Lord I come into Your holy place
I stand in awe of Your cleansing grace
Who am I that You would care for me?
I glorify the One who died for me

Chorus
Glorified, glorified
Let Your name be lifted up and glorified
Let the earth tremble at Your name
Let Your name be lifted up and glorified

Into Your hands I commit my life
Day by day as a living sacrifice
Who am I that You would care for me?
I glorify the One who died for me
Chorus

- Shaun Griffiths

Michael: Living God, draw us deeper into your love;
Jesus our Lord, send us to care and serve;
Holy Spirit, make us bearers of good news.
Stir us, strengthen us, teach and inspire us
to live your love with generosity and joy,
imagination and courage;
for the sake of all generations
and in the name of Jesus,

Amen.

President: Go into the world in the power of the Spirit.

All: **We go to serve in the name of Christ.**

Himene: **'Ma Te Marie'** (*sung unaccompanied*)

Ma te marie a te Atua
tatou katoa e tiaki;
mana ano e whakau
o tatou ngakau ki te pai.

*The peace of God
keeps us all.
He will confirm
our hearts in goodness.*

Ma te Atua Tamaiti ra,
ma te Wairua Tapu hoki
ratou, Atua kotahi nei.
tatou katoa e whakapai.
Amine

*May the Son of God
and the Holy Spirit too,
one God
bless us all*

*Nga Inoi me Nga Himene
a Te Hahi Weteriana
Tune: Old 100th sung unaccompanied*

Recessional:

*Please remain standing while the newly ordained, and the
Presidential party process from the service.*

Hymn:

“I come with joy”

Tune: ‘St Peter’

Please remain seated.

I come with joy to meet my Lord,
forgiven, loved, and free,
in awe and wonder to recall
his life laid down for me.

I come with Christians far and near
to find, as all are fed,
the new community of love
in Christ's communion bread.

As Christ breaks bread and bids us share,
each proud division ends.
That love that made us makes us one,
and strangers now are friends.

And thus with joy we meet our Lord.
His presence, always near,
is in such friendship better known:
we see and praise him here.

Together met, together bound,
we'll go our different ways,
and as his people in the world,
we'll live and speak his praise.

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Serving the Holy Communion:

During the sacrament of Holy Communion the bread and wine will be served by intinction to all who come forward. There will be two servers, one with a paten (plate) and the other with the chalice. Those receiving the bread and wine will take a slice of pita bread from the paten, dip it in the wine in the chalice, (taking care not to insert their fingers into the wine) and then eat the bread.

Intinction as a way of serving the elements of Holy Communion dates back to the early life of the Christian Church where it became a regular practice. While it had disappeared from use in the Western Church by 1200, recent times have seen its revival. Intinction as a means of serving Holy Communion has been used at several Methodist Conferences in recent years. It has the support of the Faith and Order Committee.

If you are receiving communion from the newly ordained please refrain from greeting them. Save your greeting till the service is ended.

Anyone not able to receive the bread and wine at this service because of their church tradition is invited to come forward and request a blessing.