

Ordination Celebration

October 12, 2014 - 6:30 p.m.

Tabor Mennonite Church

GATHERING/PRAISING

PRELUDE		Katherine Goerzen
WELCOME		Rosie Jantz
*HYMNS	<i>"This is a story full of love"</i>	No. 315
	<i>"I bind my heart this tide"</i>	No. 411
	<i>"Joy to the world"</i>	No. 318
	song leader, Marcene Entz	

PROCLAIMING

SCRIPTURES	<i>Mark 1:1, 9-15; Hebrews 1:1-3a; 12:1-2</i>	Clayton Gladish
SERMON	<i>"Stay Focused"</i>	Dennis Schmidt
HYMN	<i>"Be thou my vision"</i>	No. 545

ORDAINING

Ordination of Philip Benjamin Schmidt

MEANING OF ORDINATION	Clarence Rempel
COVENANT OF ORDINATION	
PRONOUNCEMENT OF ORDINATION	
PRAYER OF CONSECRATION	

RESPONDING

*HYMN OF RESPONSE	<i>"My life flows on"</i>	No. 580
SYMBOLIC RESPONSE		Phil Schmidt

SENDING

*SENDING HYMN	<i>"Guide my feet"</i>	No. 546
*BENEDICTION		Rosie Jantz

*POSTULDE

Musicians: Katherine Goerzen, Rosie Jantz, Doug Krehbiel, Jude Krehbiel,
Emil Schmidt, Elaine Unruh, Michael Unruh.

My heart is full of gratitude! I extend my sincere thanks to:

- ♦ God, my creator and sustainer, for calling me into missional ministry;
- ♦ Mary, my amazing wife, for continuous love and support;
- ♦ Dennis and Dianne, my parents, for their presence and guidance in my faith development, from child dedication to baptism to ordination;
- ♦ Clarence, my conference minister, for inviting me to consider ministry in Kansas, and for guidance in these first years of pastoral ministry;
- ♦ Ron, my leadership coach, for helping me recognize and embrace my leadership potential;
- ♦ Clayton, my good friend, for many meaningful conversations about faith and life;
- ♦ Rosie, Doug, Grace and Kim, my church staff, for making work joyful and fulfilling;
- ♦ Kay, Brad and Rosie, my pastor peer group, for fruitful discussions about church ministry;
- ♦ additional mentors and friends who brought much encouragement along the way;
- ♦ the Tabor Congregation for affirming my calling and blessing me to use my gifts;
- ♦ everyone who is helping make this service a wonderful celebration of God's goodness poured into our lives so that we can pour it into the world.

~Pastor Phil



*The peace of Christ makes fresh my heart,
a fountain ever springing!
All things are mine since I am his!
How can I keep from singing?
No storm can shake my inmost calm
while to the Rock I'm clinging.
Since love is Lord of heaven and earth,
how can I keep from singing?*