**BENEDICTION** (congregation seated)

Missionaries, Ordinands, and those who have Transferred Ordination:

The blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit be among you and remain with you always.

People: And also with you. Amen.

*RECESSIONAL HYMN  “God of Grace and God of Glory”

See insert

_The Covenant Hymnal: A Worshipbook_

*ENDING

MARK NOVAK

ORGAN POSTLUDE

RANDALL WILKENS

* The congregation stands as they are able.

**WORSHIP NOTES**

**Please:** No applause or flash photography during the service!

Those who are being ordained, consecrated, and transferring their ordination may be greeted following the service.

Habrá audífonos disponibles en el Renaissance Ballroom para traducción simultánea en español.

For hearing-impaired attendees, special hearing enhancement equipment is available in the back of the Renaissance Ballroom.

Our offering tonight will support the Minister’s Care and Crisis Fund, one way we are able to help bring about new opportunities, new beginnings, and restoration in the lives of the pastors, chaplains, and missionaries of the Evangelical Covenant Church. This ministry of hope and healing depends upon the generosity of our Covenant community. Thank you for partnering with us.

The message from this service, as well as other services taking place during the 128th Annual Meeting can be viewed online following the meeting by visiting CovChurch.org/am.

**Participants** (in alphabetical order):

JAMES CHOI serves as a hospice chaplain in Calverton, Maryland, and is a member of the Board of the Ordered Ministry.

LARRY DICKENS II serves as a lay member at City Covenant Church, in Detroit, Michigan.

JODY EIDNES serves as office administrator for the Great Lakes Conference, and is a member of Faith Covenant Church, in Farmington Hills, Michigan.

THOMAS EK serves as pastor of the Covenant Church of Galesburg, Illinois, and is chair of the Board of the Ordered Ministry.

SUSAN FABBRO serves at Covenant Psychological Services in Redwood City, California, and is a member of the Board of the Ordered Ministry.

ARTHUR GRECO serves as pastor of Marin Evangelical Covenant Church of San Rafael, California, and is a member of the Board of the Ordered Ministry.

DEBORAH GRIFFITH-SAMUELS serves as director of ministry development for the Central Conference, and is president of the African American Ministers Association.

CAROL LAWSON serves as director of ministry services for the Ordered Ministry.

RICHARD LUCCO serves as executive director of ministry development for the Evangelical Covenant Church.

MARK NOVAK serves as executive minister of the ordered ministry.

CURTIS PETERSON serves as executive minister of world mission.

WILLIE PETERSON is a member of the Board of the Ordered Ministry.

GARY WALTER serves as president of the Evangelical Covenant Church.

RANDALL WILKENS is associate pastor of worship and the arts at Bethany Covenant Church in Mount Vernon, Washington.

Children leading the processional in this evening’s service:

ASHER BRADLEY, son of Jason Bradley, candidate for Ordination to Word and Sacrament.

COLEE HUFSCHMID, son of Tracy Hufschmid, candidate for Ordination to Word and Sacrament.

ISAIAH HWANG, son of Joon Hwang, candidate for Ordination to Word and Sacrament.

ALISE OSTERCAMP, daughter of David Ostercamp, candidate for Ordination to Word and Sacrament.
Invocation: MARK NOVAK

Service of Worship:

Saturday, June 29, 2013, 7:00 p.m.

Organ Prelude: RANDALL WILKENS

Greetings and Announcements: MARK NOVAK

Time of Remembrance: MARK NOVAK

*Processional Hymn: "Holy God, We Praise Thy Name"

See insert: The Covenant Hymnal: A Worshipbook

*Acclamation of Praise (Responsive):

Te Deum Laudamus

Leader: We praise you, O God,
People: We acclaim you as Lord.

Leader: All creation worships you, the Father everlasting.

To you all angels, all the powers of heaven, the cherubim and seraphim sing in endless praise:

Unison: "Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory."

Leader: The glorious company of apostles praise you.

People: The noble fellowship of prophets praise you.

Leader: The white-robed army of martyrs praise you.

People: Throughout the world the holy Church acclaims you:

Unison: Father of majesty unbounded, your true and only Son, worthy of all praise, and Holy Spirit, advocate and guide.

Leader: You, Christ, are the king of glory, the eternal Son of the Father.

People: When you took our flesh to set us free, you humbly chose the Virgin's womb.

Leader: You overcame the sting of death and opened the kingdom of heaven to all believers.

People: You are seated at God's right hand in glory.

Leader: We believe you will come to be our judge.

Unison: Come then, Lord, and help your people, bought with the price of your own blood, and bring us with your saints to glory everlasting. Amen.

Invocation: MARK NOVAK

Reading of the Scriptures:

1 Thessalonians 2:1-12

John 15:1-17

Deborah Griffith-Samuels: JAMES CHOI

Offertery Prayer: ARTHUR GRECO

Offertery: "You Won't Relent"

Congregational Song: Medley: "Draw Me Close to You- Wrap Me in Your Arms"

Introduction of Speaker: MARK NOVAK

Sermon: "Living Reminders"

Isaiah 42:1-9

Renewal of Baptism: MARK NOVAK

Leader: Do you intend to continue in the covenant of God made with you in Holy Baptism, to live among God's faithful people, to hear the Word and participate in the Sacraments? And do you intend to proclaim the good news of God in Christ through word and deed, to seek Christ and serve him and all people, and to strive for justice and peace in all the earth? If so, declare your intent.

People: We do, and we ask God to help and guide us.

Leader: Remember your baptism, and be thankful.

People: We remember our baptism and affirm our common ministry.

Confession of Faith: The Apostles' Creed

The Covenant Hymnal: A Worshipbook

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; he descended into hades; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God, the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit; the holy Christian church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Ordination to Word and Service:

Common Vows of Ordered Ministry: GARY WALTER

Celebration of Transfer of Ordination:

Presentation of Candidates: CAROL LAWSON

Prayer: WILLIE PETERSON

Giving of the Bibles: GARY WALTER and MARK NOVAK

Vesting with Stoles: JOY F. EDINNES and LARRY DICKENS II

Consecration of Missionaries and Ordination to Word and Service:

Presentation of Candidates: CURTIS PETERSON

Vows: CAROL LAWSON

Laying on of Hands and Prayer: SUSAN FABBRO

Declaration: GARY WALTER

Giving of the Bibles: GARY WALTER and MARK NOVAK

Vesting with Stoles: JOY F. EDINNES and LARRY DICKENS II

Ordination to Word and Sacrament:

Presentation of Candidates: MARK NOVAK

Vows: GARY WALTER

Laying on of Hands and Prayer: THOMAS EK

Declaration: GARY WALTER

Giving of the Bibles: GARY WALTER and MARK NOVAK

Vesting with Stoles: JOY F. EDINNES and LARRY DICKENS II

Charge: GARY WALTER