

Pastor: Through baptism, God has made this new brother a member of the priesthood we all share in Christ Jesus, that we may proclaim the praise of God and bear His creative and redeeming Word to all the world.

Congregation: We welcome you into the Lord's family. We receive you as a fellow member of the Body of Christ, a child of the same heavenly Father, and as one who shares with us the promise of God's Kingdom. Amen.

The Sacrament of Holy Baptism



474 Children of the Heavenly Father

1 Chil - dren of the heav'n - ly Fa - ther Safe - ly in his bo - som gath - er;
2 God his own doth tend and nour - ish, In his ho - ly courts they flour - ish.
3 Nel - ther life nor death shall ev - er From the Lord his chil - dren sev - er;
4 Though he giv - eth or he tak - eth, God his chil - dren ne'er for - sak - eth;

Nest - ling bird or star in heav - en Such a ref - uge ne'er was giv - en.
From all e - vil things he spares them, In his might - y arms he bears them.
Un - to them his grace he show - eth, And their sor - rows all he know - eth.
His the lov - ing pur - pose sole - ly To pre - serve them pure and ho - ly.

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Tune: Swedish folk song

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Joshua Clark Butler

Gulf Shores, 2014

The Sacrament of Holy Baptism

Pastor: In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

In the Spirit of Christian love, Joshua Clark Butler is presented to receive the Sacrament of Holy Baptism. It is our duty and honor to faithfully care for him and help him in every way as God gives us opportunity. As we bear witness to the faith we profess, we live and grow together in the covenant of Baptism.

Let us pray: Holy God, mighty Lord, gracious Father: We give you thanks, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters and you created heaven and earth. By the gift of water you nourish and sustain us and all living things. Pour out your Holy Spirit, so that this child, now to be baptized, may live and grow in grace. To you be given all praise and honor through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever. Amen.

Scripture Reading: (Mark 10:13-16)

And (the people) were bringing children to him that he might touch them; and the disciples rebuked them. But when Jesus saw it he was indignant, and said to them, "Let the children come to me, do not hinder them; for to such belongs the kingdom of God. ... And he took (the children) up in his arms and blessed them.

Homily

Profession of Faith – by All:

We believe in God the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

We believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He

ascended into heaven and is seated on the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Pastor: Joshua Clark is baptized: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen

Hymn: "Children of the Heavenly Father."

As the hymn is sung, Josh's cousins come forward and pour a bit of the sea on his head to symbolize family, faith, love, and the blessings of God's creation.

Prayer for the Holy Spirit: God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, we give you thanks for freeing your children from the power of sin and raising us all to a new life through this holy sacrament. Pour out your Holy Spirit upon Joshua, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and joy. Amen..

Laying on of Hands: Joshua Clark, child of God, you have been sealed by the power of the Holy Spirit and marked with the cross of Christ forever.

Candle Lighting: Let your light so shine before others that they may see your good works and glorify your father in heaven. (The Baptismal Candle is lit.)

Prayer for Family: O God, the giver of all life, look with kindness upon us all, and especially upon Lindi and Joel, the parents of this child, and upon Lily, his sister. Guide them as teachers and examples of grace and peace for Joshua. Strengthen them in the promises of their own baptism that they may share with everyone they meet the joy you have given them together. We pray in the name of Him in whose name we are named, Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

Procession and Entrance:

This is the day Jace and Jordan will marry. Let us celebrate their love together!

Statement on the Gift of Marriage:

We gather to give thanks for the gift of marriage, to witness the joining together of Jace and Jordan, and to offer our blessing upon them so that they may be strengthened for their life together.

We are created male and female. Marriage offers the way for husbands and wives to help and comfort each other, living faithfully together in plenty and in want, in joy and in sorrow, in sickness and in health, throughout all their days.

Marriage gives full expression to the love between a man and a woman. In marriage a woman and a man belong to each other, and with affection and tenderness they freely give themselves to each other.

Marriage strengthens human society, provides for the ordering of family life, and for the birth and nurture of children.

Marriage is a holy mystery in which a man and a woman are joined together, and become as one. In marriage, husband and wife are called to a new way of life; this way of life must not be entered into carelessly, or from selfish motives, but responsibly, and carefully.

Therefore, let marriage be held in honor by all.

Prayer:

Gracious God, you are always faithful in your love for us. Look mercifully upon Jace and Jordan who have come seeking your blessing. Let your Spirit rest upon them so that with steadfast love they may honor the promises they make this day and be strengthened by your grace all their days. Amen.

Declarations of intent:

Jace, will you have Jordan to be your wife, and will you love her faithfully as long as you both shall live? "I will."

Jordan, will you have Jace to be your husband, and will you love him faithfully as long as you both shall live? "I will"

Do you, their family and friends, give your blessing to Jace and Jordan? Do you promise to do everything in your power to uphold them in their marriage? (If so, answer): "We do"

Readings:

On Marriage, from The Prophet by Kahlil Gibran:

You were born together, and together you shall be forevermore.
You shall be together when the white wings of death scatter your days.
Ay, you shall be together even in the silent memory of God.
But let there be spaces in your togetherness,
And let the winds of heavens dance between you.

Love one another, but make not a bond of love:
Let it rather be a moving sea between the shores of your souls.
Fill each other's cup, but drink not from one cup.
Give one another of your bread but eat not from the same loaf.
Sing and dance together and be joyous, but let each one of you be alone,
Even as the strings of a lute are alone though they quiver with the same music.

Give your hearts, but not into each other's keeping.
For only the hand of Life can contain your hearts.
And stand together yet not too near together:
For the pillars of the temple stand apart,
And the oak tree and the cypress grow not in each other's shadow.

Scripture reading: Ruth 1:16-17

But Ruth said, "Do not urge me to leave you or to return from following you. For where you go I will go, and where you lodge I will lodge. Your people shall be my people, and your God my God. Where you die I will die, and there will I be buried. May the LORD do so to me and more also if anything but death parts me from you."

Message to Jace and Jordan

Vows:

Jace and Jordan, since it is your intention to marry, join your hands, and with your promises, bind yourselves to one another as husband and wife.

I, Jace, take you, Jordan, to be my wedded wife,
to have and to hold,
from this day forward,
for better, for worse,
for richer, for poorer,
in sickness and in health,
to love and to cherish,
till death us do part,
according to God's holy ordinance;

and to you I pledge my faith
with all my heart.

I, Jordan, take you, Jace, to be my wedded husband,
to have and to hold,
from this day forward,
for better, for worse,
for richer, for poorer,
in sickness and in health,
to love and to cherish,
till death us do part,
according to God's holy ordinance;
and to you I pledge my faith
with all my heart.

Another set of Vows – written by the couple from a different wedding – for example:

Terra and Justin, since it is your intention to marry, join your hands, and with your promises, bind yourselves to one another as husband and wife.

I, Justin, love and cherish you, Terra,
For being all that you are,
And all that you can be.
Know that I am here for you,
And that your pain will be my pain,
And that your joy mine as well.
All I ask is for your love, your trust, your caring.
I choose you to be my wife.

I, Terra, love and cherish you, Justin,
For being all that you are,
And all that you can be.
Know that I am here for you,
And that your pain will be my pain,
And that your joy mine as well.
All I ask is for your love, your trust, your caring.
I choose you to be my husband.

Exchange of Rings:

What do you each bring as a sign of your covenant and promises to each other?

“A ring.”

The perfect circle of a ring symbolizes eternity. May these rings be to Jace and Jordan signs of unending love and faithfulness, reminding them of the covenant they have made this day.

(Repeat in turn):

This ring symbolizes our union -
for today, tomorrow, and all the years to come.
You are now my life partner, my beloved, my friend.
With this ring, I give you my heart.
I have no greater gift to give.

Wedding prayer:

Eternal God, creator and preserver of all life, giver of all grace: look with favor upon your world and especially upon Jace and Jordan. Grant, O God, that their joys may be doubled since the joy of one is the joy of the other; that their burdens may be cut in half, since when they share they divide the load.

Bless this husband and this wife with faithfulness and devotion. Grant that their lives be so knit together in your will, and their spirits in your Spirit, that they may grow in love and peace with you and each other. May they seek you first, O God. For it is in loving you that they may love each other all the more. It is in being faithful to you that they will be ever faithful to each other.

May they not expect perfection in the other, for that belongs only to you. May they be quick to minimize each other's weaknesses, swift to praise the points of strength in each other, and so always be able to see each other through a lover's kind and patient eyes.

Give them courage, when they hurt each other, to recognize and confess their fault. Give them the grace to seek your forgiveness, and to forgive each other.

Give them enough tears to keep them tender, enough hurts to keep them humble; enough failure to keep their hands clenched tightly in your hand; enough success to make sure they walk with you.

Grant, O God, that at each day's end, they may be found as they are now, hand in hand, thanking you for each other.

Grant that all who have witnessed these vows today may find their lives strengthened, and all who are married may depart with their own promises renewed.

May it ever be so. Amen.

Pronouncement of marriage:

Before God and in the presence of these people, Jace and Jordan have made their solemn vows to each other. They have confirmed their promises by the joining of hands and by the giving and receiving of rings. Therefore I proclaim that they are now husband and wife. Let no one ever separate them.

Tying the Knot:

Jace and Jordan have just sealed their relationship with the giving and receiving of rings. Today their relationship is further symbolized by the tying of a fisherman's knot; a true lovers knot, for it is the strongest there is; its bond will not break, becoming ever stronger under pressure.

Jace and Jordan, will you please tie this knot? ~ (couple begin tying the knot)

These two cords represent your past; each of you as individuals and the unique and special gifts you bring to your marriage. As you fasten your pieces together, these actions represent the present; this moment when you join your two lives into one common purpose. The completed knot represents your future; secure in the knowledge your relationship will continue to be strong despite the inevitable changes life brings. Although the fisherman's knot is one of the simplest to tie, it is also one of the sturdiest. As stress is applied, the knot becomes ever stronger.

It is the goal of marriage to achieve a blending of hearts and lives, but like the spaces between these cords formed by the knot, let there also be spaces in your new life together, so each may encourage and nurture the individual growth of the other.

I ask that you know pull on this rope to see it strengthen under pressure while still allowing us to see the individual cords ~ just as your support of one another as beautiful and blessed individuals strengthens your union. ~ (pull on the rope together)

As you hold one another in mutual concern and shared respect, may you continue holding each other tightly in your hearts and form a strong bond, now and forever. Let this knot indicate the strength of your love and be a symbol of your unity from this day forward.

Blessing:

As God's own, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, and patience, forgiving one another as the Lord has forgiven you, and crown all things with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony.

Let us go in Peace.

Procession and Entrance:

This is the day Carissa and Tom will marry. Let us celebrate their love together!

Statement on the Gift of Marriage:

We gather to give thanks for the gift of marriage, to witness the joining together of Carissa and Tom, and to offer our blessing upon them so that they may be strengthened for their life together.

We are created male and female. Marriage offers the way for husbands and wives to help and comfort each other, living faithfully together in plenty and in want, in joy and in sorrow, in sickness and in health, throughout all their days.

Marriage gives full expression to the love between a man and a woman. In marriage a woman and a man belong to each other, and with affection and tenderness they freely give themselves to each other.

Marriage strengthens human society, provides for the ordering of family life, and for the birth and nurture of children.

Marriage is a holy mystery in which a man and a woman are joined together, and become as one. In marriage, husband and wife are called to a new way of life; this way of life must not be entered into carelessly, or from selfish motives, but responsibly, and carefully.

Therefore, let marriage be held in honor by all.

Prayer:

Gracious God, you are always faithful in your love for us. Look mercifully upon Carissa and Tom who have come seeking your blessing. Let your Spirit rest upon them so that with steadfast love they may honor the promises they make this day and be strengthened by your grace all their days. Amen.

Declarations of intent:

Tom, will you have Carissa to be your wife, and will you love her faithfully as long as you both shall live? "I will"

Carissa., will you have Tom to be your husband, and will you love him faithfully as long as you both shall live? "I will"

Do you, their family and friends, give your blessing to Carissa and Tom? Do you promise to do everything in your power to uphold them in their marriage? (If so, answer):

“We do”

Readings:

On Marriage, from The Prophet by Kahlil Gibran:

You were born together, and together you shall be forevermore.
You shall be together when the white wings of death scatter your days.
Ay, you shall be together even in the silent memory of God.
But let there be spaces in your togetherness,
And let the winds of heavens dance between you.

Love one another, but make not a bond of love:
Let it rather be a moving sea between the shores of your souls.
Fill each other's cup, but drink not from one cup.
Give one another of your bread but eat not from the same loaf.
Sing and dance together and be joyous, but let each one of you be alone,
Even as the strings of a lute are alone though they quiver with the same music.

Give your hearts, but not into each other's keeping.
For only the hand of Life can contain your hearts.
And stand together yet not too near together:
For the pillars of the temple stand apart,
And the oak tree and the cypress grow not in each other's shadow.

Scripture reading: 1 Corinthians 13:1-12

If I speak in the tongues of men and of angels, but have not love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. ... (For) love is patient and kind; love is not jealous or boastful; it is not arrogant or rude.

Love does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; it does not rejoice at wrong but rejoices in the right.

Love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.
Love never ends; as for prophecies, they will pass away; as for tongues; they will cease; as for knowledge; it will pass away.

(But) faith, hope, and love abide these three; (and) the greatest of these is love.

Special Music

Message to Carissa and Tom

Vows:

Carissa and Tom, since it is your intention to marry, join your hands, and with your promises, bind yourselves to one another as husband and wife.

I, Thomas, take you, Carissa Noel, to be my wedded wife,
to have and to hold,
from this day forward,
for better, for worse,
for richer, for poorer,
in sickness and in health,
to love and to cherish,
till death us do part,
according to God's holy ordinance;
and to you I pledge my faith
with all my heart.

I, Carissa Noel, take you, Thomas, to be my wedded husband,
to have and to hold,
from this day forward,
for better, for worse,
for richer, for poorer,
in sickness and in health,
to love and to cherish,
till death us do part,
according to God's holy ordinance;
and to you I pledge my faith
with all my heart.

Exchange of Rings:

What do you each bring as a sign of your covenant and promises to each other?

“A ring.”

The perfect circle of a ring symbolizes eternity. May these rings be to Carissa and Tom signs of unending love and faithfulness, reminding them of the covenant they have made this day.

(Repeat in turn):

This ring symbolizes our union -
for today, tomorrow, and all the years to come.
You are now my life partner, my beloved, my friend.
With this ring, I give you my heart.
I have no greater gift to give.

Wedding prayer:

Eternal God, creator and preserver of all life, giver of all grace: look with favor upon your world and especially upon Carissa and Tom. Grant, O God, that their joys may be doubled since the joy of one is the joy of the other; that their burdens may be cut in half, since when they share they divide the load.

Bless this husband and this wife with faithfulness and devotion. Grant that their lives be so knit together in your will, and their spirits in your Spirit, that they may grow in love and peace with you and each other. May they seek you first, O God. For it is in loving you that they may love each other all the more. It is in being faithful to you that they will be ever faithful to each other.

May they not expect perfection in the other, for that belongs only to you. May they be quick to minimize each other's weaknesses, swift to praise the points of strength in each other, and so always be able to see each other through a lover's kind and patient eyes.

Give them courage, when they hurt each other, to recognize and confess their fault. Give them the grace to seek your forgiveness, and to forgive each other.

Give them enough tears to keep them tender, enough hurts to keep them humble; enough failure to keep their hands clenched tightly in your hand; enough success to make sure they walk with you.

Grant, O God, that at each day's end, they may be found as they are now, hand in hand, thanking you for each other.

Grant that all who have witnessed these vows today may find their lives strengthened, and all who are married may depart with their own promises renewed.

All this we pray through Jesus Christ our Lord, who taught us to pray by saying:

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

Pronouncement of marriage:

Before God and in the presence of these people, Carissa and Tom have made their solemn vows to each other. They have confirmed their promises by the joining of hands and by the giving and receiving of rings. Therefore I proclaim that they are now husband and wife. Let no one ever separate them.

Pouring of the sand:

A marriage brings together two individuals with separate lives. To symbolize the importance of

the individuals within the marriage and the joining of two lives into one entity, 3 colors of sand will now be layered into a base.

We begin with a layer of neutral sand which symbolizes that the marriage is grounded with Christ in their hearts (officiant pours all of the neutral sand into base). Then we layer the individual colors. This symbolizes that the marriage is based on the strength of the individuals (Groom pours some of his sand in, followed by bride pouring about the same amount). And now we combine the colors, which symbolized two lives joined as one together forever. (Bride and Groom put sand into large vase so that the colors combine until their jars are empty)

Charge to the Couple:

As God's own, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, and patience, forgiving one another as the Lord has forgiven you, and crown all things with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony.

Blessing:

The Lord Bless and keep you. The Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace. In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Let us go in Peace.

Recessional

Kaycee and Josh's Wedding

30 minutes of prelude music to be alternated between piano and harp
Seating of mother/grandmothers – To A Wild Rose by Edward MacDowell – Piano
(Trey)

Processional

Entrance of Groomsmen and Bridesmaids – Canon in D by Johann Pachelbel –
Piano and Harp (Trey and Kim)
Entrance of Bride – Bridal Chorus by Richard Wagner – Piano and Harp (Trey and
Kim)

Entrance/Call to Worship:

This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it. As we celebrate Kaycee and Josh's marriage, let us worship God.

Statement on the Gift of Marriage:

We gather in the presence of God to give thanks for the gift of marriage, to witness the joining together of Kaycee and Josh, to surround them with our prayers, and to ask God's blessing upon them, so that they may be strengthened for their life together and nurtured in their love for God.

God created us male and female, and gave us marriage so that husband and wife may help and comfort each other, living faithfully together in plenty and in want, in joy and in sorrow, in sickness and in health, throughout all their days.

God gave us marriage for the full expression of the love between a man and a woman. In marriage a woman and a man belong to each other, and with affection and tenderness freely give themselves to each other.

God gave us marriage for the well-being of human society, for the ordering of family life, for the birth and nurture of children.

God gave us marriage as a holy mystery in which a man and a woman are joined together, and become as one, just as Christ is one with the church.

In marriage, husband and wife are called to a new way of life, created, ordered, and blessed by God. This way of life must not be entered into carelessly, or from selfish motives, but responsibly, and prayerfully.

We rejoice that marriage is given by God, blessed by our Lord Jesus Christ, and sustained by the Holy Spirit. Therefore, let marriage be held in honor by all.

Who gives this woman to be married to this man? (Her mother and I do)

Prayer: Let us pray:

Gracious God, you are always faithful in your love for us. Look mercifully upon Kaycee and Josh, who have come seeking your blessing. Let your Holy Spirit rest upon them so that with steadfast love they may honor the promises they make this day, through Jesus Christ our Savior, Amen.

Scripture Reading: 1 Corinthians 13:1-12 (Groom's Uncle)

If I speak in the tongues of men and of angels, but have not love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. ... (For) love is patient and kind; love is not jealous or boastful; it is not arrogant or rude.

Love does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; it does not rejoice at wrong but rejoices in the right.

Love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. Love never ends; as for prophecies, they will pass away; as for tongues; they will cease; as for knowledge; it will pass away.

(But) faith, hope, and love abide these three; (and) the greatest of these is love.

Declarations of intent:

Josh, do you take Kaycee to be your wife, and will you love her faithfully as long as you both shall live? "I do."

Kaycee, will you have Josh to be your husband, and will you love him faithfully as long as you both shall live? "I do."

Do you, their family and friends, give your blessing to Kaycee and Josh and promise to do everything in your power to uphold them in their marriage? (If so, answer): "We do"

Message to Kaycee and Josh

Feeling now?

Wedding vs. Marriage

Not all feelings feel this good. (Those married?)

First Corinthians (Bears, hopes, believes, endures)

Family tradition

Prism gift

Sum of all colors/feelings

When they don't always feel this good – TALK

Double rainbow

Vows:

Kaycee and Josh, since it is your intention to marry, join your hands, and with your promises, bind yourselves to one another as husband and wife.

I, Josh, take you, Kaycee, to be my wedded wife,
to have and to hold,
from this day forward,
for better, for worse,
for richer, for poorer,
in sickness and in health,
to love and to cherish,
till death do us part,
according to God's holy ordinance;
and to you I pledge my faith
with all my heart.

I, Kaycee, take you, Josh, to be my wedded husband,
to have and to hold,
from this day forward,
for better, for worse,
for richer, for poorer,
in sickness and in health,
to love and to cherish,
till death do us part,
according to God's holy ordinance;
and to you I pledge my faith
with all my heart.

Exchange of Rings:

What do you each bring as a sign of your covenant and promises to each other? "A ring."

By your blessing, O God, may these rings be to Kaycee and Josh signs of unending love and faithfulness, reminding them of the covenant they have made this day, through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

Kaycee, this ring I give you
is a sign of our constant faith
and abiding love,
and with all that I am,
and all that I have,
I honor you.

Josh, this ring I give you
is a sign of our constant faith
and abiding love,
and with all that I am,
and all that I have,
I honor you.

Wedding prayer and Lord's prayer:

Eternal God, creator and preserver of all life, giver of all grace: look with favor upon your world and especially upon Kaycee and Josh. Grant, O God, that their joys may be doubled since the joy of one is the joy of the other; that their burdens may be cut in half, since when they share they divide the load.

Bless this husband and this wife with faithfulness and devotion. Grant that their lives be so knit together in your will, and their spirits in your Spirit, that they may grow in love and peace with you and each other. May they seek you first, O God. For it is in loving you that they may love each other all the more. It is in being faithful to you that they will be ever faithful to each other.

May they not expect perfection in the other, for that belongs only to you. May they be quick to minimize each other's weaknesses, swift to praise the points of strength in each other, and so always be able to see each other through a lover's kind and patient eyes.

Give them courage, when they hurt each other, to recognize and confess their fault. Give them the grace to seek your forgiveness, and to forgive each other.

Give them enough tears to keep them tender, enough hurts to keep them humble; enough failure to keep their hands clenched tightly in your hand; enough success to make sure they walk with you.

Grant, O God, that at each day's end, they may be found as they are now, hand in hand, thanking you for each other.

Grant that all who have witnessed these vows today may find their lives strengthened, and all who are married may depart with their own promises renewed.

All this we pray through Jesus Christ our Lord, who taught us to pray by saying:

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

Unity Candle

A marriage brings together two individuals with separate lives. These candles before us symbolize the union of your marriage. The two outer candles represent the two of you, Kaycee and Josh, as individuals. The center candle, which you will light together, represents the unity which will continue to develop as you are married. The external candles remain lit to show that, even in your unity, you may also remain as individuals.

Unity Candle – Gram's Lullaby by N. Gustavson – Harp (Kim)

Pronouncement of marriage:

Before God and in the presence of these people, Kaycee and Josh have made their solemn vows to each other. They have confirmed their promises by the joining of hands and by the giving and receiving of rings. Therefore I proclaim that they are now husband and wife. Blessed be the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit now and forever. Those whom God has joined together, let no one separate.

You may now kiss the Bride.

Charge to the couple:

As God's own, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, and patience, forgiving one another as the Lord has forgiven you, and crown all things with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony.

Blessing:

The Lord Bless and keep you. The Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace. In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen. Let us go in Peace.

Introduction:

Please welcome Mr. and Mrs. Josh & Kaycee Tabor

Recessional Angel's Hymn by Rhett Barnwell – Piano and Harp (Trey and Kim)

Memorial Service – January 15, 2018

Prelude music --

Welcome, scripture (2 Timothy 4:7), prayer – ...

Let us pray: Our God of grace and glory, we remember and honor L. today and we thank you for giving her to us to know and to love. By your compassionate presence, console us in our mourning. Inspire in us the confidence of a certain faith, the comfort of holy hope, and the peace which passes all understanding; through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

Congregational Hymn: “Be Still My Soul.” (# 819 - First verse)

Remarks from Family

Scripture readings –

Psalm 121

**I lift up mine eyes unto the hills. From whence cometh my help?
My help cometh from the Lord, who made the heavens and the earth.
He will not let your foot be moved; he who keeps you will not slumber.
Behold, he who keeps Israel will neither slumber nor sleep.
The Lord is your keeper; the Lord is your shade on your right hand.
The sun shall not smite you by day, nor the moon by night.
The Lord will keep you from all evil; he will keep your life.
The Lord will watch over your going out and your coming in
from this time forth and for evermore.**

John 14: 1-3

Let not your hearts be troubled; believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father’s house are many mansions; if it were not so would I have told you that I go and prepare a place for you? And when I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and take you to myself, that where I am, you may be also.

“About L.” (Euology)

Prayers and Lord’s Prayer -

Congregational Hymn: “Be Thou My Vision.” (# 450 - First and last verse)

Scripture and Sermon: Genesis 2:18:

Prayer:

Into your hands O merciful Savior we commend L, your servant. Acknowledge her we pray, a sheep of your own fold, a lamb of your own flock. Receive her into the arms of your mercy, into the blessed rest of everlasting peace, and into the glorious company of all the saints in light. Amen.

Congregational Hymn: "All Things Bright and Beautiful" (#20 - First verse.)

Benediction:

To Honor L.: Go into the world in peace. Have courage. Hold onto what is good. Return to no-one evil for evil. Strengthen the faint-hearted, support the weak, help the suffering. Honor all people. Speak and act with love on your lips and in your heart. Be generous. Honor our life together. Be humble. Share good humor. Love. Amen

Postlude music --