

Pittsburgh Presbytery Service of Ordination & Installation  
For Candidates Called to Installed Pastoral Positions  
Who are being Ordained and Installed in the place of their Call

**The Gathering**

Presentation of Candidate – Moderator of the Presbytery or designee  
Call to Worship  
Opening Prayer  
Hymn  
Confession and Pardon  
The Peace of Christ

**The Word**

Prayer for Illumination  
First Reading  
Psalm  
Second Reading  
Hymn or Anthem (optional)  
Gospel Reading  
Sermon  
Hymn

**The Service of Ordination & Installation**

Statement on Ordination – Presbytery Moderator or designee  
Reaffirmation of the Baptismal Covenant and Apostles' Creed  
Anointing with oil (optional)  
Constitutional Questions to the Candidate – Presbytery Moderator or designee  
Constitutional Questions to the Congregation – a Ruling Elder of the congregation  
Prayer of Ordination  
Declaration of Ordination and Installation – Presbytery Moderator or designee  
Welcome by Members of Presbytery  
Charge to the Newly Ordained and Installed Pastor  
Charge to the Congregation  
Presentation of Symbols of Ministry  
Hymn

*Option A:*

**Responding to the Word (with the Eucharist)**

Invitation to the Lord's Table  
Offering  
Great Thanksgiving and the Lord's Prayer  
Words of Institution/Breaking of the Bread  
Communion of the People  
Prayer after Communion

*Option B:*

**Responding to the Word (without the Eucharist)**

Offering

Prayer of Thanksgiving and the Lord's Prayer

**The Sending**

Hymn

Charge – a deacon, if available

Blessing – newly Installed Pastor/Associate Pastor

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Notes

1. The full service of Ordination including texts is found in the [Book of Occasional Services](#), pages 45-80. The outline of the service, including Constitutional questions, is found in *The Book of Order* (W-4.4005)
2. The Service of Ordination of a Minister of Word and Sacrament is conducted by Pittsburgh Presbytery, and takes place as guided by the *Book of Order*, W-4.4002: "The service of ordination or installation of a teaching elder shall be conducted at a convenient time to enable the substantial participation of the presbytery."
3. Offerings at Services of Ordination are designated for the Oldman Fund (a scholarship fund for Inquirers/Candidates of Pittsburgh Presbytery). After the offering has been counted, a check may be sent to the Pittsburgh Presbytery for the same amount.