

## **JESUS CHRIST IS HEAD OF THE CHURCH**

“Almighty God, who raised Jesus Christ from the dead and set him above all rule and authority, has given to him all power in heaven and on earth, not only in this age but also in the age to come. God has put all things under the Lordship of Jesus Christ and has made Christ Head of the Church, which is his body...”

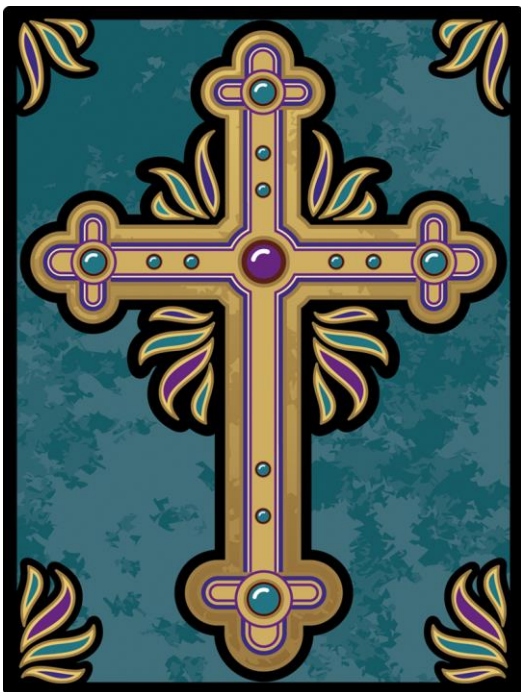
*(F-1.0201 - Book of Order)*

## **THE SESSION**

“The session is the council for the congregation... The session shall have responsibility for governing the congregation and guiding its witness to the sovereign activity of God in the world, so that the congregation is and becomes a community of faith, hope, love, and witness...”.

*(G-3.0201, G - Book of Order)*

**THE ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION  
OF RULING ELDERS  
GREGORY MEMORIAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
PC (USA)**



**Sunday, November 17, 2024**

**Rev. Marvin Daniel  
Officiant**

## **RULING ELDERS**

“As there were in Old Testament times, **elders** for the government of the people, so the New Testament Church provided persons with particular gifts to share in discernment of God’s Spirit and governance of God’s people. Accordingly, congregations should elect persons of wisdom and maturity of faith, having demonstrated skills in leadership and being compassionate in spirit. Ruling elders are so named not because they ‘lord it over’ the congregation (Matt. 20:25) but because they are chosen by the congregation to discern and measure its fidelity to the Word of God, and to strengthen and nurture its faith and life...

When elected by the congregation, they shall serve faithfully as members of the session...”  
*(G-2.0301 - Book of Order)*

### **To Be Ordained and Installed:**

Jonathan Mendoza (Class of 2027)

### **To Be Installed:**

Blake Bishop (Class of 2027)

Susan Shockley (Class of 2027)

## SERVICE OF ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION

“A service of ordination, installation, or commissioning focuses on Christ and the joy and responsibility of serving him through the mission and the ministry of the church...”

*(W-4.0403 - Book of Order)*

Purpose and Nature of the Office

The Calling Forth

The Constitutional Questions

Questions to the Congregation

Laying On of Hands (For Ordination)

Declarations of Ordination and Installation

Reception of Certificates and Welcome

Prayer