



Capital Area Council of Churches
2023 Assembly
February 8, 2024
Agenda

6:00 pm Social Time

6:30 pm Welcome from Council – *Peter Crasto-Donnelly, President*

Opening Prayer

Financial & Budget — *William Hedberg, Finance Committee*

Nominations — *Peter Crasto-Donnelly, Nominations Chair*

Installation of New Board Member & Officers, *Peter Crasto-Donnelly*

Recognition of Outgoing Board Members - *Margaret Danes*

7:00 pm Thriving Congregations

- Program Introduction – *Bruce France*
- "Autopsy of a Deceased Church" – *Rev. Dr. Roxanne Jones-Booth*
- "Get Their Name" – *Bruce France*
- Small Group Discussion – *All*
- Small Group Report Out – *Bruce France*

7:45 pm Ecumenical Liaison Initiative – *Peter Crasto-Donnelly*

7:55 pm Closing Prayer – *Bruce France*

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LITURGY OF INSTALLATION

Newly elected Officers, Directors, and Committee/ Commission members please come forward and face the body.

One: Brothers and sisters, you have been called and elected to special ecumenical ministry and service. Are you now willing to be installed as Officers, Directors, and Servants of this Council?

Response: We are.

One: Do you welcome this responsibility because you are determined to follow the Lord Jesus, to love neighbors, and to work for the reconciling of the world?

Response: We do.

One: Will you serve the people with energy, intelligence, imagination, and love, relying on God's mercy and rejoicing in God's promises through Jesus Christ?

Response: We will.

AFFIRMATION BY THE COUNCIL

One: Do we, members of this Council, accept these, our brothers and sisters, as Officers, Directors, and Servants?

Response: We do.

PRAYER OF INSTALLATION (unison)

God of grace, who called us to a common ministry as ambassadors of Christ, trusting us with the message of reconciliation: give us the courage and discipline to follow where your servants rightly lead us, that together, we may declare your wonderful deeds and show your love to the world; through Jesus Christ, Lord of all. Amen.

One: Brothers and sisters, you are now duly installed as Officers, Directors, and Servants in the Council. Whatever you do, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God through him.

Response: Amen.

Newly installed persons, please return to your seats.

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Closing Prayer

(Please read in two voices, Group A and Group B alternating.)

- (A) Leadership is hard to define.
Lord, let us be the ones to define it with justice.
- (B) Leadership is like a handful of water.
Lord, let us be the people to share it with those who thirst.
- (A) Leadership is not about watching and correcting.
Lord, let us remember it is about listening and connecting.
- (B) Leadership is not about telling people what to do.
Lord, let us find out what people want.
- (A) Leadership is less about the love of power,
and more about the power of love.
- (B) Lord, as we continue to undertake the role of leader let us be
affirmed by the servant leadership we witness in your son Jesus.
Let us walk in the path He has set and let those who will, follow.
- (A) Let our greatest passion be compassion.
Our greatest strength love.
Our greatest victory the reward of peace.
- (B) In leading let us never fail to follow.
In loving let us never fail.
- All: Amen.

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