

The Church of England in Essex and East London

Diocese of Chelmsford

# A Service to Institute, Induct and Install The Revd Amy Stott

as the Vicar of St Luke's,Victoria Dock

## with

the Bishop of Barking

# The Rt Revd Peter Hill

## and

# the acting Archdeacon of West Ham **Rev Jeremy Fraser**

Monday 19<sup>th</sup> April 2021 St Luke's,Victoria Dock

## The Gathering

The area dean welcomes the people

#### The Greeting

BishopGrace, mercy and peace,<br/>from God our Father<br/>and the Lord Jesus Christ,<br/>be with youAlland also with you.

The bishop introduces the service with these or other suitable words

*Bishop* We have come together in the presence of God, to welcome Amy to this parish, to institute her to the ministry she will share, to pray for Amy and for those who minister with her, and to dedicate ourselves afresh to the service of God in this community and to the call which God makes of each one of us.

> Let us therefore wait humbly upon God, giving thanks for all that God has done, and asking forgiveness for those ways in which we have failed each other, our communities, and God.

#### **Prayers of Penitence**

The bishop introduces the prayers of penitence

Lord Jesus, you said to your disciples: 'You have not chosen me, but I have chosen you.' Lord have mercy.

All Lord have mercy

Lord Jesus, we know that the harvest is plentiful but the labourers are few. Christ have mercy  All Christ have mercy
 Lord Jesus you appointed us to go out and bear fruit that will last. Lord have mercy
 All Lord have mercy
 Bishop May the God of love bring us back to himself, forgive us our sins and assure us of his eternal love in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### **Presentation of the New Minister**

The patron (or in the patron's absence the archdeacon, area dean) leads the new minister to stand before the bishop and says

	Right Reverend Father in God, after due consultation and prayerful consideration, Amy has been nominated and has accepted to be Vicar of this parish. I now present her to you to be instituted.
Bishop	I thank you, and all those who with prayer have been involved in the appointment of Amy to this parish
	Amy, do you believe, so far as you know your own heart, that God has called you to serve here?
Amy	I believe that God has called me.
Bishop	Will you commit yourself to the mission and ministry of the people in this place, to further the kingdom of God?

#### Amy With the help of God, I will.

Amy turns to face the congregation, whom the bishop addresses as a whole

	People of God, will you welcome Amy
	and support and uphold her in her ministry,
	now and in the years to come?
All	With the help of God, we will.
	Will you stir up the gift of God which is in you,
	to work with Amy for the building of God's kingdom here?
All	With the help of God, we will.

### The Collect

The Bishop says, Let us pray, and all pray silently for a moment.

God our Father, Lord of all the world, Bishop through your Son you have called us into the fellowship of your universal Church: hear our prayer for your faithful people, that in their vocation and ministry, each may be an instrument of your love, and give to your servant Amy now to be instituted the needful gifts of grace; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. All Amen.

## The Liturgy of the Word

### Reading Ephesians 3:14-21.

<sup>14</sup> For this reason I bow my knees before the Father,<sup>15</sup> from whom every family<sup>[a]</sup> in heaven and on earth is named, <sup>16</sup> that according to the riches of his glory he may grant you to be strengthened with power through his Spirit in your inner being, <sup>17</sup> so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith—that you, being rooted and grounded in love, <sup>18</sup> may have strength to comprehend with all the saints what is the breadth and length and height and depth, <sup>19</sup> and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.

<sup>20</sup> Now to him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, according to the power at work within us, <sup>21</sup> to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever.Amen.

AllThis is the word of the Lord.AllThanks be to God.

Sermon The Rt Revd Bishop of Barking, Peter Hill

Mide Sotubo- Spoken Word Piece

### The Liturgy of Institution

#### The Dedication of the Ministers and People

In the following action symbols may be held up by a member of the congregation The archdeacon says Amy be among us as one who rejoices to bring new Christians to baptism.Be among us as one who studies and teaches the Scriptures.Be among us as a woman of prayer.Be among us as a woman of the eucharist.

Jesus said, If anyone wants to be my disciple, let them deny themselves, take up their cross and follow me. Amy be among us as one who holds onto the cross of Christ and shares it with others.

All Together, by God's grace, we will walk in the way of the cross.

#### Amy responds.

I pledge myself to lead the communities of faith committed to my charge, to share with them the Word of God and the work of ministry, to celebrate with them the sacraments of the new covenant, and to encourage them in their discipleship and ministry. Together may we make this a place where Christian people are equipped for their life and witness in God's world.

#### The congregation responds

All Together, by God's grace, we give ourselves to the ministry of the gospel in these communities, to work for God's kingdom of justice and peace and to share the message of Christ.

#### The Declaration and Oaths

The people sit and the new minister stands before the bishop.

*Bishop* The Church of England is part of the one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church, worshipping the one true God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit. It professes the faith uniquely revealed in the holy Scriptures and set forth in the catholic creeds, which faith the Church is called upon to proclaim afresh in each generation.

Led by the Holy Spirit, it has borne witness to Christian truth in its historic formularies, the Thirty-nine Articles of Religion, The Book of Common Prayer and the Ordering of Bishops, Priests and Deacons.

In the declaration you are about to make, will you affirm your loyalty to this inheritance of faith as your inspiration and guidance under God, in bringing the grace and truth of Christ to this generation and making him known to those in your care?

#### Amy makes the declaration of assent

I, Amy Elizabeth Stott, do so affirm, and accordingly declare my belief in the faith which is revealed in the holy Scriptures and set forth in the catholic creeds, and to which the historic formularies of the Church of England bear witness; and in public prayer and administration of the sacraments, I will use only the forms of service which are authorised or allowed by canon.

Amy turns and faces the people and, taking a Bible in her right hand, swears the oath of allegiance

I, Amy Elizabeth Stott do swear that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth the Second, her heirs and successors, according to law: so help me God.

Facing the bishop, and still holding the Bible, Amy swears the oath of canonical obedience

I, Amy Elizabeth Stott, do swear by almighty God, that I will pay true and canonical obedience to the Lord Bishop of Chelmsford, the Area Bishop of Barking and their successors, in all things lawful and honest: so help me God.

Amy signs the declaration and oaths. The bishop signs the Deed.

### The Institution

The people stand. The bishop reads the-Deed of Institution and gives it to Amy, saying

Receive this cure of souls, which is both yours and mine; in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.** 

The bishop commends Amy and the ministry team to the prayers of the people.

They kneel in silence.

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All

The bishop may invite Amy to anoint herself with the oil of Chrism, while he says

Amy, remember your baptism into Christ. Remember your ordination in the Church of God. May God who anointed Jesus Christ with the Holy Spirit anoint and empower you for the blessing of God's people. **Amen.** 

The ministry team and other licensed ministers of the parish/benefice, including the churchwardens, join Amy, and they stand before the bishop.

Ministry is the work of the whole people of God. Members of the ministry team, you have specific responsibilities to serve and lead God's people in these communities. Will you welcome Amy to the team, and work creatively and faithfully with her, meeting regularly for prayer, study and fellowship, and doing all in your power to support each other in fulfilling the ministry of Christ and working with the people of God in this place?

*Team* With the help of God, we will.

Taking his pastoral staff, the bishop commissions and blesses Amy and the ministry team, saying

I commission you to work together with all God's people, so that Christ may be made known and his kingdom established.

The God of all faithfulness strengthen you for your ministry and commitment to one another; the God of all grace give you vision, courage and joy; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and upon all your work done in his name, now and for ever.

All Amen.

#### **The Induction**

The people remain standing while the bishop delivers the Mandate of Induction to the archdeacon, saying

Archdeacon, I have instituted *Amy* to ministry in this parish. I ask you to induct her, in the presence of this congregation, and to support her in her ministry here.

The churchwardens lead the archdeacon and the minister to the door of the church, and the people turn to face the door. The archdeacon lays the hand of the minister on the key or handle of the door, saying

> By virtue of the authority given me, I induct you into the real, actual and corporeal possession of the parish church of St Luke, Victoria Dock, with all the rights and responsibilities belonging to it.

The churchwardens symbolically present the key(s) of the church to the minister saying

Amy, receive these keys	
in token of the responsibility which we share;	
and may the Lord preserve your going out	
and your coming in, now and always.	
Amen.	

All Amen.

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The archdeacon then leads Amy to her stall in the church, and places her in it, saying

Amy, I install you as Vicar of this parish. Pray for your people, lead them in worship and service, and encourage them in their witness to the Gospel of Jesus Christ in the power of the Holy Spirit.

### The Welcome

The bishop presents Amy to the people, saying

People of this parish, I present to you your new Vicar, now duly instituted, inducted and installed, and I invite you to greet her in the name of Christ.
I commend her to your love and to your prayers.
We welcome you!
May the Lord richly bless you and make you a blessing among us.

The congregation greets Amy with a rapturous round of applause, whistles and foot stamping.

The area dean and lay chair welcome the new minister into the deanery with suitable words. The area dean may, if appropriate, introduce representatives of the church and community, particularly any ecumenical partners, who also greet the new minister

#### **Prayers of Intercession**

The people kneel or sit for prayers of intercession, led by Amy

The Lord's Prayer

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, the power and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

Amy gives out any notices.

The Dismissal

To a troubled world Peace from Christ To a searching world Love from Christ To a waiting world Hope from Christ. The bishop pronounces God's blessing with these or other suitable words

BishopAlmighty God,<br/>who for the salvation of the world<br/>gives to his people many gifts and ministries<br/>to the advancement of his glory,<br/>stir up in you the gifts of his grace,<br/>and sustain each one of you in your own ministry;<br/>and the blessing of God almighty,<br/>the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,<br/>be among you and remain with you always.AllAmen.