

In Celebration and Thankfulness to God
for the Life of

Donald Elmer Henckel

Born: July 17, 1935

Entered Heaven: November 14, 2020

November 24, 2020

12::00PM

PRE-SERVICE MUSIC

WELCOME

OPENING HYMN #727

“On Eagles’ Wings”

You who dwell in the shelter of the Lord,
Who abide in His shadow for life,
Say to the Lord: “My refuge,
My rock in whom I trust!”

Refrain: And He will raise you up on eagles’ wings,
Bear you on the breath of dawn,
Make you to shine like the sun,
And hold you in the palm of His hand.

The snare of the fowler will never capture you,
And famine will bring you no fear;
Under His wings your refuge,
His faithfulness your shield. Refrain

For to His angels He’s given a command
To guard you in all of your ways;
Upon their hands they will bear you up,
Lest you dash your foot against a stone. Refrain

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PLACEMENT OF THE PALL

REMEMBRANCE OF BAPTISM

P: In Holy Baptism, Don was clothed with the robe of Christ’s
righteousness that covered all his sin. St. Paul says: *“Do you not know that all
of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into His death?”*

C: We were buried therefore with Him by baptism into death, in
order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father,
we too might walk in newness of life. For if we have been united with Him in
a death like His, we shall certainly be united with Him in a resurrection like
His.

P: In his baptism, Don put on Christ; in the day of Christ's coming, he shall be clothed with glory.

PRAYER

P: Lord God, maker of heaven and earth and giver of life, we give thanks for all the mercies You granted Don during his earthly life, especially for calling him to faith in Jesus Christ. Comfort all who mourn Don's death with the certainty of the glorious resurrection of the body and a joyful reunion in heaven. Remind us that we also are mortal, and prepare each of us for that day when we too receive the glory promised to all who trust in Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Q: Amen.

SONG "I Can Only Imagine"

Jeff Lippert; soloist

Karen Lippert; keyboard

INVOCATION

P: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

GOD'S WORD OF HOPE AND COMFORT

P: We have come together to seek God's comfort in our sorrow and to rejoice in the promise of the resurrection. Grace and peace to you from God our Father and from the Lord Jesus Christ, who said, *"Come to Me, all who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest."*

C: Thanks be to God.

P: "Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of all compassion and the God of all comfort, who comforts us in all our troubles, so that we can comfort those in any trouble with the comfort we ourselves have received from God." (2 Cor. 1:3-4) The apostle Paul writes to the Romans, "The wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life." And Jesus Himself gives us this comfort: "I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in Me will live, even though he dies; and whoever lives and believes in Me will never die."

C: **Death has been swallowed up in victory! Thanks be to God!**

PRAYER

P: O God of grace and mercy, we give thanks for Your loving-kindness to Your servant Don who, having finished his course in faith, now rests from his labors. Grant that we also may be faithful to death and receive the crown of eternal life; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

FIRST READING

Psalm 23

*The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.
He makes me lie down in green pastures.
He leads me beside still waters.
He restores my soul.
He leads me in paths of righteousness
for His name's sake.
Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,
I will fear no evil,
for You are with me;
Your rod and Your staff,
they comfort me.
You prepare a table before me
in the presence of my enemies;
You anoint my head with oil;
my cup overflows.
Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me
all the days of my life,
and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord
forever.*

SECOND READING

Revelation 21:1-7

Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. ² And I saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. ³ And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "Behold, the dwelling place of God is with man. He will dwell with them, and they will be his people, and God himself will be with them as their God. ⁴ He will wipe away every tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning, nor crying, nor pain anymore, for the former things have passed away." ⁵ And he who was seated on the throne said, "Behold, I am making all things new." Also he said, "Write this down, for these words are trustworthy and true." ⁶ And he said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give from the spring of the water of life without payment. ⁷ The one who conquers will have this heritage, and I will be his God and he will be my son.

HYMN

"I Know That My Redeemer Lives"

**I know that my Redeemer lives;
What comfort this sweet sentence gives!
He lives, He lives, who once was dead;
He lives, my ever-living head.**

**He lives triumphant from the grave;
He lives eternally to save;
He lives all-glorious in the sky;
He lives exalted there on high.**

**He lives and grants me daily breath;
He lives, and I shall conquer death;**

He lives my mansion to prepare;
He lives to bring me safely there.

He lives, all glory to His name!
He lives, my Jesus, still the same;
Oh, the sweet joy this sentence gives:
I know that my Redeemer lives!

FIRST GOSPEL READING

Luke 23:33-43

*And when they came to the place that is called The Skull, there they crucified him, and the criminals, one on his right and one on his left.³⁴ And Jesus said, "Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do." And they cast lots to divide his garments. ³⁵ And the people stood by, watching, but the rulers scoffed at him, saying, "He saved others; let him save himself, if he is the Christ of God, his Chosen One!" ³⁶ The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine ³⁷ and saying, "If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!" ³⁸ There was also an inscription over him, "This is the King of the Jews."
³⁹ One of the criminals who were hanged railed at him, saying, "Are you not the Christ? Save yourself and us!" ⁴⁰ But the other rebuked him, saying, "Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? ⁴¹ And we indeed justly, for we are receiving the due reward of our deeds; but this man has done nothing wrong." ⁴² And he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." ⁴³ And he said to him, "Truly, I say to you, today you will be with me in paradise."*

SECOND GOSPEL READING

John 14:1-6

"Let not your hearts be troubled. Believe in God; believe also in me. ² In my Father's house are many rooms. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? ³ And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, that where I am you may be also. ⁴ And you know the way to where I am going." ⁵ Thomas said to him, "Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?" ⁶ Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me."

SERMON

"Our Power Source"

Pastor Seth Flick

SERMON HYMN

"Amazing Grace"

Amazing grace—how sweet the sound—
That saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost but now am found,
Was blind but now I see!

The Lord has promised good to me,
His Word my hope secures;

He will my shield and portion be
As long as life endures.

Through many dangers, toils, and snares
I have already come;
His grace has brought me safe thus far,
His grace will lead me home.

Yes, when this flesh and heart shall fail
And mortal life shall cease,
Amazing grace shall then prevail
In heaven's joy and peace.

APOSTLES' CREED

P: God has made us His people through our Baptism into Christ Jesus. Living together in trust and hope, we confess our common faith.

C: I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS

P: O God, Father in heaven, have mercy on us, Your children. When sadness and loss overwhelm us, comfort us with the truth of the resurrection to life for all who trust in Christ. Lord in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: Jesus, living Redeemer who has died and has come back to life again, we praise You for Your promise that all who are faithful to the point of death will receive the crown of life. When persecution, suffering, hardship and pain become overwhelming in our lives, draw our eyes to the cross where You shed Your blood to secure our salvation. Assure us once again of Your love. Lord in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: Holy Spirit, when the word of truth, the word of the resurrection came to those who were at the tomb, You caused them to receive that word in faith. In this time of grief and mourning may the truth of resurrection hope in Christ sustain us and give us strength. Help us to always trust You rather than put our hope in any other place. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: Receive our thanks for Don and for all the blessings You bestowed on him in this earthly life. Bring us at last to our heavenly home that with him we may see You face to face in the joys of paradise. Lord, in Your mercy.
C: hear our prayer.

P: God of all grace, You sent Your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, to bring life and immortality to light. We give You thanks that by His death He destroyed the power of death and by His resurrection opened the kingdom of heaven to all believers. Strengthen us in the confidence that because He lives we too shall live and that neither death nor life nor things present nor things to come will be able to separate us from Your love which is in Christ Jesus our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
C: Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

All: 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 and ever. Amen.

BENEDICTION

P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.
C: Amen.

CLOSING HYMN

“How Great Thou Art”

O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder
Consider all the works Thy hand hath made,
I see the stars, I hear the mighty thunder,
Thy pow'r throughout the universe displayed; Refrain.

Ref: Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee,
How great Thou art! How great Thou art!
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When through the woods and forest glades I wander,
I hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees;
When I look down from lofty mountain grandeur
And hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze; Refrain.

But when I think that God, His Son not sparing,
Sent Him to die, I scarce can take it in—
That on the cross my burden gladly bearing
He bled and died to take away my sin; Refrain.

When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation
And take me home, what joy shall fill my heart!
Then I shall bow in humble adoration
And there proclaim: "My God, how great Thou art!"
Refrain.

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