



*“I am the resurrection  
and the life. He who  
believes in Me,  
though he may die, he  
shall live.”* John 11:25

**SERVICE OF WORSHIP AND PRAISE TO GOD FOR  
HIS BLESSING THROUGH THE LIFE OF:**

✠ **Donald L. Rogers** ✠

Born – November 22, 1942

Called home – October 1, 2021

Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church – Livonia, Michigan

Friday, October 8, 2021

12:00 p.m.

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## **ORDER OF WORSHIP**

### **CONFIDENCE THROUGH FAITH IN JESUS**

*In peace and joy I now depart Since God so wills it.  
Serene and confident my heart; Stillness fills it.  
For the Lord has promised me That death is but a slumber.  
Christ Jesus brought this gift to me, My faithful Savior,  
Whom You have made my eyes to see By Your favor.  
Now I know He is my life, My friend when I am dying.  
Christ is the hope and saving light Of those in blindness;  
He guides and comforts those in night By His kindness.  
For Your chosen people In Him find joy and glory.*

### **PASTORAL GREETING**

**P:** Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the source of all mercy and the God of all consolation. He comforts us in all our sorrows so that we can comfort others in their sorrows with the consolation we ourselves have received from God.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

### **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 were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into His death?"

**C: We were therefore buried with Him through baptism into death in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, we too may live a new life. If we have been united with Him in His death, we will certainly also be united with Him in His resurrection.**

*Romans 6:3-5*

**OPENING HYMN** "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" *LSB 790, v. 1-3, 5*

- 1. Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!**  
**O my soul, praise Him, for He is your health and salvation!**  
**Let all who hear Now to His temple draw near,**  
**Joining in glad adoration!**
  
- 2. Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things is wondrously reigning**  
**And, as on wings of an eagle, uplifting, sustaining.**  
**Have you not seen All that is needful has been**  
**Sent by His gracious ordaining?**
  
- 3. Praise to the Lord, who has fearfully, wondrously, made you,**  
**Health has bestowed and, when heedlessly falling, has stayed**  
**you.**  
**What need or grief Ever has failed of relief?**  
**Wings of His mercy did shade you.**
  
- 5. Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore Him!**  
**All that has life and breath, come now with praises before Him!**  
**Let the Amen Sound from His people again;**  
**Gladly forever adore Him!**

**INVOCATION**

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

**C:** **Amen.**

**RESPONSIVE READING OF RESURRECTION COMFORT**

**P:** Praise be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! The Apostle Paul writes to the Romans: "The wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord." Jesus gives us this comfort: "I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in me, though he dies, yet shall he live; and whoever lives and believes in me shall never die." Death has been swallowed up in victory! Thanks be to God!

**C:** **He gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.**

**P:** When Christ, who is our life appears,

**C:** **Then we also shall appear with Him in glory.**

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P: We will be before the throne of God

**C: And serve Him day and night in His temple.**

P: Never again will we hunger;

**C: Never again will we thirst.**

P: For the Lamb at the center of the throne will be our shepherd. He will lead us to springs of living water.

**C: And God will wipe away every tear from our eyes.**

## **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

### **READINGS**

Psalm 146  
Job 19:23-27a  
John 11:20-27

### **OUR CONFESSION OF FAITH—The Apostles' Creed**

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

### **SERMON HYMN**

*"What a Friend We Have in Jesus"*

*LSB 770*

- 1. What a friend we have in Jesus,  
All our sins and griefs to bear!  
What a privilege to carry  
Ev'rything to God in prayer!  
Oh, what peace we often forfeit;  
Oh, what needless pain we bear—  
All because we do not carry  
Ev'rything to God in prayer!**

2. **Have we trials and temptations?  
Is there trouble anywhere?  
We should never be discouraged—  
Take it to the Lord in prayer.  
Can we find a friend so faithful  
Who will all our sorrows share?  
Jesus knows our ev'ry weakness—  
Take it to the Lord in prayer.**
  
3. **Are we weak and heavy laden,  
Cumbered with a load of care?  
Precious Savior, still our refuge—  
Take it to the Lord in prayer.  
Do thy friends despise, forsake thee?  
Take it to the Lord in prayer.  
In His arms He'll take and shield thee;  
Thou wilt find a solace there.**

## **SERMON**

## **PRAYERS**

### **MEDITATION THROUGH MUSIC**

"Communion"

*Don Rogers*

"Meditation"

*Don Rogers*

## **LORD'S PRAYER**

**P:** Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

**C:** **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.**

## CLOSING VERSES

P: "The eternal God is your refuge,

**C: And underneath are the everlasting arms."** *Deut. 33:27a*

P: "And my God will meet all your needs...

**C: according to His glorious riches in Christ Jesus."** *Phil. 4:19*

P: "The Lord will be your everlasting light,

**C: And your days of sorrow will end."** *Isaiah 60:20b*

## BENEDICTION

**CLOSING HYMN** "Take My Hand, Precious Lord" *Thomas Dorsey*

**Precious Lord, take my hand  
Lead me on, let me stand  
I'm tired, I'm weak, I'm lone  
Through the storm, through the night  
Lead me on to the light  
Take my hand precious Lord, lead me home**

**When my way grows drear precious Lord linger near  
When my light is almost gone  
Hear my cry, hear my call  
Hold my hand lest I fall  
Take my hand precious Lord, lead me home**

**When the darkness appears and the night draws near  
And the day is past and gone  
At the river I stand  
Guide my feet, hold my hand  
Take my hand precious Lord, lead me home**

**Precious Lord, take my hand  
Lead me on, let me stand  
I'm tired, I'm weak, I'm lone  
Through the storm, through the night  
Lead me on to the light  
Take my hand precious Lord, lead me home**

Frankie and her family invite you to join them for a luncheon following the service in the gym.



**SERVICE PARTICIPANTS**

*Officiating/Preaching:* Rev. Dean Davenport

*Organist:* Ken Bowman

*Elder:* Fritz Quitmeyer

*Readers:* Bob & Adele Luxa  
Debbie Reeve  
Dan Rogers





Donald L. Rogers of Westland, formerly of Belleair Bluffs, Florida, passed on October 1, 2021, age 78. He was the beloved husband of 57 years of Mary Frances, cherished father of Deb (Chris) Reeve and Dan Rogers, dear brother of Phyllis (Robert) Cant, and proud grandpa of Chloe Reeve. A Memorial Service will be held on Friday, October 8th at 11 AM at Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church, 14175 Farmington Road in Livonia. Arrangements entrusted with Vermeulen-Sajewski Funeral Home, Westland.