

To the Glory of God and in Memory of Don Paul Lamb

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All Saints Presbyterian Church - Austin, TX

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"Forever in Your Debt"
With thanks to those who blew the wind,
And those who sailed the ship.
We sailed it tight against the tide,
And I shall be forever in your debt.
- by Kirk Jones

Dear friends and family,

Rather than use this space to describe the ways in which Paul was great, we'd like to thank you for joining us in celebrating Paul and—more importantly—thank you for so enriching his life.

Because of you, Paul knew he was appreciated, respected, and adored. Normally the words spoken on a day such as today would come too late for the one who is gone, but thanks to you Paul already knew how we would feel in this moment. Your love and friendship gave Paul joy, helped him live every day with compassion, and strengthened him these last few years as his body ran out of oil.

I remember Paul telling my brother, sister, and I when we were kids that he wouldn't be able to carry us forever. I think he was wrong—you carried him and because of you he is still carrying us.

Thank you also for joining us in thanking Paul and congratulating him on being a great man.

-Wade Lamb and the family of Paul Lamb

PRELUDE

PROCESSIONAL

IT IS WELL WITH MY SOUL Solo - B. Sterling Archer

WELCOME AND PREPARATION

"Ceremony is what we do, when to do nothing would leave us either frantic and awash in our emotions, or worse, totally oblivious to the mysteries of God unfolding before us."

-D.G. Hart

LAKOTA PRAYER

SUNG BY ELLE JETT DENYER, NIECE OF PAUL

"When you were born you cried and the world rejoiced

Live your life so that when you die

The world cries and you rejoice."

CALL TO WORSHIP

Minister: I am the Resurrection and the Life, says the Lord.

Whoever has faith in me shall have life,

even though he die.

And everyone who has life,

and has committed himself to me in faith,

shall not die for ever.

People: I know that my Redeemer lives

and that at the last he will stand upon the earth.

Minister After my awaking, he will raise me up;

and in my body I shall see God.

I myself shall see, and my eyes behold him who is my friend and not a stranger.

People: For none of us lives to himself, and no man dies to himself.

Minister: For if we live, we live unto the Lord;

and if we die, we die unto the Lord.

Whether we live, therefore, or die, we are the Lord's.

Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord;

People: Even so says the Spirit, for they rest from their labors.

Minister: The Lord be with you.

People: And with your spirit.

Minister: Let us pray.

O God, whose mercies cannot be numbered: Accept our prayers on behalf of your servant Don Paul Lamb; we thank you for granting him an entrance into the land of light and joy, in the fellowship of all your saints; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and

for ever. Amen.

CONGREGATIONAL 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.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and grace my fears relieved; How precious did that grace appear the hour I first believed.

And when this flesh and heart shall fail, and mortal life shall cease, I shall possess, within the veil, a life of joy and peace.

(Words: John Newton and John Rees (vs. 5), Music: American folk tune, CCLI license #2476739)

HONORING PAUL

PERSONAL REFLECTIONS

Davey Schmidt - Friend and Colleague Anthony Davis - Friend and Colleague

RICH FROM THE JOURNEY BY KIMMIE RHODES

SUNG BY ELLE JETT DENYER

We stood before the waving sea and stared at vast infinity, and praised the life that brought us here to take our ride upon this sphere, for when we reach the distant shore I know we'll be returning, rich from the journey, rich from the journey. You never know what's up ahead. The tempest rolls and the skies are red, but, off into the world that waits between tomorrow and today, to seek our fortunes and our fates, driven by this yearning, to be rich from the journey, rich from the journey. ... And when it's time to leave the harbor of this dream we'll have a heart that's filled with memories. So sail away sweet soul in peace. Hoist your sails into the breeze. Beneath these stars so hard to read, Godspeed the winds that carry me and tell my friends to look for me for soon I'll be returning, rich from the journey, rich from the journey rich from the journey, rich from the journey.

PERSONAL REFLECTIONS

Dennis Lewis - friend Jane Mecom - Sister of Paul

READINGS

Mr. Keith Brown - Nephew of Paul

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Isaiah 40:28-31

Have you not known? Have you not heard?

The Lord is the everlasting God,

the Creator of the ends of the earth.

He does not faint or grow weary;

his understanding is unsearchable.

29 He gives power to the faint,

and to him who has no might he increases strength.

30 Even youths shall faint and be weary,

and young men shall fall exhausted:

31 but they who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength;

they shall mount up with wings like eagles;

they shall run and not be weary;

they shall walk and not faint.

NEW TESTAMENT READINGS

EPHESIANS 4:32

Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you.

JOHN 13:34-35

A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another: just as I have loved you, you also are to love one another. 35 By this all people will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

I JOHN 3:17-18

But if anyone has the world's goods and sees his brother in need, yet closes his heart against him, how does God's love abide in him? 18 Little children, let us not love in word or talk but in deed and in truth.

COLOSSIANS 3:12

Put on then, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, compassionate hearts, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience,

Reader: The Word of the LORD

People: Thanks be to God!

GOSPEL READING

MARK 4:35-41

On that day, when evening had come, he said to them, "Let us go across to the other side." 36 And leaving the crowd, they took him with them in the boat, just as he was. And other boats were with him. 37 And a great windstorm arose, and the waves were breaking into the boat, so that the boat was already filling. 38 But he was in the stern, asleep on the cushion. And they woke him and said to him, "Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?" 39 And he awoke and rebuked the wind and said to the sea, "Peace! Be still!" And the wind ceased, and there was a great calm. 40 He said to them, "Why are you so afraid? Have you still no faith?" 41 And they were filled with great fear and said to one another, "Who then is this, that even the wind and the sea obey him?"

Reader: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise be to you, Lord Christ.

HOMILY

Rev. Tim Frickenschmidt

PROCLAMATION OF FAITH AND PRAYER

Minister: Christian, what do you believe?

People: 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 Ghost,

Born of the Virgin Mary, Suffered under Pontius Pilate, Was crucified, dead, and buried;

He descended into hell;

The third day He rose again from the dead;

He ascended into heaven,

And sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; From thence He shall come to judge the quick and the

I believe in the Holy Ghost; The holy catholic Church; The communion of saints; The forgiveness of sins; The resurrection of the body; And the life everlasting. Amen.

(The Apostles Creed)

dead.

Minister: Let us pray.

People: 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 debts,

as we forgive our debtors.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever.

Amen.

Minister: Merciful God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ

who is the Resurrection and the Life:

Raise us, we humbly pray, from the death of sin

to the life of righteousness;

that when we depart this life we may rest in him, and at the resurrection receive that blessing

which your well-beloved Son shall then pronounce:

"Come, you blessed of my Father, receive the kingdom prepared for you

from the beginning of the world." Grant this, O merciful Father, through Jesus Christ,

our Mediator and Redeemer.

People: Amen.

BENEDICTION

The peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be with you, and remain with you always. Amen.

DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow;

Praise Him, all creatures here below;

Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

(Words: Thomas Ken, Music: Louis Bourgeois; Arr. B. Kauflin; CCLI license #2476739)

FAMILY PROCESSIONAL

THE STABLE SONG BY GREGORY ALAN ISAKOV



OBITUARY FOR DON PAUL LAMB

Paul Lamb, age 64, passed away November II, 202I, surrounded by family and loved ones.

Paul was born in Ennis, Texas on January 17, 1957, to Goldie and Orbie Lamb. He was the youngest of eight. Paul lived in Ennis through high school, where he excelled as an athlete, student, and member of the

community—in fact he was the first Ennis High School student to letter first team all-district in basketball, football, and baseball in the same year. After graduation, Paul earned a Bachelor's degree in business from Baylor University and an MBA from Texas State University.

Paul was an incredible husband to his wife Christy, and father to his three children, Wade, Carly, and Dan, who never once had to wonder how much Paul cared for them. Always a reliable source of support, wisdom, and humor, Paul was the first person to be sought for advice.

The Lamb home was always full of visitors because Paul extended warmth, welcome, and a big hug to everyone. He would light up any room with laughter and was a world-class storyteller who continued to regale his family with stories until the end. Paul was so easy to talk to and be with, and he never lacked for conversation.

Paul's commitment to his community is what motivated him in the last few decades of his life. Though he made his living in the insurance industry as the founding partner of a consulting firm, Paul's passion was serving as Executive Director of a non-profit youth sports organization, the Westlake Youth Basketball Association (WYBA). Paul always said the role offered him the privilege to do "something he loved with people he loved for a community he loved."

Paul first became involved with WYBA as a coach for his kids' basketball teams, which was one of the many activities for which he volunteered his time. He coached much like he parented, offering support, laughter, and guidance. Paul continued to serve his community through work with WYBA long after his kids grew too old for the youth league, helping to grow the association into an organization of which he was very proud.

Paul was gentle with an optimistic and generous heart, was a great father, and was a loving husband and partner to his wife of thirty-nine years. Paul cherished being a grandfather and loved every moment he spent with his 14 month old granddaughter. He was deeply loved and will be forever missed.

Paul is survived by his wife, Christy Wade Lamb, and three children: Dan Lamb, Wade Lamb and his wife, Leilani Lamb, and Carly and her husband, John Runge, and their daughter Riley. Other family members surviving Paul are his sisters Donna Lamb and Jane Mecom and her husband Jim, and sister-in-law Laurette Lamb. First generation nieces and nephews who survive Paul are Keith and Michael Brown, Teri and Vicki Crow, and Chris and Michael Mecom. Paul was preceded in death by his parents, Goldie and Orbie Lamb, brothers Dan and Duaril Lamb, and sisters Doris Crow and Madge Brown.

A celebration of Paul Lamb's life will take place on at 3:00 PM on Saturday, December 4, at All Saints Presbyterian Church in Austin, Texas (7808 Rialto Blvd, Austin, TX 78735). For those who wish to attend virtually, the live service can be viewed at allsaintsaustin.org/paul-lamb.

In lieu of sending flowers, the family requests anyone choosing to give a memorial gift consider donating to support the Westlake Youth Basketball Association, a non-profit organization which has served the Westlake community since 1994.

Checks may be made payable to WYBA and mailed to: WYBA 3300 Bee Cave Road Ste 650-1201 Austin, TX 78746 PLEASE JOIN THE LAMB FAMILY AFTER THE SERVICE FOR A RECEPTION IN CELEBRATION OF PAUL'S LIFE.

Musician

B. STERLING ARCHER

OFFICIATING

REV. TIM FRICKENSCHMIDT