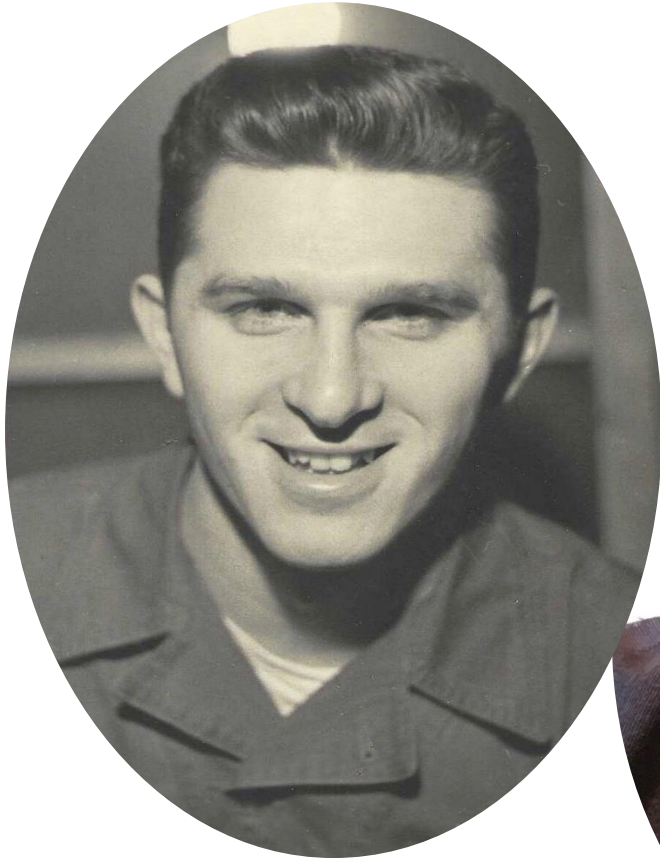


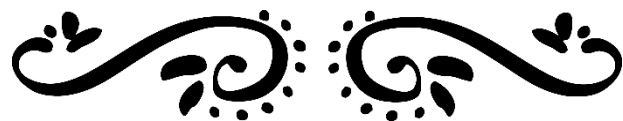


**Celebration of Life
and
Witness to the Resurrection**



Mal Black

December 26, 1930 ~ June 8, 2023



Prelude

He Shall Feed His Flock

G. F. Handel

Suk Choi, Organist

Welcome

Pastor Jim Szeyller

Opening Sentences

Isaiah 41: 10

¹⁰ do not fear, for I am with you;
do not be afraid, for I am your God;
I will strengthen you; I will help you;
I will uphold you with my victorious right hand.

Romans 6: 3 – 5

³ Do you not know that all of us who were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? ⁴ Therefore we have been buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we also might walk in newness of life. ⁵ For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we will certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his.

Romans 8: 28 - 39

²⁸ We know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose. ²⁹ For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn within a large family. ³⁰ And those whom he predestined he also called, and those whom he called he also justified, and those whom he justified he also glorified. ³¹ What then are we to say about these things? If God is for us, who is against us? ³² He who did not withhold his own Son but gave him up for all of us, will he not with him also give us everything else? ³³ Who will bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. ³⁴ Who is to condemn? It is Christ Jesus who died, yes, who was raised, who is also at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us. ³⁵ Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will hardship, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? ³⁶ As it is written,

“For your sake we are being killed all day long;
we are accounted as sheep to be slaughtered.”

³⁷ No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. ³⁸ For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, ³⁹ nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Hymn

(Please stand if able.)

How Great Thou Art

Stuart Hine

***O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder
Consider all the works Thy hands have made,
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder,
Thy pow'r thru-out the universe displayed!***

(Refrain)

***Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee;
How great Thou art, how great Thou art!
Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee;
How great Thou art, how great Thou art!***

***When thru the woods and forest glades I wander
And 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)

***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)

First Lesson

2 Corinthians 4: 16 - 5: 10

¹⁶ So we do not lose heart. Even though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner nature is being renewed day by day. ¹⁷ For this slight, momentary affliction is preparing us for an eternal weight of glory beyond all measure, ¹⁸ because we look not at what can be seen but at what cannot be seen, for what can be seen is temporary, but what cannot be seen is eternal.

¹ For we know that, if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens. ² For in this tent we groan, longing to be further clothed with our heavenly dwelling, ³ if indeed, when we have taken it off we will not be found naked. ⁴ For while we are still in this tent, we groan under our burden because we wish not to be unclothed but to be further clothed, so that what is mortal may be swallowed up by life. ⁵ He who has prepared us for this very thing is God, who has given us the Spirit as a guarantee. ⁶ So we are always confident, even though we know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord— ⁷ for we walk by faith, not by sight. ⁸ Yes, we do have confidence, and we would rather be away from the body and at home with the Lord. ⁹ So whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to please him. ¹⁰ For all of us must appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each may receive recompense for what has been done in the body, whether good or evil.

Remembrance of Family

Jack Burton
Jeff Black

Military Honors

Musical Interlude

What a Friend We Have in Jesus
Charles Converse & Joseph Scriven
LNPC Chancel Choir

Second Lesson

John 14: 1 - 6

¹ “Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God; believe also in me. ² In my Father’s house there are many dwelling places. 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, so that where I am, there you may be also. ⁴ And you know the way to the place 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.

Homily

Pastoral Prayer and 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 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

Closing Hymn

(Please stand if able.)

Mine Eyes Have Seen the Glory

Julia Ward Howe & William Steffe

*Mine eyes have seen the glory
Of the coming of the Lord
He is trampling out the vintage
Where the grapes of wrath are stored
He hath loosed the fateful lightning
Of His terrible swift sword
His truth is marching on*

*Glory glory hallelujah
Glory glory hallelujah
Glory glory hallelujah
Our God is marching on*

*He has sounded forth the trumpet
That shall never call retreat
He is sifting out the hearts of men
Before His judgment seat
O be swift my soul to answer Him
Be jubilant my feet
Our God is marching on*

*Glory glory hallelujah
Glory glory hallelujah
Glory glory hallelujah
Our God is marching on*

*In the beauty of the lilies
Christ was born across the sea
With a glory in His bosom
That transfigures you and me
As He died to make men holy
Let us live to make men free
While God is marching on*

*Glory glory hallelujah
Glory glory hallelujah
Glory glory hallelujah
Our God is marching on*

Benediction

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Thank you for joining us to celebrate
Mal's life. The family deeply
appreciates your love and prayers.

**Malcolm Stewart Black, Jr.
December 26, 1930 – June 8, 2023**

Malcolm Stewart Black, Jr., 92, beloved husband, father, grandfather, great grandfather and friend passed away at his home in Dana Point surrounded by his loving family on June 8, 2023. Malcolm ("Mal"), a resident of Orange County since 1970 was preceded in death by his parents, Malcolm Stewart and Helen Cunningham Black. He is survived by his bride of 72 years, Doris, daughter Linda Burton (Jack) of San Juan Capistrano and sons Thomas (Laurie) of Mesa, Arizona and Jeffrey Black (Joni) of Santa Ana as well as 4 grandchildren and 3 great grandchildren. A son (Douglas) preceded him in death.

A first generation American, Malcolm was born in Rochester, New York on December 26, 1930. He graduated from West High School, then went on to the University of Rochester where he excelled academically and, on the baseball and basketball teams. Mal was inducted into the University of Rochester's Athletic Hall of Fame in 1998. Following college graduation, he enrolled in the United States Air Force and served as an Information and Education Specialist during the Korean War. Following his return home, he continued his education at Columbia University, graduating with a Master's Degree in Business Administration.

Mal spent his entire career in the commercial insurance industry, starting in a small family-owned agency in Summit, New Jersey, then moving on to larger roles within Kemper Insurance in Chagrin Falls (Ohio) and then Mansfield (Ohio) before making the family's final move to Southern California in 1970 where they settled and raised their family in Orange County (Placentia). In 1974, Mal made his final career move joining Protection Mutual Insurance Company as its Southern California District Manager where he continued until retiring in 1993.

Following his retirement, Doris and Mal relocated to Dana Point and continued to travel extensively throughout the United States and the world. While they enjoyed these adventures, nothing compared to Mal's love of golf and the Green Bay Packers. Through the years, he enjoyed playing as many courses in Southern California as he could, making many long-term friends along the way. His love for the Packers, "the only team to play on a football field the way it was meant to be played – on the frozen tundra" is legendary.

Mal and Doris were original members of the Laguna Niguel Presbyterian Church where they also made many great friends and worked along the way to strengthen the new church's mission in the area. The family thanks you for joining them in this Celebration of Life service. Mal will eventually make his way to his final resting place beside his son Douglas at Fair Mount Cemetery in Chatham, New Jersey later this year.