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To remember and to thank God for the life of Duane Gustav Vikman

March 19, 1931–July 7, 2022

July 24, 2022 | 2 p.m.

Prelude Hymn Selections

Welcome

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

Military Honors

Thanksgiving for Baptism

When we were baptized in Christ Jesus, we were baptized into his death. We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, so that as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might live a new 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.

Eternal God, maker of heaven and earth, who formed us from the dust of the earth, who by your breath gave us life, we glorify you. **We glorify you.**

Jesus Christ, the resurrection and the life, who suffered death for all humanity, who rose from the grave to open the way to eternal life, we praise you. **We praise you.**

Holy Spirit, author and giver of life, the comforter of all who sorrow, our sure confidence and everlasting hope, we worship you. **We worship you.**

To you, O blessed Trinity, be glory and honor, forever and ever. **Amen.**

Hymn

ELW 779: Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound



Text: John Newton, 1725–1807, alt., sts. 1–4; anonymous, st. 5 Music: NEW BRITAIN, W. Walker, *Southern Harmony*, 1835

Greeling The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

Prayer of the Day

Almighty God, source of all mercy and giver of comfort, graciously tend those who mourn, that, casting all their sorrow on you, they may know the consolation of your love; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Readings

Psalm 121

¹I lift up my eyes to the hills from where will my help come? ²My help comes from the LORD, who made heaven and earth. ³He will not let your foot be moved; he who keeps you will not slumber. ⁴He who keeps Israel will neither slumber nor sleep. ⁵The LORD is your keeper; the LORD is your shade at your right hand. ⁶The sun shall not strike you by day, nor the moon by night. ⁷The LORD will keep you from all evil; he will keep your life. ⁸The LORD will keep your going out and your coming in from this time on and forevermore.

1 Peter 1:3-9

A reading from First Peter.

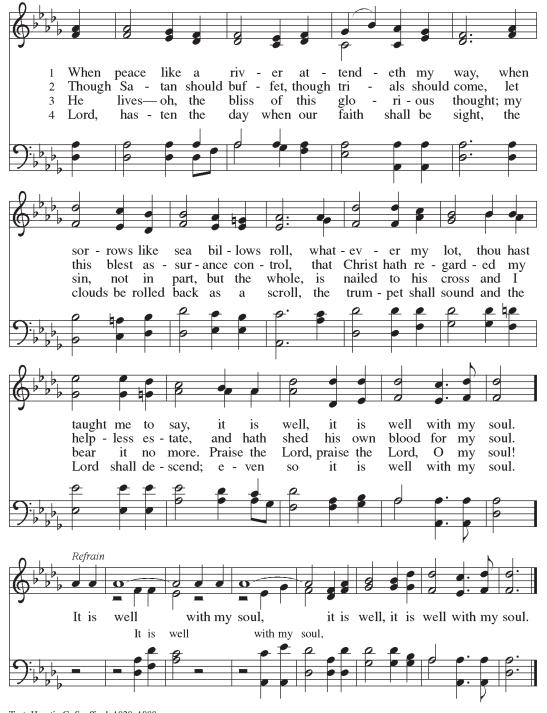
³Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! By his great mercy he has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, ⁴and into an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, ⁵who are being protected by the power of God through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. ⁶In this you rejoice, even if now for a little while you have had to suffer various trials, ⁷so that the genuineness of your faith — being more precious than gold that, though perishable, is tested by fire — may be found to result in praise and glory and honor when Jesus Christ is revealed. ⁸Although you have not seen him, you love him; and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and rejoice with an indescribable and glorious joy, ⁹for you are receiving the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Sermon Pastor Caitlin Trussell

Hymn

ELW 785: When Peace like a River



Text: Horatio G. Spafford, 1828–1888 Music: VILLE DU HAVRE, Philip P. Bliss, 1838–1876

Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.
	I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.
Prayers	<i>To each petition the assembly responds:</i> God of mercy, hear our prayer.
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, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

Commendation

Let us commend Duane to the mercy of God, our maker and redeemer.

Silence is kept.

Into your hands, O merciful Savior, we commend your servant Duane Gustav Vikman. Acknowledge, we humbly beseech you, a sheep of your own fold, a lamb of your own flock, a sinner of your own redeeming. Receive him into the arms of your mercy, into the blessed rest of everlasting peace, and into the glorious company of the saints in light. **Amen.** ELW 856: How Great Thou Art



Sending Let us go forth in peace, in the name of Christ. Amen.

Postlude Recessional on "How Great Thou Art"

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Duane Gustav Vikman

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On a cold morning on March 19, 1931, Hilma Carlson Vikman and Edwin J. Vikman became parents of identical twin boys, Duane Gustav and Edwin Theodore in the church parsonage in Genoa, Nebraska. Duane died at Clermont Park on July 7, 2022 in the loving presence of his wife, Farrel, whom he married on October 5, 1963.

When the boys were twelve days old, their mother died, and fifteen months later, their father, a Lutheran minister was killed instantly in an automobile accident. Thus began a challenging childhood and youth and the growth of a boy.

Duane's earliest years were marked by constant upheaval and change as he and Ed were at first separated from their sisters and grandparents and relocated to Canada with his Uncle Arvid and family and then moved to Sweden where the two boys were reunited with their beloved Aunt Huldah, who had cared for them following their mother's death. They enjoyed some of their happiest childhood years with her before their return to Canada where they lived and worked for a variety of foster families, seldom, if ever, enjoying real security or love. During these years, however, Duane held onto his dream, and with the support of his twin, and strengthened by his neverfailing faith in God and the power of prayer, he persevered.

As an adolescent, Duane developed the ingenuity and creativity which should characterize his professional life as one of Mountain Bell's most successful salesmen, and he honed the people skills that would bring him enduring friendships and love. Once reunited with his two older sisters, Ruth and Alice, from whom he had been separated for most of his life, he enjoyed frequent visits to their homes. He attended Luther Academy in Nebraska and earned the friendship of many of his teachers through his eagerness to overcome the many obstacles he and Ed encountered.

In 1950 Duane joined the US Navy and served for four years. He was stationed in Honolulu, Hawaii, and Ed was able to be stationed with him for the last two years. Following the Navy, Duane moved to Denver and joined Augustana Lutheran Church, becoming active there while pursuing his professional life at Mountain Bell.

Soon to follow, Duane met the love of his life, Farrel, a Sunday school teacher at Augustana, with the help of friends and family. And so the story began with a wedding on October 5, 1963! Their passion in life and love immediately becomes travel. Their travel takes them all over the world including five continents. They traveled near and far to be with friends and family, enjoying all the best life has to offer.

Beyond the passion for travel, Duane was an El Jebel Shriner, his hobbies included stamp collecting and gardening. On two occasions pictures were taken in his garden as wedding photos with his beautiful flowers in the background.In later years, Duane was a faithful usher at Augustana, served on the church council and drove the church vans on Sunday mornings.

However, the next chapter of Duane and Farrel's life was unexpected. In 1999, Akanita (Ploy) joined their family, coming from Bangkok, Thailand, as an exchange student for one year. Six years later, Ploy graduated from the University of Colorado after spending much time traveling and seeing the world with Duane and Farrel. Life would be more exciting with the addition of "Taco" the dog, who brought so much joy to all.

Life became filled with many travels to be with Ploy and her family in Thailand. Their beloved house was a sanctuary in later years before moving to Clermont. In the last of his life, he never lost sight of his dreams or his faith. He died as he lived—courageous and loving.

Duane is survived by his wife, Farrel, nephews David (Karen) Christianson, James (Sandy) Christianson, Robert (Barbara) Johnson, Jeffrey (Marcha) Johnson. He was preceded in death by his parents and sisters Alice, Christianson, Ruth Johnson and twin brother Edwin Vikman.

He will be missed but lives on in our hearts forever.

Welcome

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Interment Fairmount Cemetery - Mausoleum Denver, Colorado Monday, July 25, 1 p.m.

You are invited

to greet the family at a reception in Fellowship Hall following the service.

Memorials may be desginated to:

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