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To remember and to thank God for the life of Pastor David Walter Peters May 15, 1935-January 18, 2022

April 23, 2022 | 10:30 a.m.

# Prelude

Hymn Selections Psalm 141 from *Holden Evening Prayer* Emily Murdock, soprano solo

Welcome

Gathering

Welcome in the name of Jesus, the Savior of the world. We are gathered to worship, to proclaim Christ crucified and risen, to remember before God our brother Dave, to give thanks for his life, to commend him to our merciful redeemer, and to comfort one another in our grief.

# 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 840: Now Thank We All Our God



Text: Martin Rinkhart, 1586–1649; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–1878 Music: NUN DANKET ALLE GOTT, Johann Crüger, 1598–1662

Greeting

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

O God of grace and glory, we remember before you today our brother, Dave. We thank you for giving him to us to know and to love as a companion in our pilgrimage on earth. In your boundless compassion, console us who mourn. Give us faith to see that death has been swallowed up in the victory of our Lord Jesus Christ, so that we may live in confidence and hope until, by your call, we are gathered to our heavenly home in the company of all your saints; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen. Reading Psalm 121 <sup>1</sup>I lift up my eyes to the hills from where will my help come? <sup>2</sup>My help comes from the LORD, who made heaven and earth. <sup>3</sup>He will not let your foot be moved; he who keeps you will not slumber. <sup>4</sup>He who keeps Israel will neither slumber nor sleep. <sup>5</sup>The LORD is your keeper; the LORD is your shade at your right hand. <sup>6</sup>The sun shall not strike you by day, nor the moon by night. <sup>7</sup>The LORD will keep you from all evil; he will keep your life. <sup>8</sup>The LORD will keep your going out and your coming in from this time on and forevermore.

Hymn

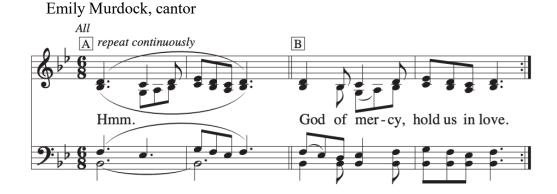


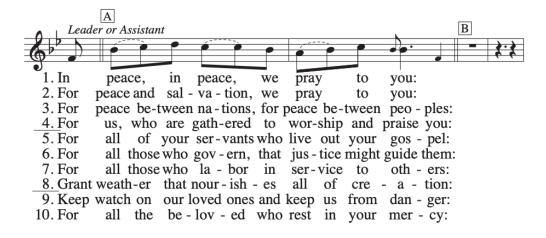
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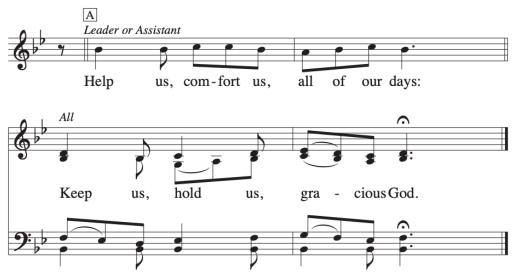
Reading	1 Corinthians 15:51–57
	<ul> <li><sup>51</sup>Listen, I will tell you a mystery! We will not all die, but we will all be changed, <sup>52</sup>in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised imperishable, and we will be changed. <sup>53</sup>For this perishable body must put on imperishability, and this mortal body must put on immortality. <sup>54</sup>When this perishable body puts on imperishability, and this mortal body puts on immortality, then the saying that is written will be fulfilled: "Death has been swallowed up in victory."</li> <li><sup>55</sup>"Where, O death, is your victory? Where, O death, is your sting?"</li> <li><sup>56</sup>The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. <sup>57</sup>But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.</li> </ul>
	The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.
Gospel	John 14:1–7
	The holy gospel according to John. Glory to you, O Lord.
	[Jesus said to his disciples:] <sup>1</sup> "Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. <sup>2</sup> 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? <sup>3</sup> 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. <sup>4</sup> And you know the way to the place where I am going." <sup>5</sup> Thomas said to him, "Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?" <sup>6</sup> Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. <sup>7</sup> If you know me, you will know my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him."
	The gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, O Christ.
Sermon	Pastor Ann Hultquist
Solo	"Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee" Emily Murdock, soprano solo

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	Prayers and Litany from Holden Evening Prayer

Prayers







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### 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

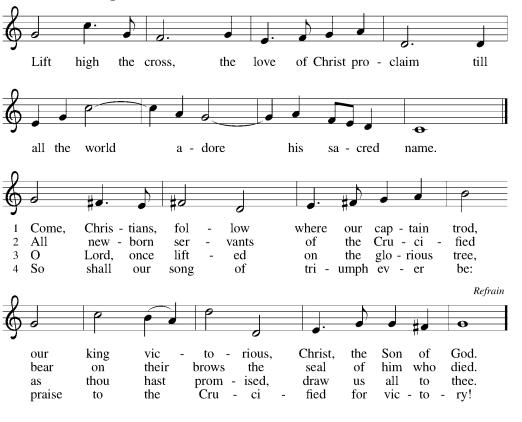
Let us commend Dave to the mercy of God, our maker and redeemer.

#### Silence is kept.

Into your hands, O merciful Savior, we commend your servant Dave. 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.** 

Sending Hymn

### ELW 660: Lift High the Cross



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

Postlude

Recessional on "Lift High the Cross"

# David Walter Peters

# May 15, 1935-January 18, 2022

David Walter Peters was born May 15, 1935, in Davenport, Iowa to Walter and Charlotte (Grimes) Peters. He passed away peacefully at Lutheran Medical Center in Wheat Ridge, Colorado on January 18, 2022. He was 86.

David (Dave) graduated from Davenport High School in 1954. He received a BA degree from Augustana College in Rock Island, Illinois in 1958 and graduated from Chicago Lutheran Seminary in 1961 with a Master of Divinity degree. In May 1962, David was ordained a Lutheran pastor at St. Paul Lutheran Church in Davenport.

Dave had a happy childhood in Davenport with his parents and dear sister, Marjorie (Marge). Summer trips to Colorado, the Black Hills, Niagara Falls, and Washington, D.C. sparked his lifelong passion for travel. During junior high and high school, he worked at Pine Hill Cemetery, where he will be interred. He also gained an early appreciation for the ministry because of the influence of the pastors at St. Paul and his uncle Lyman Grimes who served a congregation in Quincy, Illinois.

Dave spent time out west while in college and seminary, working at Mesa Verde National Park and interning at St. Luke Lutheran Church in Albuquerque, New Mexico. He grew to love the western United States and, working with the Lutheran Church in America's Board of American Missions, established St. John Lutheran Church in El Paso, Texas in April 1963. He later served congregations in Westminster and Canon City, Colorado as well as directing Rainbow Trail Lutheran Camp in the mountains of Hillside, Colorado.

In 1964, while still in El Paso, he married the love of his life, his beloved wife of 57 years, Judith (Judy) Belle Brokate of Port Clinton, Ohio. The two had an extraordinarily loving marriage rooted in faith, kindness, and grace. They had two children, Daniel Walter Peters and Karen Lynn (Peters) Rhea.

For the final 26 years of his career, alongside the Reverend Delmar Wiemers, he served as associate and then senior pastor at Messiah Lutheran Church in Denver, Colorado. He retired from the ministry in November 1998, but continued to serve as a source of comfort to others until his final days. Dave presided at the weddings of his sister Marge and her husband Tom, both of his children and several nieces, and at the baptisms of grandchildren and other relatives. He loved the ministry and the opportunity to share our Lord's grace with everyone he knew.

In retirement, Dave and Judy traveled extensively in the United States and around the world, enjoying trips with friends and relatives. Dave especially loved summer vacations with his children and grandchildren to destinations including the Oregon Coast, the Grand Canyon, and Lake Tahoe. He enjoyed many hobbies including reading, woodworking, photography, and researching his family history. He and Judy moved to a new home in Denver where he enjoyed more than a decade serving on various committees of the homeowners' association. He also served for many years on the board of Eben Ezer Lutheran Care Center Foundation in Brush, Colorado. In his final years, he delighted in birdwatching from his back porch in Denver.

Dave had an unfailingly positive attitude that lifted everyone around him. He had a great sense of humor and loved to regale his family with stories of his fraternity exploits at Augustana College, including icing shut the doors of "Old Main" one night so that he could get out of class the next day (a trick that his grandchildren desperately would like to try out someday). He disliked broccoli and never failed to let you know it. And he never wanted to say "goodbye" but always, "See you after a while." We will see you after a while, Dave.

He is survived by Judy (Denver); Dan, his wife Nicole Wanner, and grandchildren Talya and Micah (Alexandria, Virginia); Karen Rhea, her husband Chris, and grandson Cooper (Mankato, Kansas); his sister Marge Magers (Davenport, Iowa) and numerous nieces and nephews and other relatives.

# Welcome

- Restrooms are located downstairs beneath the west entrance; handicapped accessible restrooms are on the east side of this level in the hallway behind the Chancel.
- Handicapped parking and entrances are available at the Fairfax Street and the Elm Street entrances. Additional parking is available on the south side of the building.
- An elevator is available at the Fairfax Street entrance.
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### Interment Pinehill Cemetery Davenport, Iowa

### Memorials may be designated to

### **Rainbow Trail Lutheran Church**

107 S 9th St Suite B Canon City, CO 81212 rainbowtrail.org

### **Eben Ezer Care Center**

122 Hospital Road Brush, CO 80723 ebenezer-cares.org

# You are invited

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

## Worship Leaders

Preacher: Pastor Ann Hultquist Presider: Pastor Caitlin Trussell Organist: Andrew Peters Soloist: Emily Murdock Ushers: Emmett Cruson Julie MacDougall