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To remember and to thank God for the life of
Donald Edward Pace

September 25, 1953–December 9, 2023

January 5, 2024 | 10 a.m.

Gathering Music ♦ 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.

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.

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

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.**

A Life Remembered

Paula Pace

Katy Jordan

L.R. Seabaugh

Hymn ♦ ELW 732: **Borning Cry**

WATERLIFE



- 1 "I was there to hear your born-ing cry, I'll be there when you are old.
- 2 "When you heard the won-der of the Word I was there to cheer you on;
- 3 "In the mid-dle a - ges of your life, not too old, no lon - ger young,



I re - joiced the day you were bap-tized to see your life un - fold.
you were raised to praise the liv - ing Lord, to whom you now be - long.
I'll be there to guide you through the night, com-plete what I've be - gun.



I was there when you were but a child, with a faith to suit you well;
If you find some-one to share your time and you join your hearts as one,
When the eve - ning gent - ly clos - es in and you shut your wea - ry eyes,



in a blaze of light you wan-dered off to find where de-mons dwell."
I'll be there to make your vers - es rhyme from dusk till ris - ing sun."
I'll be there as I have al - ways been, with just one more sur - prise."



- 4 "I was there to hear your born-ing cry, I'll be there when you are old.



I re - joiced the day you were bap-tized to see your life un - fold."

Text: John C. Ylvisaker, b. 1937
Music: WATERLIFE, John C. Ylvisaker
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Reading ♦ Romans 8:35, 37–39

A reading from Romans.

³⁵Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will hardship, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? ³⁷No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. ³⁸For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, ³⁹nor 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.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel ♦ Mark 2:1–12

The holy gospel according to Mark. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

¹When [Jesus] returned to Capernaum after some days, it was reported that he was at home. ²So many gathered around that there was no longer room for them, not even in front of the door; and he was speaking the word to them. ³Then some people came, bringing to him a paralyzed man, carried by four of them. ⁴And when they could not bring him to Jesus because of the crowd, they removed the roof above him; and after having dug through it, they let down the mat on which the paralytic lay. ⁵When Jesus saw their faith, he said to the paralytic, “Son, your sins are forgiven.” ⁶Now some of the scribes were sitting there, questioning in their hearts, ⁷“Why does this fellow speak in this way? It is blasphemy! Who can forgive sins but God alone?” ⁸At once Jesus perceived in his spirit that they were discussing these questions among themselves; and he said to them, “Why do you raise such questions in your hearts? ⁹Which is easier, to say to the paralytic, ‘Your sins are forgiven,’ or to say, ‘Stand up and take your mat and walk?’ ¹⁰But so that you may know that the Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins” — he said to the paralytic — ¹¹“I say to you, stand up, take your mat and go to your home. ¹²And he stood up, and immediately took the mat and went out before all of them; so that they were all amazed and glorified God, saying, “We have never seen anything like this!”

The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sermon ♦ Pastor Caitlin Trussell



1 "I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my peo - ple cry.
 2 "I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my peo - ple's pain.
 3 "I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame.



All who dwell in dark and sin my hand will save.
 I have wept for love of them. They turn a - way.
 I will set a feast for them. My hand will save.



I, who made the stars of night, I will make their dark - ness bright.
 I will break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love a - lone.
 Fin - est bread I will pro - vide till their hearts be sat - is - fied.



Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?"
 I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send?"
 I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send?"

Refrain



Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you



call - ing in the night. I will go, Lord, if you



lead me. I will hold your peo - ple in my heart.

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

To each petition the assembly responds:
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

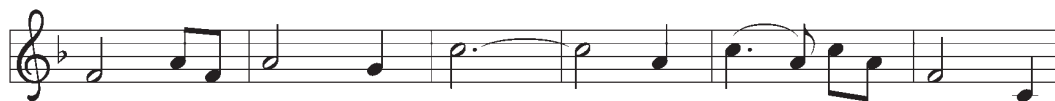
Let us commend Don to the mercy of God, our maker and redeemer.

Silence is kept.

Into your hands, O merciful Savior, we commend your servant Donald Edward Pace. 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.**



1 A - maz - ing grace!— how sweet the sound— that
 2 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and
 3 Through man - y dan - gers, toils, and snares I
 4 The Lord has prom - ised good to me; his
 5 When we've been there ten thou - sand years, bright



saved a wretch like me! I once was lost, but
 grace my fears re - lieved; how pre - cious did that
 have al - read - y come; 'tis grace has brought me
 word my hope se - cures; he will my shield and
 shin - ing as the sun, we've no less days to



now am found; was blind, but now I see.
 grace ap - pear the hour I first be - lieved!
 safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.
 por - tion be as long as life en - dures.
 sing God's praise than when we'd first be - gun.

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

Sending

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

Postlude

Recessional on “Amazing Grace”

Committal

At the direction of the ushers, please make your way to the memorial garden.

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Donald Edward Pace

September 25, 1953–January 5, 2024

Donald Edward Pace, 70, passed away Saturday, December 9, 2023, at home, after being diagnosed in August 2023 with pancreatic cancer.

Don was born September 25, 1953, in St. Louis, Missouri, to Jack and Peonie (nee Dorsey) Pace, the youngest sibling to first born child Jackie Breitenfeld (nee Pace) (Howard), second born child Robert Pace (Rose).

Don attended Lutheran High School South in St. Louis where he graduated in 1971 and was a scholar athlete. He obtained a bachelor's degree in economics from the University of Missouri Columbia in 1975, and a Master of Business Administration from Southern Illinois University Edwardsville in 1985. He worked for the Missouri Pacific Railroad prior to joining ITT Commercial Finance Corp. in St. Louis, becoming Deutsche Financial Services Corporation (after a divestiture) and later becoming GE Commercial Distribution Finance (after a second divestiture). Don served as the head of Human Resources in an executive position. Don was known as a strategic thinker, a practical, compassionate, and trustworthy leader, held in high regard equally by senior-most executives and the workforce as a whole. Don's strengths included seeing the best in everyone and following through with support and encouragement. His boisterous laugh could be heard frequently in the hallways of the office.

After choosing to remain in St. Louis to be with family as opposed to relocating to Chicago after the acquisition of Deutsche Financial Services by GE, Don became the owner of several franchises of Auntie Anne's Pretzels and became, in the eyes of his family, the "Pretzel King," which business he continued to the date of his death.

Although Don was a successful businessman, his highest aspiration was to be a family man.

In 1999, Don married Paula Kay Dinger and started his journey as "second Dad" to Kathryn Jordan (nee Seabaugh) (Justin) and Leighton ("L.R.") Seabaugh, grandfather ("PopPop") to Jackson Jordan, brother-in-law to Mary Dinger and "Unca Don" to Meghan Gram-Dinger. Don loved to play golf with his son-in-law Justin, and spend time with his family outside, boating, swimming in the lake with his beloved retrievers, smoking cigars while tending the shrimp boil, grilling massive quantities of bacon, ribs and steaks, and taking solo three-week motorcycle rides in the western U.S. In quiet times he completed timed master level sudoku puzzles and was a voracious reader. For over twenty years on an annual basis, Don and Paula joined Don's siblings, Jackie and Howard Breitenfeld and Bob and Rose Pace, on hiking vacations in National Parks.

Don loved to sing and dance. He also loved to "surprise" his family by taking a knee on a busy street in San Francisco to sing "Let me call you Sweetheart" to Paula, or belt out "Happy Birthday" (again on a knee) to the kids. Don was a religious man, being a lifelong member of the Lutheran Church, known for staying to the very end of the service to ensure he could sing every verse of the closing hymn.

Don was passionate about affording kids the opportunity to camp and was a regular contributor to the American Youth Foundation; he also cared deeply about animals and supported Stray Rescue of St. Louis, and the World Wildlife Foundation. Don had a lifelong love of trees and bought real estate at Lake of the Ozarks for the sole purpose of preventing development and the cutting down of trees.

Don is also survived by nieces and nephews, Karl Breitenfeld (Janice), Carole Breitenfeld, Nancy Funderburk (nee Breitenfeld) (Ray), Tim Pace (Angelah), Chris Pace (Laura), Meghan Gram-Dinger, Liz Cooper (nee Waggoner)

(Ryan); and cousins Terry Smith (Carole), Gary Pace (Kelli), Sherry Muck (nee Pace) (Jim), Scott Pace (Peggy), Susan Bowles (nee Pace) (Richard), Barbara Kerwin (nee Pace) (Colin), Mary Kay Jones (nee Pace) (Robert), Michelle Mocchiola (nee Pace), Monica Wilson (nee Pace) (Ken), Marcia Riganti (nee Pace) (Jim), Keith Pace (Mary), Kory Pace (Jill), Kevin Pace (Kathy) and Trish Pace (wife of Kyle). Don was preceded in death by his parents, Jack and Peonie Pace, sister-in-law Kathy Pace (wife of Robert Pace), uncle Jim Pace, aunt Elaine Pace, and cousin Kyle (son of Jim and Elaine, husband of Trish). Given Peonie's death when Don was a young man, Kathy served as a mother figure to Don until Kathy's death in 2002. During her lifetime, Don and Kathy excelled at making one another laugh.

Welcome

- Restrooms and water stations are located downstairs beneath the west entrance; handicapped accessible restrooms are on the east side of the sanctuary in the hallway behind the chancel.
- You are welcome to have your water bottles with you during worship.
- An elevator is available at the Fairfax Street entrance.
- Handicapped parking and entrances are available at the Fairfax Street and Elm Street entrances. Additional parking is available on the south side of the building.
- Please make sure your cell phones are silenced during worship.

Inurnment

Augustana Memorial Garden
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Memorials

may be designated to:

American Youth Foundation
<https://ayf.com/>

Stray Rescue of St. Louis
<https://www.strayrescue.org/>

World Wildlife Fund
<https://gifts.worldwildlife.org/gift-center/>

You are invited

to greet the family at a luncheon
and celebration of life at
463 E. Happy Canyon Rd.
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Worship Leaders

Preacher/Presider:
Pastor Caitlin Trussell

Organist:

Andrew Peters

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