

Memorial Service in Celebration of the Life of

DR. STEVE AUSTIN

1948 — 2019



St. Dunstan's Episcopal Church
December 14, 2019
2 o'clock

*Give rest, O Christ, to your servant with your saints,
where sorrow and pain are no more,
neither sighing, but life everlasting.*

THE GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

Introit Song *All stand and sing.*

Green Hymnal 810 You who dwell in the shelter of the Lord

Eagle's Wings
Michael Joncas

All Stand at the tolling of the bell.

Scripture Anthem

Priest **I** am Resurrection and I am 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.

As for me, I know that my Redeemer lives
and that at the last he will stand upon the earth.
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.

For none of us has life in ourselves,
and none becomes their own master when they die.
For if we have life, we are alive in the Lord, and if we die, we die in the Lord.
So, then, whether we live or die, we are the Lord's possession.

Happy from now on are those who die in the Lord!
So it is, says the Spirit, for they rest from their labors.

The Collects

Priest The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Priest Let us pray.

O God of grace and glory, we remember before you this day our brother Steve. We thank you for giving him to us, his family and friends, to know and to love as a companion on our earthly pilgrimage. In your boundless compassion, console us who mourn. Give us faith to see in death the gate of eternal life, so that in quiet confidence we may continue our course on earth, until, by your call, we are reunited with those who have gone before; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Most merciful God, whose wisdom is beyond our understanding, deal graciously with Pam and her family in their grief. Surround them with your love, that they may not be overwhelmed by their loss, but have confidence in your goodness, and strength to meet the days to come; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

All are seated.

THE WORD OF GOD

Prayer of St. Francis

Led by Blake Williams

Lord, make me an instrument of your peace.

Where there is hatred, let me sow love;

Where there is injury, pardon;

Where there is doubt, faith;

Where there is despair, hope;

Where there is darkness, light;

And where there is sadness, joy.

O Divine Master, grant that I may

Not so much seek to be consoled as to console;

To be understood, as to understand;

To be loved, as to love;

For it is in giving that we receive,

And it's in pardoning that we are pardoned,

And it's in dying that we are born to Eternal Life. **Amen**

All stand.

Gradual Hymn 335 I am the bread of Life

Betty Pulkingham

John 14:1—6 *All stand.*

Priest The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

‘Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me.

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?

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. And you know the way to the place where I am going.’ Thomas said to him, ‘Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?’ Jesus said to him, ‘I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

The Homily *All are seated.*

After the homily a brief silence is kept.

The Rev. Marcia M. Lockwood

The Prayers *All stand.*

Leader For Steve, let us pray to our Lord Jesus Christ who said,
“I am Resurrection and I am life.”

Lord, you consoled Martha and Mary in their distress;
draw near to us who mourn, and dry the tears of those who weep.

People Hear us, Lord.

Leader You wept at the grave of Lazarus, your friend; comfort us in our sorrow.

People Hear us, Lord.

Leader You raised the dead to life; give Steve eternal life.

People Hear us, Lord.

Leader You promised paradise to the thief who repented;
bring Steve to the joys of heaven.

People Hear us, Lord.

Leader Steve was washed in Baptism and anointed with the Holy Spirit;
give him fellowship with all your saints.

People Hear us, Lord.

Leader He was nourished with your Body and Blood;
grant him a place at the table in your heavenly kingdom.

People Hear us, Lord.

Leader Comfort us in our sorrows at the death of Steve,
let our faith be our consolation and eternal life our hope.

People Hear us, Lord.

Priest Father of all, we pray to you for Steve, and for all those whom we love but
see no longer. Grant to them eternal rest. Let light perpetual shine upon them.
May his soul and the souls of all the departed, through the mercy of God,
rest in peace. **Amen.**

The Peace *All stand.*

Priest The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you

The people exchange the peace with one another.

Welcome *All are seated.*

The Rev. John Saville

Offertory Anthem In my Father's house are many dwellings

Philip Stopford

*In my Father's house are many dwellings,
and if go to prepare a place for you,
I will come back again and take you to myself,
so that where I am you also may be.*

Do not let your hearts be troubled.
You have faith in God; have faith also in me.
In my Father's house are many dwelling places.
If there were not, would I have told you I am going to prepare a place for you?

Refrain

Where I am going, you know the way.
For I am the way, the truth, and the life;
no one comes to the Father except through me.
If you know me, you also know my Father.

Refrain

My spirit will be with you always.
The Advocate, the Spirit of Truth will remind you of all I have said.

Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you.
Do not let your hearts be troubled; Do not be afraid.
I have told you I will come back to you; have faith in me.

Refrain

THE HOLY COMMUNION

All stand.

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer A

Priest The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Priest Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Priest Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

Priest It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth; Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who rose victorious from the dead, and comforts us with the blessed hope of everlasting life. For to your faithful people, O Lord, life is changed, not ended; and when our mortal body lies in death, there is prepared for us a dwelling place eternal in the heavens.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus S130 Holy, holy, holy Lord

Franz Schubert

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and
might, Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,
God of power and might, hea - ven and earth are
full, full of your glo - ry. Ho -

san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na
in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes
in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na
in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The people stand or kneel.

Priest Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you.

Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

People **Christ has died.**
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.

Priest **W**e celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom. All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

People **O**ur 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,
for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

The Priest breaks the consecrated bread. A period of silence is kept.

Priest **A**lleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!**

Priest The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you,
and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

All are welcome to receive the Holy Communion.

The bread is received in the open palm. The wine, if desired, may be taken from the cup by drinking (guide the chalice gently to your lips by the base) or by dipping the bread.

Those who do not wish to receive Communion are welcome to come forward for a blessing, indicated by crossing your arms over your chest.

If you have a wheat sensitivity, you may ask the priest for a gluten-free wafer.

Communion Hymns

The Lord is my Shepherd

Howard Goodall

The Lord is my Shepherd
I shall not want
He maketh me to lie down in green pastures
He leadeth me besides the still waters

Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death
I will fear no evil
For you are with me
You will comfort me

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me
All the days of my life
And I will dwell in the House of the Lord forever

Down to the river to pray

*Traditional Appalachian Spiritual
arr. Lane Price*

*As I went down in the river to pray
Studyin' about that good ol' way
And who shall wear the starry crown
Good Lord, show me the way!*

Oh sisters, let's go down,
Let's go down, come on down
Oh sisters, let's go down
Down in the river to pray

Refrain

Oh brothers, let's go down
Let's go down, come on down
Come on, brothers, let's go down
Down in the river to pray

Refrain

Oh fathers, let's go down
Let's go down, come on down
Oh fathers, let's go down
Down in the river to pray
Refrain
Oh mothers, let's go down
Let's go down; don't you want to go down?
Come on, mothers, let's go down
Down in the river to pray

Refrain

Oh sinners, let's go down
Let's go down, come on down
Oh sinners, let's go down
Down in the river to pray

Refrain

The Post-Communion Prayer *All stand.*

Priest Let us pray.

People **Almighty God, we thank you that in your great love you have fed us with the spiritual food and drink of the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ, and have given us a foretaste of your heavenly banquet. Grant that this Sacrament may be to us a comfort in affliction, and a pledge of our inheritance in that kingdom where there is no death, neither sorrow nor crying, but the fullness of joy with all your saints; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.**

The Commendation *Remain standing.*

Priest **Give rest, O Christ, to your servant with your saints.**

People **Where sorrow and pain are no more, neither sighing, but life everlasting.**

Priest You only are immortal, the creator and maker of mankind; and we are mortal, formed of the earth, and to earth shall we return. For so did you ordain when you created me, saying, "You are dust, and to dust you shall return." All of us go down to the dust; yet even at the grave we make our song; Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

People **Give rest, O Christ, to your servant with your saints, where sorrow and pain are no more, neither sighing, but life everlasting.**

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

The Blessing

Priest **L**ife is short.

And we do not have too much time to gladden the hearts
of those who travel the way with us.

So be swift to love.

Make haste to be kind.

And may the blessing of God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit,
be upon you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Closing Song I'll fly away

Albert E. Brumley

Some glad morning when this life is o'er, I'll fly away
To that home on God's celestial shore, I'll fly away

*I'll fly away, oh glory, I'll fly away
When I die, Hallelujah, by and by, I'll fly away*

Just a few more weary days and then, I'll fly away
To that land where joy will never end, I'll fly away

Refrain

Oh I'll fly away, oh glory, I'll fly away in the morning
When I die, Hallelujah, by and by, I'll fly away

Refrain

The Dismissal

Priest Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People Thanks be to God.

Please join us in the columbarium for the interment of ashes followed by a reception in Brock Hall.

Procession Song Oh, when the saints go marching in

*words, Katharine Purvis
music, James Milton Black*

Oh, when the saints go marching in
Oh, when the saints go marching in
Oh Lord I want to be in that number
When the saints go marching in

Oh, when the drums begin to bang

Oh, when the stars fall from the sky

Oh, when the moon turns red with blood

Oh, when the trumpet sounds its call

Oh, when the horsemen begin to ride

Oh, brother Steve you are my friend

Oh, when the saints go marching in
Oh, when the saints go marching in
Oh Lord I want to be in that number
When the saints go marching in

The Committal

Priest **E**veryone the Father gives to me will come to me;
I will never turn away anyone who believes in me.

He who raised Jesus Christ from the dead will also give new life
to our mortal bodies through his indwelling Spirit.

My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spirit rejoices;
my body also shall rest in hope.

You will show me the path of life; in your presence there is fullness of joy,
and in your right hand are pleasures for evermore.

In sure and certain hope of the resurrection to eternal life through our Lord Jesus
Christ, we commend to Almighty God our brother Steve. And we commit his
remains to their resting place; earth to earth, ashes to ashes, dust to dust.

The Lord bless him and keep him, the Lord make his face to shine upon him
and be gracious to him, the Lord lift up his countenance upon him
and give him peace. **Amen.**

Priest **T**he God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ,
the great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant:
Make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is
well-pleasing in his sight; through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory for ever and ever.
Amen.

Officiant

The Rev. John Saville

Celebrant & Preacher

The Rev. Marcia M. Lockwood

Reader

Blake Williams

Chalice Bearers

John Greenway & Rodger Langland

Crucifer

Jeff Jones

Ushers

Tracy Jones, Corliss Kelly & Courtney Shevelson

Music

Organist & Director of Music Ministries

Steve Denmark

Choir Director

Arthur Wu

St. Dunstan's Choir

Pam Austin, Melanie Cervi, Stephanie Cervi, Bobby Clampett, Marianna Clampett, Phil Clarkson, Margo Fuselier, Chantal Grybas, Betty Kasson, Otto Neely, Art Pasquinelli, Elizabeth Pasquinelli, Sarah Pease, Louis Powell, Bob Priestley, and Arthur Wu



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