# Memorial and Celebration of Walter W. "Wally" Arnold

Saturday, February 26, 2022

All stand as they are able

### **Opening Hymn**

ELW #824

This is my Father's world

The Presider begins

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 himself, and none becomes his own master when he dies. 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. In the midst of life we are in death:

from whom can we seek help? From you alone, O Lord, who by our sins are justly angered. Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy and merciful Savior, deliver us not into the bitterness of eternal death. Lord, you know the secrets of our hearts; shut not your ears to our prayers, but spare us, O Lord. **Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy and merciful Savior, deliver us not into the bitterness of eternal death.** O worthy and eternal Judge, do not let the pains of death turn us away from you at our last hour. **Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy and merciful Savior, deliver us not into the bitterness of eternal death.** 

Presider	The Lord be with you.
People	And also with you.
Presider	Let us pray.

#### Silence may be kept; after which the Presider says

O God, who by the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ destroyed death, and brought life and immortality to light: Grant that your servant *Wally*, being raised with him, may know the strength of his presence, and rejoice in his eternal glory; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen**.

Most merciful God, whose wisdom is beyond our understanding: Deal graciously with Lynn and 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**.

The people sit.

### **Old Testament Reading**

Ecclesiastes 3:1-8

For everything there is a season, and a time for every matter under heaven: a time to be born, and a time to die; a time to plant, and a time to pluck up what is planted; a time to kill, and a time to heal; a time to break down, and a time to build up; a time to weep, and a time to laugh; a time to mourn, and a time to dance; a time to throw away stones, and a time to gather stones together; a time to embrace, and a time to refrain from embracing; a time to seek, and a time to lose; a time to keep, and a time to throw away; a time to tear, and a time to sew; a time to keep silence, and a time to speak; a time to love, and a time to hate; a time for war, and a time for peace.

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### Hymn

Borning cry

The people sit.

#### **New Testament Reading**

Romans 8:14-19, 34-35, 37-39

All who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ—if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory about to be revealed to us. For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the children of God;

Who is to condemn? It is Christ Jesus, who died, yes, who was raised, who is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us. Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will hardship, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, 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.

### Psalm 23

The LORD is my shepherd, I shall not want. He makes me lie down in green pastures; he leads me beside still waters; he restores my soul.
He leads me in right paths for his name's sake.
<sup>4</sup> Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I fear no evil; ELW #732

for you are with me; your rod and your staff they comfort me.
<sup>5</sup>You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.
<sup>6</sup>Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD my whole life long.

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# **Gospel Reading**

John 14:1-7

# GospellerThe Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to<br/>John.PeopleGlory 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. If you know me, you will know<sup>[d]</sup> my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him."

GospellerThe Gospel of the Lord.PeoplePraise to you, Lord Christ.

The people sit.

# **Homily and Reflections**

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### The Apostles' Creed

In the assurance of eternal life given at Baptism, let us proclaim our faith and say,

I believe in God. the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holv Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He 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, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again 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.

### The Prayers of the People

For our brother Wally, 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 for Wally, and dry the tears of those who weep.

### Hear us, Lord.

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

### Hear us, Lord.

You raised the dead to life; give to our brother eternal life.

### Hear us, Lord.

You promised paradise to the thief who repented; bring our brother to the joys of heaven.

### Hear us, Lord.

Our brother Wally was washed in Baptism and anointed with the Holy Spirit; give him fellowship with all your saints.

### Hear us, Lord.

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

### Hear us, Lord.

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

Silence may be kept.

### The Presider concludes

Lord Jesus Christ, we commend to you our brother Wally, who was reborn by water and the Spirit in Holy Baptism. Grant that his death may recall to us your victory over death, and be an occasion for us to renew our trust in your Father's love. Give us, we pray, the faith to follow where you have led the way; and where you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, to the ages of ages. **Amen**.

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## The Peace

Presider	The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People	And also with you.

Then the Ministers and the People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

# The Holy Communion

The Bishop says

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God. *Ephesians 5:2* 

The people sit.

When the Holy Table has been prepared, all stand as they are able.

Bishop	The Lord be with you.
People	And also with you.
Bishop	Lift up your hearts.
People	We lift them to the Lord.
Bishop	Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People	It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Facing the Holy Table, the Bishop proceeds

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

### Bishop and People

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

# The Great Thanksgiving

The Bishop continues

Blessed are you, O holy God: you are the Life and Light of all. By your powerful word you created all things. Through the prophets you called your people to be a light to the nations.

Blessed are you for Jesus, your Son. He is your Light, shining in our darkness and revealing to us your mercy and might.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me. Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore, his preaching and healing, his dying and rising, and his promise to come again,

we await that day when all the universe will rejoice in your holy and life-giving light. By your Spirit bless us and this meal, that, refreshed with this heavenly food, we may be light for the world, revealing the brilliance of your Son.

Through him all glory and honor is yours, Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit, in your holy Church, both now and forever. **Amen.** And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

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

### Bishop and People

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.

### The Breaking of the Bread

*Bishop* Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us; *People* Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

The Bishop says

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Communion will be distributed using individual sealed communion packets.

### **Communion Hymn** *Amazing grace*

ELW #779

# **Post-Communion Prayer**

*After Communion, the Bishop says* Let us pray.

#### Bishop and 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 Bishop blesses the people, saying

The blessing, mercy, and grace of God Almighty, + the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you, and remain with you for ever. **Amen**.

# The Commendation

### The Presider then says

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

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.

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

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

### Canticle 17: The Song of Simeon

#### Nunc dimittis

Lord, you now have set your servant free \* to go in peace as you have promised;
For these eyes of mine have seen the Savior, \* whom you have prepared for all the world to see:

# A Light to enlighten the nations, \* and the glory of your people Israel. Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: \* as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

### **Concluding Hymn**

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A mighty fortress is our God

*Minister* Let us go forth in the name of Christ. *People* **Thanks be to God.** 



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