

**A SERVICE OF THANKSGIVING  
FOR THE LIFE OF**

*Floyd Vernon “Bud” Worline, Sr.*  
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*For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son,  
so that everyone who believes in him may not perish  
but may have eternal life. John 3:16*

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## GATHERING

### INTRODUCTION

*The assembly stands and faces the entrance of the church.*

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, Bud, to give thanks for his life, to commend him to our merciful redeemer, and to comfort one another in our grief.

### THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

*As a sign of being clothed with Christ in baptism, a pall is placed on the urn.*

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.**

## PROCESSIONAL HYMN

## *In the Garden*

I come to the garden alone,  
while the dew is still on the roses;  
And the voice I hear, falling on my ear,  
the Son of God discloses.

### ***Refrain:***

*And he walks with me and he talks with me,  
And he tells me I am his own,  
And the joy we share, as we tarry there,  
None other has ever known.*

He speaks, and the sound of his voice is so sweet  
the birds hush their singing,  
And the melody that he gave to me  
within my heart is ringing. ***Refrain***

I'd stay in the garden with him  
though the night around me be falling,  
But he bids me go; through the voice of woe  
his voice to me is calling. ***Refrain***

## 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, Bud. We thank you for giving them 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.**

*The assembly is seated.*

## FAMILY REMEMBRANCES

### HYMN      *The Old Rugged Cross*

On a hill far away stood an old rugged cross,  
The emblem of suff'ring and shame;  
And I love that old cross where the dearest and best  
For a world of lost sinners was slain.

#### ***Refrain:***

*So I'll cherish the old rugged cross,  
Till my trophies at last I lay down;  
I will cling to the old rugged cross,  
And exchange it some day for a crown.*

Oh, that old rugged cross so despised by the world,  
Has a wondrous attraction for me;  
For the dear Lamb of God left his glory above,  
To bear it to dark Calvary.      ***Refrain***

To the old rugged cross I will ever be true,  
It's shame and reproach gladly bear;  
Then he'll call me some day to my home far away,  
Where his glory forever I'll share.      ***Refrain***

## **WORD**

**FIRST READING:**           *Ecclesiastes 3:1-8*

*After the reading:*

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**PSALM 23 (read in unison)**

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.

Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I fear no evil;

for you are with me; your rod and your staff — they comfort me.

You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies;

you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.

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.

**SECOND READING:**           *John 11:17-27*

*After the reading:*

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**HOLY GOSPEL:**           *John 14:1-7*

*The assembly stands to welcome the gospel.*

The Holy Gospel according to John.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

*After the reading:*

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

**SERMON**

*The assembly is seated. Time for reflection follows the sermon.*

## HYMN OF THE DAY ELW #638

## *Blessed Assurance*

*The assembly stands to proclaim the word of God in song. "ELW" is the red hymnal found in the seats in front of you.*

Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine!  
Oh, what a foretaste of glory divine!  
Heir of salvation, purchase of God,  
born of his Spirit, washed in his blood.

### *Refrain*

This is my story, this is my song,  
praising my Savior, all the day long:  
this is my story, this is my song,  
praising my Savior all the day long.

Perfect submission, perfect delight,  
visions of rapture now burst on my sight;  
angels descending bring from above  
echoes of mercy, whispers of love. *Refrain*

Perfect submission, all is at rest;  
I in my Savior am happy and blest,  
watching and waiting, looking above,  
filled with his goodness, lost in his love. *Refrain*

## 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.

*\*Or, "he descended into hell," another translation of this text in widespread use.*

## **PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

Almighty God, in holy baptism you have knit your chosen people together into one communion of saints in the body of Christ. Give to your whole church in heaven and on earth your light and your peace. God of mercy,

**hear our prayer.**

Grant that all who have been baptized into Christ's death and resurrection may die to sin and rise to share the new life in Christ. God of mercy,

**hear our prayer.**

Give courage and faith to all who mourn, and a sure and certain hope in your loving care, that, casting all their sorrow on you, they may have strength for the days ahead. God of mercy,

**hear our prayer.**

Grant to us who are still in our pilgrimage, and who walk as yet by faith, that, where this world groans in grief and pain, your Holy Spirit may lead us to bear witness to your light and life. God of mercy,

**hear our prayer.**

Help us, in the midst of things we cannot understand, to believe and trust in the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, and the resurrection to life everlasting. God of mercy,

**hear our prayer.**

God of all grace, we give you thanks because by his death our Savior Jesus Christ destroyed the power of death and by his resurrection he opened the kingdom of heaven to all believers. Make us certain that because he lives we shall live also, and that neither death nor life, nor things present nor things to come, will be able to separate us from your love in Christ Jesus our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

## SHARING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

**And also with you.**

*The people may greet one another with a handshake as a sign of Christ's peace and may say **Peace be with you** or similar words. When all have returned to their places, the assembly is seated.*

## PREPARATION HYMN ELW #856

*How Great Thou Art*

O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder  
consider all the works thy hand hath made,  
I see the stars, I hear the mighty thunder,  
thy pow'r throughout the universe displayed;

### *Refrain*

Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee,  
how great thou art! How great thou art!  
Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee,  
how great thou art! How great thou art!

When through the woods and forest glades I wander,  
I hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees;  
when I look down from lofty mountain grandeur  
and hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze; *Refrain*

But when I think that God, his Son not sparing,  
sent him to die, I scarce can take it in,  
that on the cross my burden gladly bearing  
he bled and died to take away my sin; *Refrain*

When Christ shall come, with shout of acclamation,  
and take me home, what joy shall fill my heart!  
Then I shall bow in humble adoration  
and there proclaim, "My God, how great thou art!" *Refrain*

## GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**



## TABLE PRAYER

### LORD'S PRAYER

*The Spirit makes us one, we pray as Jesus taught us:*

**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 assembly is seated.*

### DISTRIBUTION

***Holy Communion*** is the family meal of God's people, to which we come at Jesus' invitation. The body and blood of Christ, in the bread and wine, are his real presence with us and offer the gift of forgiveness because of his death and resurrection. Drawn together and strengthened by this meal, we are given a taste of the fullness of God's coming kingdom, and are equipped to be the hands and feet of God's love in the world. All baptized Christians are always welcome at the Lord's table.

**DISTRIBUTION:** When indicated by the ushers, come up the right-hand ramp to approach the altar rail. When finished you may leave individually without being dismissed. **WINE** is lighter-colored and **GRAPE JUICE** is dark; wine is received either by Common Cup or from individual cups in the trays. **USED GLASSES** are placed in the basket located near the ramp. **GLUTEN-FREE BREAD IS AVAILABLE**, please indicate to the server that you require this.

## HYMNS DURING COMMUNION

### ELW #485    *I Am the Bread of Life*

"I am the Bread of life.  
You who come to me shall not hunger,  
and who believe in me shall not thirst.  
No one can come to me unless the Father beckons."

#### ***Refrain***

"And I will raise you up,  
and I will raise you up,  
and I will raise you up on the last day."

"The bread that I will give  
is my flesh for the life of the world,  
and if you eat of this bread,  
you shall live forever, you shall live forever." ***Refrain***

"Unless you eat  
of the flesh of the Son of Man  
and drink of his blood,  
and drink of his blood,  
you shall not have life within you." ***Refrain***

"I am the resurrection,  
I am the life.  
If you believe in me,  
even though you die, you shall live forever." ***Refrain***

Yes, Lord, I believe  
that you are the Christ,  
the Son of God,  
who have come into the world. ***Refrain***

## **ELW #779    *Amazing Grace***

Amazing grace! how sweet the sound  
that saved a wretch like me!  
I once was lost, but now am found;  
was blind, but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,  
and grace my fears relieved;  
how precious did that grace appear  
the hour I first believed!

Through many dangers, toils, and snares  
I have already come;  
'tis grace has brought me safe thus far,  
and grace will lead me home.

The Lord has promised good to me;  
his word my hope secures;  
he will my shield and portion be  
as long as life endures.

When we've been there ten thousand years,  
bright shining as the sun,  
we've no less days to sing God's praise  
than when we'd first begun.

*When all have returned to their places, the presiding minister continues.*

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.  
**Amen.**

### **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

Life-giving God, in the mystery of Christ's resurrection you send light to conquer darkness, water to give new life, and the bread of life to nourish your people. Send us forth as witnesses to your Son's resurrection, that we may show your glory to all the world, through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord.

**Amen.**

## **HYMN ELW #581**

## ***You Are Mine***

*The assembly is seated.*

I will come to you in the silence  
I will lift you from all your fear  
You will hear My voice  
I claim you as My choice  
Be still, and know I am near

I am hope for all who are hopeless  
I am eyes for all who long to see  
In the shadows of the night,  
I will be your light  
Come and rest in Me

### ***Refrain***

*Do not be afraid, I am with you  
I have called you each by name  
Come and follow Me  
I will bring you home  
I love you and you are mine*

I am strength for all the despairing  
Healing for the ones who dwell in shame  
All the blind will see, the lame will all run free  
And all will know My name   ***Refrain***

I am the Word that leads all to freedom  
I am the peace the world cannot give  
I will call your name, embracing all your pain  
Stand up, now, walk, and live!   ***Refrain***

## **COMMENDATION**

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

*Silence is kept.*

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

### **BLESSING**

*The assembly stands.*

Almighty God, Father, ☩ Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

**Amen.**

Let us go in peace,

**In the name of Christ. Amen.**

### **SENDING HYMN     *I'll Fly Away***

Some glad morning when this life is o'er,

I'll fly away.

To a home on God's celestial shore,

I'll fly away.

#### ***Refrain***

*I'll fly away, O glory; I'll fly away.*

*When I die, hallelujah by and by,*

*I'll fly away.*

When the shadows of this life have grown,

I'll fly away.

Like a bird from prison bars has flown,

I'll fly away.     ***Refrain***

Just a few more weary days and then

I'll fly away.

To a land where joys shall never end,

I'll fly away.     ***Refrain***

*A procession may form and leave the church, the ministers leading.*

*We continue to the Church Hall for Dinner.*

## **Floyd Vernon “Bud” Worline, Sr.,**

Bud was born March 3, 1947, in Gary, IN, to the late Cleo Vernon Worline and Clara Louise (Casto) Worline. Bud graduated from Wheeler High School in 1965, and proudly served in the US Navy from 1965-1969 on the USS Boxer LPH4. He then made his career with US Steel Works in Gary from 1969-2003 in the Sheet and Tin #4CA Production Line. In his free time Bud enjoyed woodworking, golfing, fishing, gardening, playing the trumpet, and cheering for the Chicago Bears. He loved watching his grandkids in all of their many activities. Bud was a hardworking and selfless man who was often helping others.

He will be remembered as a loving and devoted husband, father, grandfather, and great-grandfather, who will be dearly missed.

On August 10, 1968, in Minneapolis, MN, Bud married JoAnne Wodarz, who survives, along with their children: Floyd (Stephanie) Worline, Jr. of Wanatah, and Lara (Scott) Stuteville of Ft. Wayne; grandchildren: Brittany, Savanna, Andy, and Matthew; and great-granddaughter, Kinsley. He was preceded in death by his brother, Wyatt Worline; and sister, Joyce Spoljaric.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to [Autism Speaks](#) or [St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital](#).

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**4:00 P.M.**