

**MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR
CARL WATSON WELCH
MARCH 25, 1940 – JULY 3, 2022**

PRELUDE

We stand.

INVOCATION

P We begin this service in the saving name in which Carl was baptized, and now rests and lives for all eternity. In the name of the Father, and of the Son, T and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

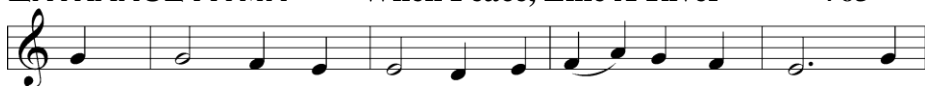
REMEMBRANCE OF BAPTISM

P We have gathered this day to remember the life and faith of Carl Welch. To praise God for all that He has given us in him, and to thank God for the gift of grace which we possess by faith in Jesus Christ. We praise God for the comfort found in the seal of the holy cross placed upon Carl at his Baptism which marked him as one redeemed by Christ the Crucified and joined him with Jesus Christ in the resurrection of the dead. We thank God for redeeming Carl's life so that we may face the future with confidence in the eternal life that he now possesses. Thanks be to God, that in His grace, we do not grieve as those who have no hope, but as those who place their trust in God!

ENTRANCE HYMN

“When Peace, Like A River”

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1 When peace, like a riv - er, at - tend - eth my way; When
2 Though Sa - tan should buf - fet, though tri - als should come, Let
3 He lives— oh, the bliss of this glo - ri - ous thought; My
4 And, Lord, haste the day when our faith shall be sight, The



sor - rows, like sea bil - lows, roll; What - ev - er my lot, Thou hast
this blest as - sur - ance con - trol, That Christ hath re - gard - ed my
sin, not in part, but the whole, Is nailed to His cross, and I
clouds be rolled back as a scroll, The trum - pet shall sound and the



taught me to say, It is well, it is well with my soul.
help - less es - tate And hath shed His own blood for my soul.
bear it no more. Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul!
Lord shall de - scend; E - ven so it is well with my soul.

Refrain



It is well with my soul, It is well, it is well with my soul.

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SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray.

O God of grace and mercy, we give thanks for Your loving-kindness shown to Carl and to all Your servants who, having finished their course in faith, now rest from their labors. Grant that we also may be faithful unto death and receive the crown of eternal life; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

We sit.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Isaiah 40:28-31

Have you not known? Have you not heard?
The LORD is the everlasting God,
the Creator of the ends of the earth.
He does not faint or grow weary;
his understanding is unsearchable.
He gives power to the faint,
and to him who has no might he increases strength.
Even youths shall faint and be weary,
and young men shall fall exhausted;
but they who wait for the LORD shall renew their strength;
they shall mount up with wings like eagles;
they shall run and not be weary;
they shall walk and not faint.

℣ This is the Word of the Lord.

℟ **Thanks be to God.**

EPISTLE READING

Romans 8:31-39

What then shall we say to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us? He who did not spare his own Son but gave him up for us all, how will he not also with him graciously give us all things? Who shall bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. Who is to condemn? Christ Jesus is the one who died—more than that, who was raised—who is at the right hand of God, who indeed is interceding for us. Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or danger, or sword? As it is written,

“For your sake we are being killed all the day long;
we are regarded as sheep to be slaughtered.”

No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am sure 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.

℣ This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

We stand.

VERSE

P Alleluia, alleluia. Jesus Christ is the firstborn of the dead;

C to Him be glory and power forever. Alleluia.

HOLY GOSPEL

John 14:1-6

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 14th chapter.

C Glory to You, O Lord.

“Let not your hearts be troubled. Believe in God; believe also in me. In my Father's house are many rooms. 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, that where I am you may be also. And you know the way to 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.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

APOSTLES' CREED

P God has made us His people through our Baptism into Christ. Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith.

**C I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.**

**And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell.

The third day He rose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven

and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.

From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the holy Christian Church,

the communion of saints. the forgiveness of sins,

the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

believes in Me will live, even though he dies; and whoever lives and believes in Me will never die."

C Lord, now You let Your servant go in peace;

Your word has been fulfilled.

**My own eyes have seen the salvation
which You have prepared in the sight of every people:
a light to reveal You to the nations
and the glory of Your people Israel.**

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

P "I am the resurrection and the life," says the Lord. "He who believes in Me will live, even though he dies; and whoever lives and believes in Me will never die."

CLOSING PRAYER

BENEDICAMUS AND BENEDICTION

P Let us bless the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

P The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and T give you peace.

C Amen.

P Let us go forth in peace,

C in the name of the Lord. Amen.

Refrain

Lead me, guide me, a - long the way;

For if You lead me, I can - not stray.

Lord, let me walk each day with Thee.

Lead me, O Lord, lead me.

1 I am weak and I need Thy strength and pow'r
 2 Help me tread in the paths of right - teous - ness,
 3 I am lost if You take Your hand from me,

To help me o - ver my weak - est hour.
 Be my aid when Sa - tan and sin op - press.
 I am blind with - out Thy light to see.

Help me through the dark-ness Thy face to see.
 I am put - ting all my trust in Thee.
 Lord, al - ways let me Thy ser - vant be.

Refrain

Lead me, O Lord, lead me.
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POSTLUDE

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The large candle at the front of the sanctuary is the Paschal Candle, or Christ Candle. It is used particularly at Funeral Services, and at Baptisms to remind us of the intimate connection each Christian has with the Savior.

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