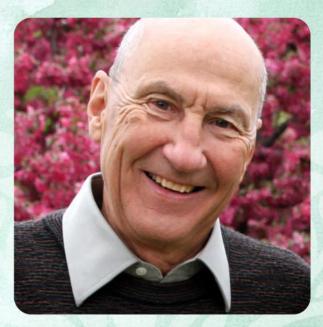
a celebration of life and resurrection



Verne Eugene Weiss

APRIL 15, 1937 - DECEMBER 19, 2024



AN ELCA CONGREGATION 2060 CTY RD 6 | LONG LAKE, MN 55356

FRIDAY, JANUARY 3, 2025 AT 11AM

PRELUDE

GATHERING and THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the source of all mercy and the God of all consolation. God comforts us in all our sorrows so that we can comfort others in their sorrows with the consolation we ourselves have received from God.

Thanks be to God.

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 and PRAYER

MUSIC | Sheep May Safely Gaze | Zara Coakley, flute

REMEMBRANCES | George Goldade, Joyclyn Weiss

READING | Isaiah 40:1-11, 28-31 | Marci Yeakel, Greta Goldade Comfort, O comfort my people, says your God. Speak tenderly to Jerusalem, and cry to her that she has served her term, that her penalty is paid, that she has received from the Lord's hand double for all her sins. A voice cries out: "In the wilderness prepare the way of the Lord; make straight in the desert a highway for our God. Every valley shall be lifted up, and every mountain and hill be made low; the uneven ground shall become level, and the rough places a plain. Then the glory of the Lord shall be revealed, and all flesh shall see it together, for the mouth of the Lord has spoken." A voice says, "Cry out!" And I said, "What shall I cry?" All flesh is grass; their constancy is like the flower of the field. The grass withers; the flower fades, when the breath of the Lord blows upon it; surely the people are grass. The grass withers; the flower fades, but the word of our God will stand forever. Get you up to a high mountain, O Zion, herald of good news; lift up your voice with strength, O Jerusalem, herald of good news; lift it up, do not fear; say to the cities of Judah, "Here is your God!" See, the Lord God comes with might, and his arm rules for him; his reward is with him and his recompense before him.

He will feed his flock like a shepherd; he will gather the lambs in his arms and carry them in his bosom and gently lead the mother sheep. 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 strengthens the powerless. Even youths will faint and be weary, and the young will fall exhausted, but those 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.

READING | 1 Corinthians 15:12-26 | Anne Kurowski

Now if Christ is proclaimed as raised from the dead, how can some of you say there is no resurrection of the dead? If there is no resurrection of the dead, then Christ has not been raised, and if Christ has not been raised, then our proclamation is in vain and your faith is in vain. We are even found to be misrepresenting God, because we testified of God that he raised Christ—whom he did not raise if it is true that the dead are not raised. For if the dead are not raised, then Christ has not been raised. If Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile, and you are still in your sins. Then those also who have died in Christ have perished. If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied. But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died. For since death came through a human, the resurrection of the dead has also come through a human, for as all die in Adam, so all will be made alive in Christ. But each in its own order: Christ the first fruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ. Then comes the end, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father, after he has destroyed every ruler and every authority and power. For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. The last enemy to be destroyed is death.

GOSPEL | John 14:1-7

[Jesus said:] "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 my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him."

SERMON | Pastor Ann Fenlason

HYMN | Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah Guide me, O thou great Jehovah, pilgrim through this barren land. I am weak, but Thou art mighty; hold me with thy pow'rful hand. Bread of heaven, feed me till I want no more,

Open now the crystal fountain whence the healing stream doth flow; let the fiery, cloudy pillar lead me all my journey through. Strong deliverer, be thou still my strength and shield.

When I tread the verge of Jordan, bid my anxious fears subside; death of death and hell's destruction, land me safe on Canaan's side. Songs of praises, I will ever give to thee.

Text: William Williams, 1717-1791; tr. William Williams and Peter Williams, 1722-1796

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

After "God of mercy," please respond, "hear our prayer."

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread; Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS | TABLE GRACE

COMMENDATION

Into your hands, O merciful Savior, we commend your servant, *Verne Eugene Weiss*. 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.**

BENEDICTION

SONG | When the Saints Go Marching In O, when the saints go marching in,

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

When the saints go marching in.

O, when the sun refused to shine,

O, when the sun refused to shine,

O Lord, I want to be in that number When the sun refused to shine.

O, when they crown him Lord of all,

O, when they crown him Lord of all,

O Lord, I want to be in that number When they crown him Lord of all.

POSTLUDE

Officiating | Pastor Ann Fenlason Music Director | Mark Hemingway Trumpet | Ken Ross

Immediately following the service, you are invited to greet the family in the Great Hall where lunch will be served.

OBITUARY FOR VERNE EUGENE WEISS

Verne Eugene Weiss passed away December 19, 2024. Verne was born April 15,1937 to Bertha Agnes Faas Weiss and Carl Ernest Weiss on Sadie Marshall's farm in Deep River Township, Poweshiek County, IA. He was baptized on May 9, 1937 at St. John's Lutheran Church near Victor, IA and confirmed into the Lutheran faith on May 13, 1951 at St. James Lutheran Church in Victor, IA.

In 1941, Verne's parents bought a farm between Guernsey and Brooklyn Iowa where Verne grew up. He went to school in Guernsey and graduated salutatorian out of a class of nine in 1955. He subsequently attended Iowa State University and joined Beta Sigma Psi fraternity where he held several offices including Chapter President for two terms. He graduated with a BS in Chemical Engineering in 1959.

After graduation, Verne was hired by General Mills as a food engineer in the development of new cereals and snacks. He was promoted to Director of Research for the Golden Valley Division and later Director of Research for the Big G division and Packaging. His last years with GMI were spent as Manager of Technology for International Technology sales. He retired in 1994 after 35 years with GMI. His retirement years were filled with volunteer work including 10 years on the Board of Lutheran Social Services of MN. His hobbies included genealogy, golf, world travel and gardening.

On August 25, 1962 he married the love of his life, Phyllis Jean Hanson, at Our Saviour's Lutheran Church in Crookston, MN. Phyllis passed away to her Lord and Savior on October 17, 2020. Verne is survived by two daughters, Jennifer Lynn Weiss (Glen Coakley), and Joyclyn Jean Weiss, three grandchildren, George Thomas Weiss Goldade, Greta Jean Weiss Goldade and Zara Marie Coakley.

He is preceded in death by his wife, parents, brother George Dean Weiss, and sister Florence Isola Weiss Baethke.

His ashes will be laid to rest in the Columbaria at Trinity Lutheran Church of Long Lake, MN. Memorials are suggested to Trinity Lutheran Church of Long Lake, MN, Lutheran Social Services of MN, Western Hennepin County Pioneer Assoc., Interfaith Outreach or the charity of the donor's choice in lieu of flowers.

Verne requests that you celebrate life, cherish your loved ones, be kind to one another and praise God for all the blessings this life has to offer.