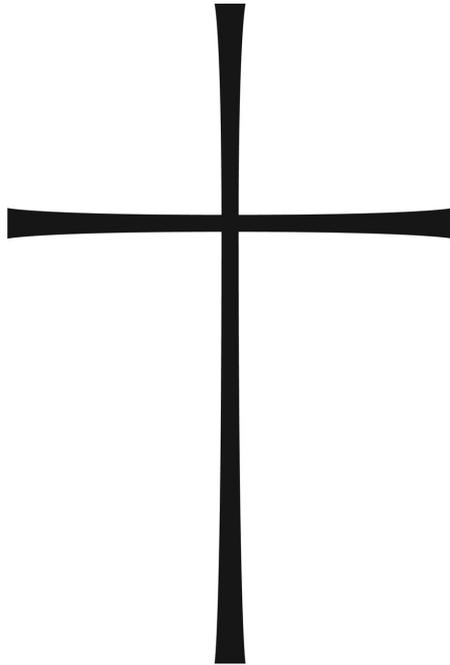


*Funeral Service of*  
**Dennis H. Ziemann**

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Saturday, February 8, 2020  
11:00 a.m.

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*Fairmont, MN*

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**INVOCATION & REMEMBRANCE OF BAPTISM**

**P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

**P** In Holy Baptism Dennis was clothed with the robe of Christ's righteousness that covered all his sin. St. Paul says, "Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into His death?"

**C** **We were buried therefore with Him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of 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.**      *Romans 6:3-5*

**ENTRANCE HYMN: LSB 790 "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"**

- 1 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!  
O my soul, praise Him, for He is your health and salvation!  
Let all who hear Now to His temple draw near,  
Joining in glad adoration!
- 2 Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things is wondrously reigning  
And, as on wings of an eagle, uplifting, sustaining.  
Have you not seen All that is needful has been  
Sent by His gracious ordaining?
- 3 Praise to the Lord, who has fearfully, wondrously, made you,  
Health has bestowed and, when heedlessly falling, has stayed you.  
What need or grief Ever has failed of relief?  
Wings of His mercy did shade you.
- 4 Praise to the Lord, who will prosper your work and defend you;  
Surely His goodness and mercy shall daily attend you.  
Ponder anew What the Almighty can do  
As with His love He befriends you.
- 5 Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore Him!  
All that has life and breath, come now with praises before Him!  
Let the Amen Sound from His people again;  
Gladly forever adore Him!

## KYRIE, SALUTATION & COLLECT OF THE DAY

**P** Lord, have mercy upon us.

**C** **Christ, have mercy upon us.**  
**Lord, have mercy upon us.**

**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 Dennis 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.**

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### OLD TESTAMENT READING: Psalm 26:1-5, 9-12 (ESV)

Vindicate me, O LORD,  
for I have walked in my integrity,  
and I have trusted in the Lord without wavering.

Prove me, O LORD, and try me;  
test my heart and my mind.

For your steadfast love is before my eyes,  
and I walk in your faithfulness.

I do not sit with men of falsehood,  
nor do I consort with hypocrites.

I hate the assembly of evildoers,  
and I will not sit with the wicked...

O LORD, I love the habitation of your house  
and the place where your glory dwells.

Do not sweep my soul away with sinners,  
nor my life with bloodthirsty men,  
in whose hands are evil devices,  
and whose right hands are full of bribes.

But as for me, I shall walk in my integrity;  
redeem me, and be gracious to me.

My foot stands on level ground;  
in the great assembly I will bless the LORD.

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

## PSALM 23 (KJV)

**P** The LORD *is* my shepherd;

**C** **I shall not want.**

**P** He maketh me to lie down in green pastures:

**C** **He leadeth me beside the still waters.**

**P** He restoreth my soul:

**C** **He leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for His name's sake.**

**P** Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for Thou *art* with me;

**C** **Thy rod and Thy staff they comfort me.**

**P** Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies:

**C** **Thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.**

**P** Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life:

**C** **and I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever.**

**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.**

## EPISTLE: 1 Corinthians 15:51-58 (ESV)

Behold! I tell you a mystery. We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed, in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised imperishable, and we shall be changed. For this perishable body must put on the imperishable, and this mortal body must put on immortality. When the perishable puts on the imperishable, and the mortal puts on immortality, then shall come to pass the saying that is written:

“Death is swallowed up in victory.”

“O death, where is your victory?

O death, where is your sting?”

The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. Therefore, my beloved brothers, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that in the Lord your labor is not in vain.

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

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## VERSE (General) *Revelation 1:5-6*

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

**C** **to Him be glory and power forever. Alleluia.**

## HOLY GOSPEL: St. John 14:1-7, 27 (ESV)

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 14<sup>th</sup> chapter.

**C** **Glory to You, O Lord.**

[Jesus said:] “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. If you had known me, you would have known my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him... Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid.”

**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.**

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**SOLO: “Beautiful Savior”**

**SERMON: “A Man of Godliness” (1 Timothy 4:8)**

Dennis’ Confirmation Memory Verse: *“Godliness is profitable unto all things, having promise of the life that now is, and of that which is to come.”* 1 Timothy 4:8 KJV

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### PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

**P** Let us pray to the Lord, our God and Father, who raised Jesus from the dead.

**P** Almighty God, You have knit Your chosen people together into one communion in the mystical body of Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. Give to Your whole Church in heaven and on earth Your light and peace. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** Grant that all who have been baptized into Christ's death and resurrection may die to sin and rise to newness of life and so pass with Him through the gate of death and the grave to our joyful resurrection. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** Grant that all who have been nourished by the holy body and blood of Your Son may be raised to immortality and incorruption to be seated with Him at Your heavenly banquet. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** Give to the family of Dennis and to all who mourn comfort in their grief and a sure confidence in Your loving care that, casting all their sorrow on You, they may know the consolation of Your love. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** Give courage and faith to the bereaved, that within the communion of Your Church they may have strength to meet the days ahead in the assurance of a holy and certain hope and in the joyful expectation of eternal life with those they love who have departed in the faith. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** Help us, we pray, in the midst of things we cannot understand, to believe and find comfort in the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** Receive our thanks for Dennis and for all the blessings You bestowed on him in this earthly life. Bring us at last to our heavenly home that with him we may see You face to face in the joys of paradise. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** O God of all grace, You sent Your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, to bring life and immortality to light. We give You thanks that by His death He destroyed the power of death and by His resurrection He opened the kingdom of heaven to all believers. Strengthen us in the confidence 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, which is in Christ Jesus, our Lord, who

lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C Amen.**

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### **LORD'S PRAYER SOLO**

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### **NUNC DIMITTIS**

**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."

**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."

### **CONCLUDING COLLECT**

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C And also with you.**

**P** Let us pray. Lord God, our shepherd, You gather the lambs of Your flock into the arms of Your mercy and bring them home. Comfort us with the certain hope of the resurrection to everlasting life and a joyful reunion with those we love who have died in the faith; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C Amen.**

### **COMMITTAL** (*The full committal will take place at the cemetery*)

**P** Merciful Father and Lord of life, with whom live the spirits of those who depart in the faith, we thank You for the blessings of body and soul that You granted this departed brother, Dennis, whose earthly remains we will lay to rest. Above all, we rejoice at Your gracious promise to all Your servants, both living and departed, that we shall be raised from death at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C Amen.**

**P** May God the Father, who created this body; may God the † Son, who by His blood redeemed this body; may God the Holy Spirit, who by Holy Baptism sanctified this body to be His temple, keep these remains to the day of the resurrection of all flesh.

**C** Amen.

**P** Almighty God, by the death of Your Son Jesus Christ You destroyed death, by His rest in the tomb You sanctified the graves of Your saints, and by His bodily resurrection You brought life and immortality to light so that all who die in Him abide in peace and hope. Receive our thanks for the victory over death and the grave that He won for us. Keep us in everlasting communion with all who wait for Him on earth and with all in heaven who are with Him, for He is the resurrection and the life, even Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**C** Amen.

#### MEAL PRAYER

**C** Come, Lord Jesus, be our guest, and let these gifts to us be blessed. Oh, give thanks unto to the Lord, for He is good, and His mercy endures forever. Amen.

#### 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 † give you peace.

**C** Amen.

**P** Let us go forth in peace,

**C** in the name of the Lord. Amen.

#### RECESSIONAL: *LSB* 837 “Lift High the Cross”

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*For those not going out to the cemetery, lunch downstairs immediately follows the Service. Committal is at Fairview Memorial Park.*

**Pastor:** Rev. Anthony Bertram

**Organist:** Mr. Michael Kutch

**Soloist:** Mr. Steve Pomerence