

A MEMORIAL SERVICE
IN CELEBRATION AND THANKSGIVING
FOR THE LIFE OF



Paul Rauch Meyer
JUNE 23, 1936 TO APRIL 19, 2020

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The liturgy for the dead is an Easter liturgy. It finds all meaning in the resurrection. Because Jesus was raised from the dead, we too, shall be raised.

The liturgy, therefore, is characterized by joy, in the certainty that "neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, 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." (Romans 8:38-39)

This joy, however, does not make human grief unchristian. The very love we have for each other in Christ brings deep sorrow when we are parted by death. Jesus himself wept at the grave of his friend, Lazarus. So, while we rejoice that one we love has entered into the nearer presence of God we sorrow in sympathy with those who mourn.

From The Book of Common Prayer, p. 507

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*We invite you to help create the experience of silence before our service.
Our hope is to calm our hearts as we prepare to enter into an intensity of
shared presence.*

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THE GATHERING

Voluntaries

Video “Love is What Makes the Ride Worthwhile”

—Paul Meyer

Betsy Boyer

THE ENTRANCE

At the sound of the bell, all rise as able.

The Presider says the following anthems in procession.

Presider The death of someone we love and care about
Is like the death of part of us.
No one else will ever call out from within us
Quite the same responses, the same feelings or actions or ideas.
Their death is an ending of one part of a story.

As we look back over Paul's life
We ask what we have received, what we can appropriate
And continue on in our own lives and what must be laid to rest.
Our love for him reminds us that our sharing
In one another's lives brings both support and pain.
Our being parted from him reminds us of our own mortality
And that love is enduring.

We give thanks that our love for Paul draws us together
And gives us a new appreciation of one another
And of the beauty and fragility of relationships
Time's tide may wash his footprints from the shore
But not our love for him nor the influence of his life upon our own
Nor the ways in which they will ever be a sign for us
Of those things which really matter-which are eternal.

Collect of the Day

Presider The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Presider Let us pray.

O God of grace and glory, we remember before you this day our brother Paul. We thank you for giving him to us, his family and friends, to know and love as a companion on our earthly pilgrimage. In your boundless compassion, console us who mourn. Give us faith to see in death the gate of eternal life, so that in quiet confidence we may continue our course on earth, until, by your call, we are reunited with those who have gone before; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Musical Interlude

Come Unto Him

George Frideric Handel (1685-1759)

*Patricia Bostrom, Piano
Virginia King, French Horn
(Seattle Civic Band)*

Eulogies

Jody Nyquist, Partner
Jay Meyer, Son (Read by William Meyer)
William Meyer for Meyer Family
Art Wright, Ancient Mariner
Mark Pearson, Friend

Goodbye, My Friend

You fought the good fight you finished the race
You stayed the course you kept the faith
Now I'm gonna miss you in so many ways, **Goodbye, My Friend**

I'll miss your smile and I'll miss your touch
I'll miss that laugh that I love so much
The part of me that is part of us
So hard to let that go

You fought the good fight you finished the race
You stayed the course and you kept the faith
Now I'm gonna miss you in so many ways, **Goodbye, My Friend**

Miss you in ways both big and small
So many I can't count them all
Simply being there maybe most of all
Who I was when you were there

You fought the good fight you finished the race
You stayed the course you kept the faith
Now I'm gonna miss you in so many ways, **Goodbye, My Friend**

Miss feeling I am not alone
The feeling I have made it home
What I did not know I'd know
Till hand in hand with you

You fought the good fight you finished the race
You stayed the course you kept the faith
Now I'm gonna miss you in so many ways, **Goodbye, My Friend**

*Mark Pearson
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Love Gives More Music*

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

The people sit for the

Psalm 100 *read by Steve Moen ("Burgermaster Bishops")*

Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth.
Worship the Lord with gladness;
come into his presence with singing.

Know that the Lord is God.
It is he that made us, and we are his;
we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

Enter his gates with thanksgiving,
and his courts with praise.
Give thanks to him, bless his name.

For the Lord is good;
his steadfast love endures for ever,
and his faithfulness to all generations.

The people stand.

The Gospel

John 15:9-12

Gospeler The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete.

'This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you.

Gospeler The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

Homily

The Reverend Earl F. Palmer
Pastor Emeritus,
University Presbyterian Church
Seattle

Reflective silence and stillness are kept after the homily.

Remain seated for

Psalm 23 (*King James Version*) read by Dwynn Nyquist

The LORD is my shepherd;
I shall not want.
He maketh me to lie down in green pastures;
he leadeth me beside the still waters.
He restoreth my soul;
he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his Name's sake.
Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,
I will fear no evil;
for thou art with me;
thy rod and thy staff, they comfort me.
Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies;
thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.
Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life,
and I will dwell in the house of the LORD for ever.

Solo

On Eagle's Wings

Michael Joncas

Kathea Yarnell, mezzo-soprano

THE PRAYERS

The people stand.

Reader As our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray,

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,
for ever and ever. Amen.

The reader offers the following prayers to which the people respond, "Amen."

Almighty God, who has knit together your elect in one communion and fellowship, in the mystical body of your Son Jesus Christ: Grant, we beseech you, to your whole Church in paradise and on earth, your light and your peace. **Amen.**

Grant to all who mourn a sure confidence in your divine care, that, casting all their grief on you, they may know the consolation of your love. **Amen.**

Give courage and faith to those who are bereaved, that they may have strength to meet the days ahead in the comfort of a reasonable and holy hope, in the joyful expectation of eternal life with those they love. **Amen.**

Grant us grace to entrust Paul to your never-failing love; receive him into the arms of your mercy, and remember him according to the favor which you bear for all people. **Amen.**

Grant us, with all who have died in the hope of the resurrection, to have our consummation and bliss in your eternal and everlasting glory, and, with all your saints, to receive the crown of life which you have promised in the victory of your Son Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Piano Solo

Amazing Grace

John Newton

Patricia Bostrom, piano

THE COMMENDATION

The people stand and the presider says

God, we pray to you for Paul, whom we love, but see no longer: Grant him your peace; let light perpetual shine upon him; and, in your loving wisdom and almighty power, work in him the good purpose of your continued perfection of his soul; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Presider Give rest, O Christ, to your servant with your saints,

People where sorrow and pain are no more,
neither sighing, but life everlasting.

Presider You only are immortal, the creator and maker of humankind; and we are mortal, formed of the earth, and to earth shall we return. For so you did ordain when you created us, 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.

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

Presider Rest eternal grant to Paul, O Lord;

People And let light perpetual shine upon him.

Presider May his soul and the souls of all the departed,
through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

People Amen.

The people sit.

Solo

Let Love Go Forward

Love is a candle that lights up the night
Love is a star that we follow to daylight
Love is a lighthouse to lead us safely home
The surest light we'll ever know

Chorus

Let love go forward from this time and place
Shine its healing light in a gentle embrace
Let love go forward from this place and time
Let love shine

Love can unite us though we are apart
Love is the answer we all learn by heart
Hopeful and faithful whatever we may do
Love now waits for us to choose

Chorus

Let the light of love always shine from you
Illuminating what is fine and true
May you shine with your own special light
Together let us light up the night

Chorus

Let love go forward from this time and place
Shine its healing light in a gentle embrace
Let love go forward from this place and time
Let love shine

Mark Pearson

The people stand.

The Blessing

Presider The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Dismissal

Presider Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia. Alleluia.

People **Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia.**

The people remain standing as the procession exits the church.

Voluntary

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Meyer Family

Jay Meyer
Gloria Meyer
 Mark Meyer
Roger Meyer
Joyce Meyer
 William Meyer
 Douglas Meyer
 John Meyer
 Elizabeth Meyer
 Paul Meyer
 Nan Meyer

Goodfellow Family

Nanna Goodfellow
Peter Goodfellow
Kathleen Goodfellow
 Lexi Goodfellow

Nyquist Family

Jody Nyquist
 Dwynn Nyquist
 Kristi O'Connor Nyquist
 Michael Nyquist
 Tyler Nyquist
 Olivia Nyquist

Tuesday Breakfast Group

Jay Holman
Tim Hill
Jerry Johnson
Dick Eddie
Norward Brooks
Warren Peterson
John Ruhl

Thursday "Burgermaster Bishops"

Steve Moen
Earl Grout
Lee Knock
John Earley
Dave Leisy

Shared Breakfast

Reverend Jeremy Smith, Pastor
First United Methodist Church of
Seattle

Classic Ancient Mariners

Bill Aho
Craig Bleeker
Bill Cameron
Cliff Cooley
David Gee
Dave's Jones
Alex Kimball
Anne Martin
Chuck Meyer
Jody Nyquist
Alex Parkman
Fred Pot
Fred Raney
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Art Wright

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Don Smith
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Bill Hood
John Reid
Doug Campbell
Pat Hughes

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Rowers**

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Harold Pebbles
Gene Phillips
Beeze Richards
John Sayre
Bob Svendensen

Paul Rauch Meyer
June 23, 1936 - April 19, 2020

Paul Rauch Meyer, beloved partner, father, grandpa, and friend to all, died of an unexpected heart attack at his favorite place in the world, Lake Chelan, Sunday, April 19, 2020. Born in Elma Washington, June 26, 1936, to Martha and Paul Meyer, Paul grew up in Malone and later in Lakewood. His fondness for the Olympic Mountains got him into mountaineering early. Over the years, he climbed all the major peaks in Washington State, summited Mt. Rainier twice, and passed onto his sons his fondness for the wilderness. But that was only part of his full life.

Paul graduated from the University of Washington with an undergraduate degree in Political Science and a Masters Degree in Public Administration. He spent 20 years in public service and served as Seattle-King County Ombudman from 1974-1979. He spent the next 20 years in the private sector where he consulted with small family businesses, and finally served as an arbitrator for FINRA. (Financial Industry Regulatory Authority) In addition to his professional life, Paul was a Paul Harris Rotarian, Past Commodore of the Ancient Mariners, Member of the Seattle Tennis Club, a US Army Veteran, a Mason, a DKE, and played French Horn in the Seattle Civic Band.

Paul married Mary Quillian in 1960 and had two children, Christopher and Jay, ending in divorce. In 1969, he became a devoted husband to Nancy Lee Bryant until her death in 2007. Together they raised their four children, Paul's Christopher and Jay and Nancy's Nanna and Peter. In 2009, he became partners with Jody Nyquist, and formed a special relationship with her son Dwynn, his wife Kristi, and their three children, Michael, Tyler, and Olivia.

Paul has been an oarsman since he was a freshman at UW and rowed 3 times a week to this day. Paul maintained it taught him "the importance of discipline, academic excellence, team work, and trust," principles that he applied the rest of his life. Paul was an avid reader, amazingly curious about all of life, and continually challenged himself to learn more. In retirement, he set off to explore the world as well as to volunteer for many non-profits and church groups.

Paul was a man of profound faith, not only in God but in everyone. He loved people. He had a generous heart for all and a calling to help others. He loved boundlessly and was fiercely loyal. With a twinkle in his eye and a smile, his goal was to "use his God given talents to make the world a better place." He was so loved and will be sorely missed by his family and his legions of friends.

Paul is survived by his partner, Jody Nyquist, brother Roger Meyer, children Jay Meyer (Gloria), Nanna Goodfellow, and Peter Goodfellow (Kathleen), and grandchildren Mark Meyer and Alexis Goodfellow (Simone). He was preceded in death by his son Christopher Meyer and granddaughter Kimberley Meyer.

Donations can be made in Paul Meyer's name to the Christopher Rauch Meyer Endowed Fund at the University of Washington (<https://tinyurl.com/MeyerFund> or by calling 1-800-332-0565) or to Shared Breakfast (for the homeless) at First Church United Methodist Church of Seattle (www.firstchurchseattle.org/give) donate.

Please leave messages of condolence on Paul Meyer's memorial page found at [wwwhttp://paul-rauch-meyer.forevermissed](http://paul-rauch-meyer.forevermissed)



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Serving this day

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Altar Flowers provided by Elaine LaTouelle

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