

His master said to him, "Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master."

— *Matthew 25:23* —

FUNERAL EUCHARIST FOR PASTOR ROY PAUL WASHILL BORN JUNE 2, 1946

Baptized and Chrismated June 21, 1946 Ordained June 24, 1978 Died December 9, 2021

GATHERING - "The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God."

PRELUDE – Choral Improvisation on *Victimae paschali laudes*

Charles Tournemire (1870-1939)

"Christians, to the paschal victim offer your thankful praises! A Lamb the sheep redeeming: Christ, who only is sinless, reconciling sinners to the Father. Death and life have contended in that combat stupendous; the Prince of life, who died, reigned immortal...My Lord, my hope, is arisen; to Galilee he goes before you." LBW 137

Choral varié and variation on Veni Creator, op. 4

Maurice Duruflé (1902-1986)

"Come, Holy Ghost, our souls inspire, and lighten with celestial fire; Thou the amounting Spirt art, Who dost thy sev'n fold gifts impart. Praise to thine eternal merit, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen." LBW 472

Meditation from *Thaïs*Jules Massenet

(1842-1912)

Transcribed by M. P. Marsick

Allegro - Adagio from Organ Concerto in A Minor, BWV 593 after Vivaldi

Johann Sebastian Bach

(1686-1750)

Concerto in D Minor for two violins, BWV 1043 Vivace and Largo, ma non tanto

Johann Sebastian Bach Edited by Ivan Galamian

Please stand as you are able.

RESURRECTION PROCLAMATION – First Corinthians 15:1-4

P Now I would remind you, brothers and sisters, of the good news that I proclaimed to you, which you in turn received, in which also you stand, ² through which also you are being saved, if you hold firmly onto the message that I proclaimed to you—unless you have come to believe in vain. ³ For I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, ⁴ and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures;



BLESSING AND PRAYER

P Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the source of all mercy and the God of all consolation. He 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.

C Amen.

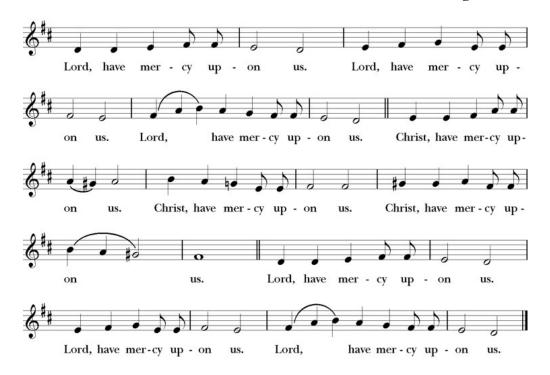
PROCESSIONAL HYMN ELW 757

ALL MY HOPE ON GOD IS FOUNDED

- All my hope on God is founded who will all my trust renew, who through change and chance will guide me, only good and only true.
 God unknown, God alone, call my heart to be thine own.
- Mortal pride and earthly glory, sword and crown betray our trust; what with care and toil we fashion, tow'r and temple, fall to dust.
 But thy pow'r, hour by hour, is my temple and my tow'r.
- Great thy goodness, e'er enduring; deep thy wisdom, passing thought; splendor, light, and life attend thee, beauty springing out of naught.

 Evermore from thy store newborn worlds rise and adore.
- 4 Still from earth to God eternal sacrifice of praise be done, high above all praises praising for the gift of God's own Son. Christ doth call one and all: ye who follow shall not fall.

Text: Joachim Neander, 1650-1680; para. Robert Bridges, 1844-1930, alt.



SALUTATION AND PRAYER

- P Sisters and brothers in Christ, beloved children of God: grace, mercy, and peace be with you all.
- **And also with you.**
- **P** Let us pray.
- P Almighty God, those who die in the Lord live with you in joy and blessedness. We give you thanks for the grace you have showered upon your servants who have finished their course in faith and now rest from their labors. We especially give thanks for our brother in Christ, Roy, your faithful servant and beloved child. May we, with all who have died in the true faith, have fulfillment and joy in your eternal and everlasting glory; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.
- Amen.

WORD - "God speaks to us in Scripture reading, preaching and song."

The congregation is seated.

FIRST LESSON: Isaiah 25:6-9

⁶ On this mountain the LORD of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-matured wines, of rich food filled with marrow, of well-matured wines strained clear.

⁷ And he will destroy on this mountain the shroud that is cast over all peoples, the sheet that is spread over all nations;

⁸ he will swallow up death for ever.

Then the Lord GoD will wipe away the tears from all faces, and the disgrace of his people he will take away from all the earth, for the LORD has spoken.

⁹ It will be said on that day,

Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him, so that he might save us.

This is the LORD for whom we have waited;

let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.

L The Word of the Lord.

G Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 32 (Sung in alternation with the cantor.)

¹Happy are they whose transgressions | are forgiven,

and whose sin is put away!

²Happy are they to whom the LORD im- putes no guilt,

and in whose spirit there is no guile!

³While I held my tongue, my bones with- ered away,

because of my groaning | all day long.

⁴For your hand was heavy upon me | day and night;

my moisture was dried up as in the heat of summer.

⁵Then I acknowledged my sin to you, and did not con- ceal my guilt.

I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD." Then you forgave me the guilt of my sin.

⁶Therefore all the faithful will make their prayers to you in ¹ time of trouble;

when the great waters overflow, they shall not reach them.

⁷You are my hiding-place; you preserve me from trouble;

you surround me with shouts of deliverance.

8"I will instruct you and teach you in the way that you should go;

I will guide you with my eye.

⁹Do not be like horse or mule, which have no understanding;

who must be fitted with bit and bridle, or else they will not stay near you."

¹⁰Great are the tribulations | of the wicked;

but mercy embraces those who trust in the LORD.

¹¹Be glad, you righteous, and rejoice in the LORD;

shout for joy, all who are true of heart.

SECOND LESSON: Revelation 7:9-17

⁹After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. ¹⁰They cried out in a loud voice, saying,

'Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!'

¹¹And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshipped God, ¹²singing,

'Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom

and thanksgiving and honour

and power and might

be to our God for ever and ever! Amen.'

¹³Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, 'Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?' ¹⁴I said to him, 'Sir, you are the one that knows.' Then he said to me, 'These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

¹⁵ For this reason they are before the throne of God,

and worship him day and night within his temple,

and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them.

¹⁶ They will hunger no more, and thirst no more;

the sun will not strike them,

nor any scorching heat;

¹⁷ for the Lamb at the centre of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.'

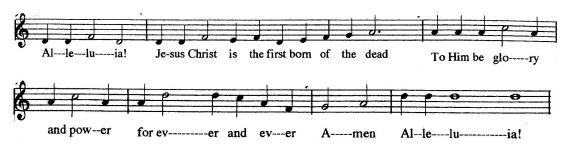
L The Word of the Lord.

☑ Thanks be to God.

Please stand as you are able.

GOSPEL VERSE

Pastor Roy P. Washill



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



GOSPEL: John 14:1-7

¹'Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. ²In my Father's house there are many dwelling-places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go and prepare a place for you? ^{* 3}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. ⁴And you know the way to the place where I am going. ⁵Thomas said, 'Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?' ⁶Jesus said, 'I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. ⁷If you know me, you will know my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him.'

P The Gospel of the Lord



The congregation is seated.

SERMON Pastor Brenda Martin

Please remain seated.

HYMN OF THE DAY LBW 325

Lord, Thee I Love with All My Heart



- 1 Lord, thee I love with all my heart; I pray thee, ne'er from me de-part;
- 2 Yea, Lord, 'twas thy rich boun-ty gave my bod y, soul, and all I have 3 Lord, let at last thine an-gels come, to A-br'ham's bo som bear me home,



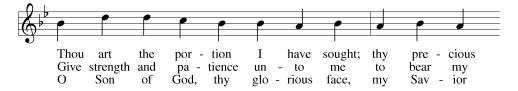
with ten - der mer - cy cheer me. Earth has no plea - sure I would share, in this poor life of la - bor. Lord, grant that I in ev - 'ry that I may die un-fear-ing; and in its nar - row cham-ber



yea, heav'n it - self were void and bare if thou, Lord, wert not near me. may glo - ri - fy thy lav - ish grace and serve and help my neigh-bor. my bod - y safe in peace-ful sleep un - til thy re - ap - pear - ing.



And should my heart for sor-row break, my trust in thee can noth-ing shake. no false doc-trine me be-guile, let Sa - tan not my soul de - file. And then from death a - wak-en me, that these mine eyes with joy may see,







Lord, my God and Lord, in death thy com - fort still af - ford. tend, my prayer at - tend, and I will praise thee with - out end!

Text: Martin Schalling, 1532-1608; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1829-1878, alt. Music: HERZLICH LIEB, B. Schmid, Orgeltabulatur-Buch, 1577



APOSTLES' CREED

- A With the whole church, let us confess our faith.
- **G** I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit

and born of the virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate,

was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended into hell.*

On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven,

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again 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

THE PRAYERS

A Let us pray.

Almighty God, you have knit your chosen people into the body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. We pray you will give your whole Church in heaven and on earth your light and your peace. Lord, in you we hope,

G hear our prayer.

A Grant that all who have been baptized into Christ's death and resurrection may rise into newness of life, and that through the grave and gate of death, we may pass with him into our joyful resurrection. Lord, in you we hope,

© hear our prayer.

A Grant us, who walk by faith, your presence and purpose. In the midst of great loss and sadness, we are grateful for Roy's life, and the many ways he cared for others through his faithful ministry as pastor. Roy's has fought the good fight. He has finished the race, and he has kept the faith. Lord, in you we hope,

• hear our prayer.

A Grant your faithful people forgiveness, mercy, grace and peace. We give thanks for the eternal hope of the resurrection and for those who support Roy's family today through their loving presence. Through our worship and fellowship, we receive a foretaste of the feast to come. Lord, in you we hope,

G hear our prayer.

A Give courage and faith for all today who are saddened by Roy's death. We especially pray for his loving family, his wife Lois, his daughter, Kate, and his grandson, Jeffrey. We pray that you give them strength to meet the days ahead through the blessing of hope, and the joyful expectation of eternal life with Roy Lord, in you we hope,

© hear our prayer.

A Help us, we pray, in the midst of things we cannot understand, to believe and trust in the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, and the resurrection into life everlasting. Lord, in you we hope,

G hear our prayer.

- A Grant us grace now in entrusting Roy into your never-failing love which sustained him throughout his life. Receive him into the arms of your mercy, and remember him through the favor you bear for all your people. Lord, in you we hope,
- **©** hear our prayer.

The intercessions conclude

- A God of all grace, you sent your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, in bringing life and eternal light. We give you thanks because by his death Jesus has crushed the power of death and by his resurrection has opened the reign of heaven for all who believe. Make us certain that because he lives we shall live also, and that neither death nor life, nor things present nor things to come shall 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.

A The peace of the Lord be with you always.

And also with you.

MEAL - "God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ."

SOLO – "The Call"

Ralph Vaughn Williams

John Myers, soloist

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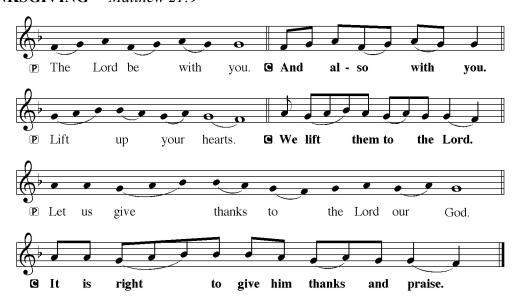
OFFERTORY PRAYER

- **A** Blessed are you,
- O Lord our God, maker of all things.

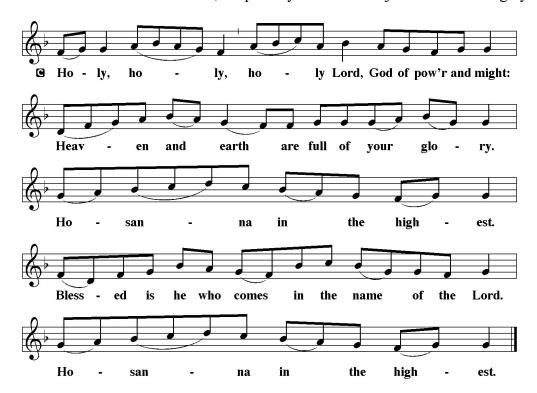
 Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts.

 With them we offer ourselves to your service
 and dedicate our lives to the care and redemption
 of all that you have made,
 for the sake of him who gave himself for us,
 Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING Matthew 21:9



P It is indeed right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to you, O Lord, holy Father, through Christ our Lord; who brought to light the living hope of a blessed resurrection, that, in our grief, we may rejoice in full assurance of our change into the likeness of his glory. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

P You are indeed holy, almighty and merciful God; you are most holy, and great is the majesty of your glory.

You so loved the world that you gave your only Son, that whoever believes in him may not perish but have eternal life.

Having come into the world, he fulfilled for us your holy will and accomplished our salvation.

In the night

in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper,

he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.

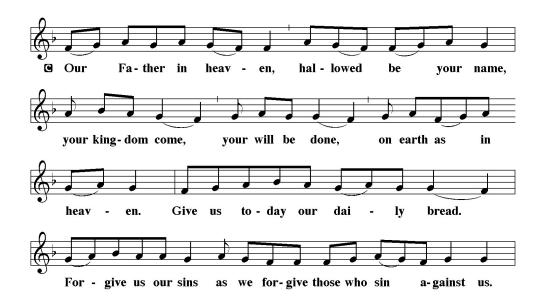
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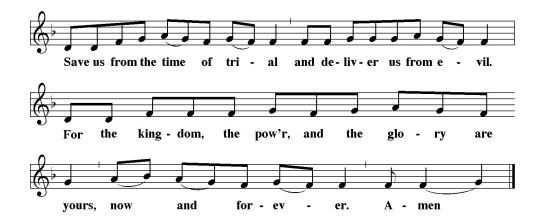
Remembering, therefore,

his salutary command, his life-giving Passion and death, his glorious resurrection and ascension, and his promise to come again, we give thanks to you, Lord God Almighty, not as we ought, but as we are able; and we implore you mercifully to accept our praise and thanksgiving, and, with your Word and Holy Spirit, to bless us, your servants, and these your own gifts of bread and wine; that we and all who share in the body and blood of your Son may be filled with heavenly peace and joy, and, receiving the forgiveness of sin, may be sanctified in soul and body, and have our portion with all your saints.

All honor and glory are yours, O God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, in your holy Church, now and forever.

C Amen.





AGNUS DEI



INVITATION TO COMMUNION

- **P** This is the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world.
- **Q** Lord, I am not worthy that you should come to me, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

The congregation is seated.

Today's service is a celebration of Holy Communion. We believe that Jesus Christ is truly present in the gifts of bread and wine, bringing forgiveness of sins and new life to all who receive this sacrament. All baptized Christians who come at our Lord's invitation are welcome at His table of grace.

Please come forward by the center aisle and maintain appropriate physical distancing.

Take a small empty cup from the trays at the head of the center aisle.

Prefilled cups with white grape juice for those who prefer it

are located in the tray on the stand in front of the baptismal font.

Gluten-free wafers are also on the stand in the dish on top of the tray.

Receive the bread and wine and return to your place by the side aisle.

If you are not going to receive Holy Communion, but would like to receive a blessing, please come forward with your arms crossed over your chest.

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COMMUNION

John 1:29

HYMNS FOR THE DISTRIBUTION

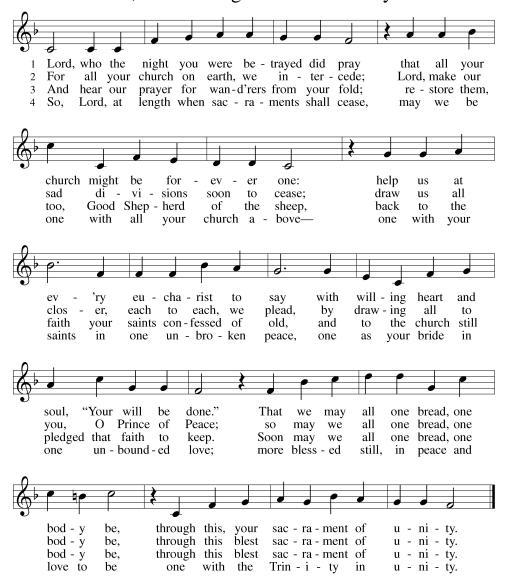
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Text: Thomas Aquinas, 1227–1274; tr. James R. Woodford, 1820–1885 Music: ADORO TE DEVOTE, mode V; *Processionale*, Paris, 1697

Lord, Who the Night You Were Betrayed



Text: William H. Turton, 1856–1938, alt. Music: SONG 1, Orlando Gibbons, 1583–1625

Please stand as you are able.

BLESSING

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

C Amen.



POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

- Almighty God, we thank you that in your great love you have given us a foretaste of your heavenly banquet. Grant that this Sacrament may be to us a comfort in affliction and a pledge of our inheritance in that kingdom where there is no death, neither sorrow nor crying, but the fullness of joy with all your saints; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.
- C Amen.

NUNC DIMITTIS



COMMENDATION

- P Into your hands, O merciful Savior, we now commend your faithful servant and beloved child, Pastor Roy P. Washill. Acknowledge, we humbly beseech you, a sheep of your own fold, a lamb of your own flock, a sinner of your own redeeming. You have received him into the arms of your mercy, into the blessed rest of everlasting peace, and into the glorious company of the saints in light. May the Lord bless him and keep him. The Lord make his face to shine on him and be gracious to him. The Lord look upon him with favor and give him + peace.
- C Amen.

SENDING - "God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world."

LBW 229

ELW 504

- P Let us go forth in peace.
- **©** In the name of Christ. Amen.

ANTHEM - "Into Paradise May Angels Lead You"



"If you but trust in God to guide you and place your confidence in him, you'll find him always there beside you...Sing, pray, and keep his ways unswerving, offer your service faithfully, and trust his word; though undeserving, you'll find his promise true to be. God never will forsake in need the soul that trusts in him indeed." LBW 453

Allegro from Concerto in D Minor, BWV 1043

Johann Sebastian Bach

— SERVING TODAY —

Bishop Michael L. Lozano, NWPA Synod ELCA

PRESIDING MINISTER – Rev. Jake Jacobson

PREACHING – Rev. Brenda Martin

ACOLYTES – Christian, Kelsey, and Brennan Jeffrey

ASSISTING MINISTER – Mr. Stan Rose

LECTORS – The Very Rev. Dr. John P. Downey

(Retired Dean, The Episcopal Cathedral of St. Paul)

The Very Rev. Melinda Hall

(Dean, The Episcopal Cathedral of St. Paul)

COMMUNION ASSISTANTS – Jan MacInnes, Lois Smith

THURIFER – Jason Burgert

CANTOR – John Myers

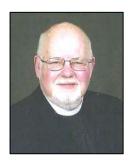
VIOLINISTS – Jonathan Moser, Mary Moser

ORGANIST – Dr. Christine Clewell

PALL BEARERS
Cpt. Mark Collins, Jr.
The Rev. Jay C. Mitchell

Immediately after the funeral service you are invited to stay for a luncheon and a time of friendship in our fellowship hall

OBITUARY OF REV. ROY P. WASHILL



June 2, 1946 – December 9, 2021

Roy P. Washill, age 75, of Erie, passed away on Thursday, December 9, 2021 at Brevillier Village.

He was born in Braddock, PA on June 2, 1946, a son of the late Cyril M. and Eveline Pouder Washill.

Roy graduated from Punxsutawney Area Senior High School. He went on to attend and graduate from Duquesne University earning a B.MUS in Music and from Lutheran School of Theology in Chicago, IL earning a Master's of Divinity.

He officiated at Zion's Lutheran Church in Erie, PA from 1978 to 1998, Zion Lutheran Church in Indiana, PA as the Senior Pastor from 1998 to 2008 and St. John's Lutheran Church in Erie as the interim Pastor from 2008 to 2015.

He was an elementary music teacher in the Pittsburgh Catholic Diocese and worked part-time playing the French horn in the Pittsburgh Symphony Orchestra. He was a church musician and among his many talents played the organ and was a choir master at the Lutheran Churches and Synod. He sat on boards and committees of numerous community and church organizations as well.

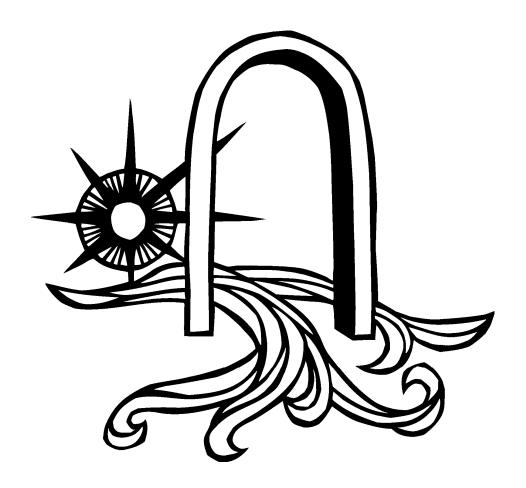
He is survived by his wife, Lois J. Getman Washill; a daughter, Catherine J. Washill-Logan and her fiancé Dennis W. Martin II; a grandson, Jeffrey A. Logan; and a sister-in-law, Patricia "Max" Mitchell, all of Erie, Pa. and numerous cousins.

Friends may call at Luther Memorial Church Parlor, 225 West 10th Street, Monday, December 13, 2021 from 3 p.m. until time of Closing Prayers at 7:30 p.m. conducted by the Very Rev. Melinda Hall, Dean of St. Paul's Episcopal Cathedral. The funeral service will be held at Luther Memorial Church Tuesday, December 14, 2021 at 1 p.m. The Rev. Michael Lozano, Bishop of Northwestern PA Synod, ELCA, The Rev. Brenda Martin, and the Rev. Harold Jacobson will co-officiate. All clergy are invited to Vest for the service, color will be white. CDC Guidelines will be followed and masks are required.

Inurnment will take place in Luther Memorial's Columbarium at a future date.

Arrangements have been entrusted to the Burton Quinn Scott Cremation and Funeral Services, Inc., Wintergreen, 2532 Norcross Road, Erie.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorials be made to Bethany Outreach, 254 E 10th St, Erie, PA 16503.



As the Church conducts the new Christian into its fellowship through Holy Baptism and sustains faith through preaching and the sacrament of the Altar, so at death the voice of the Church is again heard. In the Order for the Burial of the Dead, the Church proclaims its glorious hope in the resurrection of the dead through our Lord Jesus Christ.