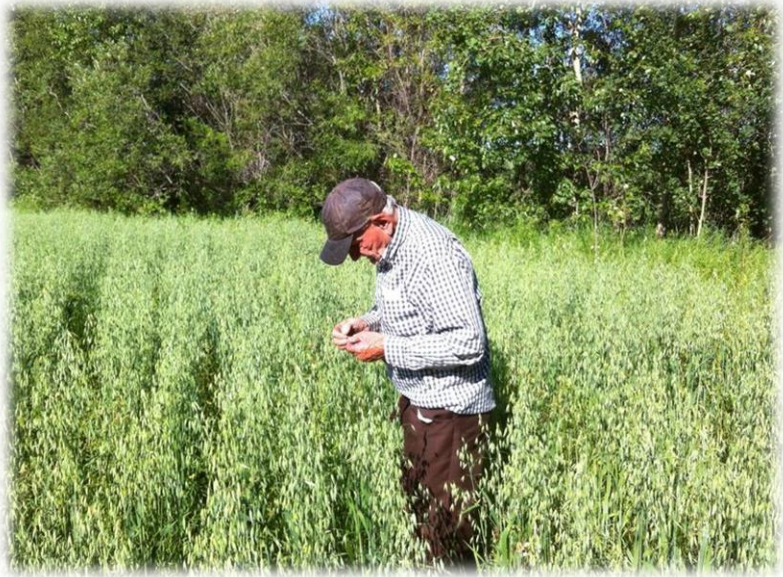


Funeral Service

Remembering God's Promises to

Richard Propp



“Let not your hearts be troubled”

John 14:1

Zion Lutheran Church

Nipawin Sk.

March 7th 2024

Hymn #722 –Lord, Take My Hand and Lead Me (*Please Stand*)

1. Lord, take my hand and lead me Upon life's way;
Direct, protect, and feed me From day to day.
Without your grace and favor I go astray:
So take my hand, O Savior, And lead the way.

2. Lord, when the tempest rages, I need not fear;
For you, the Rock of Ages, Are always near.
Close by your side abiding, I fear no foe,
For when your hand is guiding, In peace I go.

3. Lord, when the shadows lengthen And night has come,
I know that you will strengthen My steps toward home,
And nothing can impede me, O Blessed Friend!
So, take my hand and lead me Unto the end.

Remembering Richard - Words of Remembrance

Read by Angela Propp Schmitt

Invocation and Remembrance of Baptism

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

C. **Amen.**

P. In Holy Baptism Richard 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?"

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.

Salutation and Prayer

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 Richard. We have peace knowing that all your servants who, having finished their course in faith, now rest from their labors. Grant that we 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

Hymn – Precious Lord, Take My Hand

Soloist Heather Daoust / Pianist Angela Propp Schmitt

Psalm 143:5-12

(The Scripture is read)

L. This is the Word of the Lord.

C. Thanks be to God

Lenten Verse

P. If we have died with Christ;
We shall live with Him

**C. if we are faithful to the end,
We shall reign with Him.**

2 Timothy 2:11b-12a

Holy Gospel John 14:1-6

(Please Stand as you are able)

P. The Holy Gospel according to **St. John**, the **14th** chapter.
C. Glory to You, O Lord.

(The Gospel is read)

P. This is the Gospel of the Lord
C. Praise to You O Christ

Sermon

Hymn - If Thou But Trust in God to Guide Thee

1. If thou but trust in God to guide thee
And hope in Him through all thy ways,
He'll give thee strength, whate'er betide thee,
And bear thee through the evil days.
Who trusts in God's unchanging love
Builds on the rock that naught can move.

2. What can these anxious cares avail thee,
These never-ceasing moans and sighs?
What can it help if thou bewail thee
O'er each dark moment as it flies?
Our cross and trials do but press
The heavier for our bitterness.

7. Sing, pray, and keep His ways unswerving,
Perform thy duties faithfully,
And trust His Word; though undeserving,
Thou yet shalt find it true for thee.
God never yet forsook in need
The soul that trusted Him indeed.

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.**

Prayers of the Church

Each petition ends with...

P Lord in Your mercy,
C hear our prayer.

Lord's Prayer

P Taught by our Lord and trusting in His promises, we are
bold to pray:

**C 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
forever and ever. Amen.**

Song of Simeon

**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 Prayer

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.

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 look upon you with favor and **T** give you peace.

C Amen.

Closing Announcements

Lunch reception will be served downstairs immediately after the service.

All are welcome to attend the interment service, which will take place at the Ratner Cemetery following lunch.

Thank you to:

Judy (Propp) Hertlein as our organist.

Our Pallbearers.

Coventry Funeral Home for all their kind and caring service.

Our Lutheran Ladies for serving the reception.

P Let us go forth in peace,
C **in the name of the Lord. Amen.**

Hymn – Abide With Me

(Procession of the casket and family after the 1st verse of our hymn)

1. Abide with me: fast falls the eventide;
the darkness deepens; Lord, with me abide.
When other helpers fail and comforts flee,
Help of the helpless, O abide with me.

2. I need thy presence every passing hour.
What but thy grace can foil the tempter's power?
Who like thyself my guide and strength can be?
Through cloud and sunshine, O abide with me.

4. Swift to its close ebbs out life's little day;
earth's joys grow dim, its glories pass away.
Change and decay in all around I see.
O thou who changest not, abide with me.

5. I fear no foe with thee at hand to bless,
ills have no weight, and tears no bitterness.
Where is death's sting? Where, grave, thy victory?
I triumph still, if thou abide with me.

6. Hold thou thy cross before my closing eyes.
Shine through the gloom and point me to the skies.
Heaven's morning breaks and earth's vain shadows flee;
in life, in death, O Lord, abide with me.

Service Led by:

Pastor – Christopher McLean