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THE BURIAL OF THE DEAD

Opening Song

The Strife Is O'er

(chorus)

Alleluia alleluia alleluia

(Verse 1)

The strife is o'er the battle done

The victory of life is won

The song of triumph has begun

Alleluia

(Verse 2)

The powers of death have done their worst

But Christ their legions hath dispersed

Let shouts of holy joy outburst

Alleluia

(Verse 4)

He closed the yawning gates of hell

The bars from heaven's high portals fell

Let hymns of praise His triumphs tell

Alleluia

(Verse 5)

Lord by the stripes that wounded Thee

From death's dark sting Thy servants free

That we may live and sing to Thee

(repeat chorus)

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Procession

All stand while following anthems are said

I am Resurrection and I am Life, says the Lord. Whoever has faith in me shall have life, even though he die. And everyone who has life, and has committed himself to me in faith, shall not die for ever. *John 11:25,26*

As for me, I know that my Redeemer lives and that at the last he will stand upon the earth. After my awaking, he will raise me up; and in my body I shall see God. I myself shall see, and my eyes behold him who is my friend and not a stranger. *Job 19:25-27*

For none of us has life in himself, and none becomes his own master when he dies. For if we have life, we are alive in the Lord, and if we die, we die in the Lord. So, then, whether we live or die, we are the Lord's possession. *Romans 14:7-9*

For we brought nothing into the world, and we cannot take anything out of the world. And he said, "Naked I came from my mother's womb, and naked shall I return. The Lord gave, and the Lord has taken away; blessed be the name of the Lord." *1 Timothy 6:7; Job 1:21*

Happy from now on are those who die in the Lord! So it is, says the Spirit, for they rest from their labors. *Revelation 14:13*

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And with your spirit.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

O God, who by the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ destroyed death and brought life and immortality to light: Grant that your servant Bill, being raised with Christ, may know the strength of his presence and rejoice in his eternal glory; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Most merciful God, whose wisdom is beyond our understanding: Deal graciously with Bill's family and friends in their grief. Surround them with your love, that they may not be overwhelmed by their loss, but have confidence in your goodness, and strength to meet the days to come; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Please be seated

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Old Testament

Isaiah 61:1-3 *read by Terri Knapp Crumb*

¹The Spirit of the Lord God is upon me, because the Lord has anointed me to bring good news to the poor; he has sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and the opening of the prison to those who are bound; ²to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor, and the day of vengeance of our God; to comfort all who mourn; ³to grant to those who mourn in Zion—to give them a beautiful headdress instead of ashes, the oil of gladness instead of mourning, the garment of praise instead of a faint spirit; that they may be called oaks of righteousness, the planting of the Lord, that he may be glorified.

Psalms

Psalm 84 *(read in unison) led by Terri Knapp Crumb*

- 1 How lovely are your dwellings, O LORD God of hosts!
- 2 My soul has a desire and longing to enter into the courts of the LORD;
my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God.
- 3 Indeed, the sparrow has found her a house, and the swallow a nest where she may lay her young,
even your altars, O LORD of hosts, my King and my God.
- 4 Blessed are they who dwell in your house; they will be always praising you.
- 5 Blessed is the one whose strength is in you, in whose heart are your ways,
- 6 Who going through the valley of misery uses it for a well;
indeed, the early rains fill the pools with water.
- 7 They will go from strength to strength, and the God of gods shall be seen by them in Zion.
- 8 O LORD God of hosts, hear my prayer; hearken, O God of Jacob.
- 9 Behold, O God, our defender, and look upon the face of your Anointed.
- 10 For one day in your courts is better than a thousand;
- 11 I would rather be a door-keeper in the house of my God than dwell in the tents of ungodliness.
- 12 For the LORD God is a light and defense; the LORD will give grace and honor,
and no good thing shall he withhold from those who live a godly life.
- 13 O LORD God of hosts, blessed is the one who puts his trust in you.

New Testament

2 Corinthians 4:16- 5:9 *read by John P. Holloway*

¹⁶So we do not lose heart. Though our outer self is wasting away, our inner self is being renewed day by day. ¹⁷For this light momentary affliction is preparing for us an eternal weight of glory beyond all comparison, ¹⁸as we look not to the things that are seen but to the things that are unseen. For the things that are seen are transient, but the things that are unseen are eternal. ^{5:1}For we know that if the tent that is our earthly home is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens. ²For in this tent we groan, longing to put on our heavenly dwelling, ³if indeed by putting it on we may not be found naked. ⁴For while we are still in this tent, we groan, being burdened—not that we would be unclothed, but that we would be further clothed, so that what is mortal may be swallowed up by life. ⁵He who has prepared us for this very thing is God, who has given us the Spirit as a guarantee. ⁶So we are always of good courage. We know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord, ⁷for we walk by faith, not by sight. ⁸Yes, we are of good courage, and we would rather be away from the body and at home with the Lord. ⁹So whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to please him.

All stand while the Gospel is read:

The Gospel John 6:37-40

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

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

³⁷ All that the Father gives me will come to me, and whoever comes to me I will never cast out.

³⁸ For I have come down from heaven, not to do my own will but the will of him who sent me.

³⁹ And this is the will of him who sent me, that I should lose nothing of all that he has given me, but raise it up on the last day. ⁴⁰ For this is the will of my Father, that everyone who looks on the Son and believes in him should have eternal life, and I will raise him up on the last day.”

Minister: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The people sit.

Homily The Rev. Michael J. Bridge

The Apostle's Creed *All stand:*

Celebrant: Let us confess the Faith in the words of the Apostles' Creed:

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 Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He 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, 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.

Prayers of the People.

Reader: Let us pray, saying, “Hear our prayer.” Almighty God, you knit together your elect in one communion and fellowship, in the mystical body of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord: Grant, we pray, to your whole Church in heaven and on earth, your light and peace. Lord, in your mercy:

People: Hear our prayer.

Reader: Grant that all who have been baptized into Christ's death and resurrection may die to sin and rise to newness of life, that through the grave and gate of death we may pass with him to our joyful resurrection. Lord, in your mercy:

People: Hear our prayer.

Reader: Grant to us who are still in our pilgrimage, and who walk as yet by faith, that your Holy Spirit may lead us in holiness and righteousness all our days. Lord, in your mercy:

People: Hear our prayer.

Reader: Grant to your faithful people pardon and peace, that we may be cleansed from all our sins, and serve you in faithful obedience. Lord, in your mercy:

People: Hear our prayer.

Reader: Grant to all who mourn a sure confidence in your fatherly care, that, casting their grief on you, they may know the consolation of your love. Lord, in your mercy:

People: Hear our prayer.

Reader: 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 to life everlasting. Lord, in your mercy:

People: Hear our prayer.

Reader: Grant us grace to entrust Bill to your never-failing love; receive him into the arms of your mercy, and remember him according to the favor which you show to all your people. Lord, in your mercy:

People: Hear our prayer.

Reader: Grant that, increasing in knowledge and love of you, he may go from strength to strength in the life of perfect service in your heavenly kingdom. Lord, in your mercy:

People: Hear our prayer.

Silence may be kept.

Celebrant: Almighty God, grant us, with all who have died in the hope of the resurrection, the fullness of life in your eternal and everlasting glory, and, with all your saints, to receive the crown of life promised to all who share 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.**

Peace *Please stand*

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: **And with your spirit.** *Please greet one another*

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Offertory Hymn **On Eagle's Wings**

(Verse 1)

You who dwell in the shelter of the Lord

Who abide in His shadow for life

Say to the Lord, "My refuge, my rock in whom I trust!"

(chorus)

And He will raise you up on eagles' wings

Bear you on the breath of dawn

Make you to shine like the sun

And hold you in the palm of His hand

(Verse 2)

The snare of the fowler will never capture you

And famine will bring you no fear

Under His wings your refuge, His faithfulness your shield

(repeat chorus)

(Verse 3)

You need not fear the terror of the night

Nor the arrow that flies by day

Though thousands fall about you,

near you it shall not come

(repeat chorus)

(Verse 4)

For to His angels He's given a command

To guard you in all of your ways

Upon their hands they will bear you up

Lest you dash your foot against a stone

(repeat chorus)

(ending)

And hold you, hold you in the palm of His hand

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

Please remain standing, if you are able to do so.

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And with your spirit.**

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: **It is just and right so to do.**

Celebrant: It is right, our duty and our joy, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord; who rose victorious from the dead and comforts us with the blessed hope of everlasting life. For to your faithful people, O Lord, life is changed, not ended; and when our mortal body lies in death, there is prepared for us a dwelling place eternal in the heavens Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

All say: **Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

Prayer of Consecration

Celebrant: Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and when we had sinned against you and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent your only Son into the world for our salvation. By the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary he became flesh and dwelt among us. In obedience to your will, he stretched out his arms upon the cross and offered himself once for all, that by his suffering and death we might be saved. By his resurrection he broke the bonds of death, trampling Hell and Satan under his feet. As our great high priest, he ascended to your right hand in glory, that we might come with confidence before the throne of grace.

On the night that he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat; this is my Body which is given for you: Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, Jesus took the cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for this is my Blood of the New Covenant, which is shed for you, and for many, for the forgiveness of sins: Whenever you drink it, do this in remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

All: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, and we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Word and Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Sanctify us also, that we may worthily receive this holy sacrament, and be made one body with him, so that he may dwell in us and we in him. And bring us with all your saints into the fullness of your heavenly kingdom, where we shall see our Lord face to face.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and forever. **Amen.**

Lord's Prayer *Prayed together*

Celebrant: And now as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray:

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.

Minister: Christ our Passover Lamb has been sacrificed, once for all upon the cross.

People: Therefore let us keep the feast.

Holy Communion

Celebrant: Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those who are invited to the marriage supper of the Lamb. *John 1:29, Revelation 19:9*

We invite all baptized Christians to join in Holy Communion. The ushers will guide you forward where you may receive Communion. The celebrant will offer you bread then a chalice bearer will offer you wine. Should you prefer not to drink from the cup, you may dip the bread into the chalice. If there is a reason you do not want to take bread or wine, you may remain seated.

Communion Amazing Grace

(Verse 1)
Amazing grace how sweet the sound
That saved a wretch like me
I once was lost but now am found
Was blind but now I see

(Verse 4)
Through many dangers toils and snares
I have already come
'Tis grace hath brought me safe thus far
And grace will lead me home

(Verse 5)
Yea when this flesh and heart shall fail
And mortal life shall cease
I shall possess within the veil
A life of joy and peace

(Verse 6)
When we've been there ten thousand years
Bright shining as the sun
We've no less days to sing God's praise
Than when we first begun

Post-Communion Prayer *Prayed together*

Celebrant: Let us pray. **Almighty God, we thank you that in your great love you have fed us with the spiritual food and drink of the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ, and 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 Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.**

The Commendation

Celebrant: Give rest, O Christ, to your servant with your saints,

All: Where sorrow and pain are no more, neither sighing, but life everlasting.

Celebrant: You only are immortal, the creator and maker of mankind; and we are mortal, formed of the earth, and to earth shall we return. For so did you ordain when you created me, 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.

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

Celebrant: Into your hands, O merciful Savior, we commend your servant Bill. 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.**

Recessional Hymn Because He Lives

(Verse 1)
God sent His Son they called Him Jesus
He came to love heal and forgive
He bled and died to buy my pardon
An empty grave is there to prove My Savior lives

(Chorus)
*Because He lives I can face tomorrow
Because He lives all fear is gone
Because I know He holds the future
And life is worth the living just because He lives*

(Verse 2)
How sweet to hold our newborn baby
And feel the pride and joy he gives
But greater still the calm assurance
This child can face uncertain days Because Christ lives

(Verse 3)
And then one day I'll cross that river
I'll fight life's final war with pain
And then as death gives way to vict'ry
I'll see the lights of glory And I'll know He reigns

The Dismissal

Celebrant: Let us go forth in the Name of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

William "Bill" Chadwick Knapp

May 30, 1935 ~ March 7, 2023

Service

Sunday, March 26, 2023
12:30 p.m.

Officiating

The Rev. Michael J. Bridge

Obituary

William Chadwick Knapp, 87, Born May 30, 1935 in Mt. Pleasant, Michigan. He left us to be with our Lord on March 7, 2023, in Petoskey, Michigan. He is survived by his beloved wife, Linda (Holland) Knapp after 57 loving years of marriage.

Bill was the oldest son of Thomas Stevens Knapp and Zela Leonore Knapp. He is also predeceased by his brother and sister, Donnie Knapp and Judy Knapp, and his granddaughters, Samantha Marie Knapp & BretRaya Knapp.

He is survived by 4 siblings, Peter Thomas Knapp (the late Diane Knapp), Mary Caro Knapp, Martha Leslie Knapp Cook (Robert), Leonard Frederick Knapp (Sandy). Bill is the father of 6 children, Theresa Angelica (Knapp) (Robert)Crumb, William Michael (the late Jeannette Proctor) Knapp, Dianna Lynn (Knapp)(Sheldon) Robinson, Mark David Knapp (Anne Pardee). Michael Jeffrey Knapp (Eleanor Walsh), Julie Marie Knapp (Timothy O'Connor). Bill is also survived by 20 grandchildren, 52 great grandchildren and 10 great-great grandchildren, along with many nieces, nephews, and cousins. Bill also enjoyed countless deep, meaningful and long lasting friendships with people throughout his life.

Bill's love of music began by joining the St. John's Boys Choir in Mt. Pleasant at age 7. He directed the prestigious choir for 2 years after high school while he attended Central Michigan University. An audition took Bill to Detroit where he joined the Make Way for Youth Choir. A singing group, the Tempos, brought him to Pittsburgh. Bill went to work in the purchasing dept of a subsidiary of Westinghouse Electric. He began his work as a pianist/organist and choir director for nearly 60 years! Bill found great joy in teaching and conducting choral singing for worship in 6 Episcopal/ Anglican churches, as well as Mulberry Presbyterian Church in Wilkinsburg, Pennsylvania where he did Christian mission and community work. He retired from Bartlett Products where he was a purchasing agent for 22 years. He volunteered at the mission for seniors and music was a large part of that! His special encouragement was "to make a joyful noise unto the Lord!" . He and his wife, Linda formed a trio/quartet called the Sounds of Joy. They shared their love of the Lord by giving concerts in churches, nursing facilities, senior residences and civic groups. He loved to ask the audience to sing along. He was a terrible (while much loved) punster and left a lot of laughing groans behind.

Bill and Linda returned to Michigan in 2015. They also joined the New Life Anglican Church family. Bill has been bravely battling Parkinson's disease. He inspired us with his courage and patience, as he struggled to stay on his feet and walk. He was our HERO and it was a gift to care for him on this difficult journey. Bill is with the Lord and all the loved ones that preceded him. He can speak and sing, walk and rejoice, knowing we will be together again.

There will be a memorial celebration on Sunday, March 26, 2023 at 12:30 PM at New Life Anglican Church in Petoskey, MI.

Our regular Sunday AM service is at 10. That will be followed by a brunch from 11:15 to 12:15 in our fellowship hall, for our welcome guests to join us. We welcome you to celebrate Bill's extraordinary life of giving and sharing the music of love with others.

Stone Funeral home handled all arrangements. Anyone wishing to donate in his memory may do so at the Parkinson's foundation for research.