



St. Timothy's Episcopal Church
Lake Jackson, Texas

A Celebration
in
Thanksgiving for the Life
of



Charles Alan Hammond
August 22, 1954 – February 15, 2025

February 20, 2025
10:30 a.m.

This service today is an Easter liturgy. This rite finds all its 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 any thing in all creation will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.”

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. The living need our support and consolation. The whole congregation has an important part in giving this help and can do so by participating fully in the service, joining in those parts which are marked for the “People.”

You will find the entire service printed in this bulletin, except for the hymns, which may be found in the blue hymnal in the pew rack in front of you. Your part is in bold print.

Prelude

Bonnie McDaniel, Organist

Welcome

The Reverend Robin Reeves-Kautz

Prelude

Amazing Grace

Jon Cox, Bagpipes

The Service Begins (*all stand*)

The Burial of the Dead: Rite Two

All stand while one or more of the following anthems are sung or 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.

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.

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.

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

The Celebrant may address the congregation, acknowledging briefly the purpose of their gathering, and bidding their prayers for the deceased and the bereaved.

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Silence may be kept; after which the Celebrant says the following Collects.

Celebrant: O God, whose mercies cannot be numbered: Accept our prayers on behalf of your servant Alan, and grant him an entrance into the land of light and joy, in the fellowship of your saints; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen.

Celebrant: Most merciful God, whose wisdom is beyond our understanding, deal graciously with Alan's family 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.***

Eulogy

Cason Hammond and Dr. Tom Millard

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

The Lesson: Proverbs 3:3-8

Marianne Essington

- ³ Let love and faithfulness never leave you;
bind them around your neck,
write them on the tablet of your heart.
- ⁴ Then you will win favor and a good name
in the sight of God and man.
- ⁵ Trust in the Lord with all your heart
and lean not on your own understanding;
- ⁶ in all your ways submit to him,
and he will make your paths straight.
- ⁷ Do not be wise in your own eyes;
fear the Lord and shun evil.
- ⁸ This will bring health to your body
and nourishment to your bones.

After the reading

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 46 (*read responsively by whole verse*)

Kim Lehnhoff

- ¹ God is our refuge and strength,
an ever-present help in trouble.
- ² **Therefore we will not fear, though the earth give way
and the mountains fall into the heart of the sea,**
- ³ though its waters roar and foam
and the mountains quake with their surging.
- ⁴ **There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God,
the holy place where the Most High dwells.**
- ⁵ God is within her, she will not fall;
God will help her at break of day.

**⁶Nations are in uproar, kingdoms fall;
he lifts his voice, the earth melts.**

⁷The Lord Almighty is with us;
the God of Jacob is our fortress.

**⁸Come and see what the Lord has done,
the desolations he has brought on the earth.**

⁹He makes wars cease
to the ends of the earth.

He breaks the bow and shatters the spear;
he burns the shields with fire.

**¹⁰He says, “Be still, and know that I am God;
I will be exalted among the nations,
I will be exalted in the earth.”**

¹¹The Lord Almighty is with us;
the God of Jacob is our fortress.

**Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. *Amen.***

The Epistle: 2 Corinthians 4:16-18

Dave Mayberry

¹⁶Therefore we do not lose heart. Though outwardly we are wasting away, yet inwardly we are being renewed day by day. ¹⁷For our light and momentary troubles are achieving for us an eternal glory that far outweighs them all. ¹⁸So we fix our eyes not on what is seen, but on what is unseen, since what is seen is temporary, but what is unseen is eternal.

After the reading

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Sequence Hymn (*all sing*)

How Great Thou Art

1. O Lord my God
When I in awesome wonder
Consider all the worlds

Thy hands have made I see the stars
I hear the rolling thunder
Thy pow'r thro'out
The universe displayed

Refrain:

Then sings my soul
My Savior God to Thee
How great Thou art
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2. When through the woods
And forest glades
I wander
And hear the birds
Sing sweetly in the trees
When I look down
From lofty mountain grandeur
And hear the brook
And feel the gentle breeze *Refrain*

3. And when I think
That God His son
Not sparing
Sent Him to die
I scarce can take it in
That on the cross my burden
Gladly bearing He bled and died
to take away my sin *Refrain*

4. When Christ shall come
With shout of acclamation
And take me home
What joy shall fill my heart
Then I shall bow
In humble adoration
And there proclaim
My God how great Thou art ***Refrain***

The Gospel: Mark: 4:35-41

Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

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

The Gospel passage is read.

³⁵ That day when evening came, he said to his disciples, “Let us go over to the other side.” ³⁶ Leaving the crowd behind, they took him along, just as he was, in the boat. There were also other boats with him. ³⁷ A furious squall came up, and the waves broke over the boat, so that it was nearly swamped. ³⁸ Jesus was in the stern, sleeping on a cushion. The disciples woke him and said to him, “Teacher, don’t you care if we drown?”

³⁹ He got up, rebuked the wind and said to the waves, “Quiet! Be still!” Then the wind died down and it was completely calm.

⁴⁰ He said to his disciples, “Why are you so afraid? Do you still have no faith?”

⁴¹ They were terrified and asked each other, “Who is this? Even the wind and the waves obey him!”

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

The Homily (*sit*)

The Reverend Robin Reeves-Kautz

The Apostles' Creed (*stand*)

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Celebrant: In the assurance of eternal life given at Baptism, let us proclaim our faith and say,

Celebrant and People: **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 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.**

The Prayers of the People (*People respond after each prayer with "Hear us Lord"*)

Celebrant: For our brother, Alan, let us pray to our Lord Jesus Christ who said, "I am Resurrection and I am Life."

People: **Hear us, Lord.**

Celebrant: Lord, you consoled Martha and Mary in their distress; draw near to us who mourn for Alan, and dry the tears of those who weep.

People: **Hear us, Lord.**

Celebrant: You wept at the grave of Lazarus, your friend; comfort us in our sorrow.

People: **Hear us, Lord.**

Celebrant: You raised the dead to life; give to our brother eternal life.

People: **Hear us, Lord.**

Celebrant: You promised paradise to the thief who repented; bring our brother to the joys of heaven.

People: **Hear us, Lord.**

Celebrant: Our brother was washed in Baptism and anointed with the Holy Spirit; give him fellowship with all your saints.

People: **Hear us, Lord.**

Celebrant: He was nourished with your Body and Blood; grant him a place at the table in your heavenly kingdom.

People: **Hear us, Lord.**

Celebrant: Comfort us in our sorrows at the death of our brother; let our faith be our consolation, and eternal life our hope.

Silence is kept.

Concluding Prayer

Celebrant: Father of all, we pray to you for Alan, and for all those whom we love but see no longer. Grant to them eternal rest. Let light perpetual shine upon them. May his soul and the souls of all the departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. **Amen.**

The Peace

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

People: **And also with you.**

The People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Offertory

- *All Will Be Well*

written and sung by Greg Essington

Marianne and Alan Essington will bring forward offerings of bread & wine.

The Great Thanksgiving (*stand*)

Eucharistic Prayer A

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

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 right to give him thanks and praise.**

Celebrant: It is right, and a good and joyful thing, 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 for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Celebrant and People

**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.

The people kneel or stand.

Celebrant: Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world. On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you; 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 for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

People: **Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

The Celebrant continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom. 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 for ever.

People: **AMEN.**

The Lord's Prayer

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

Celebrant and 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 Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.

A period of silence is kept.

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People: **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

The Ministration of Communion

All baptized Christians are welcome to come to the altar and receive the bread and wine of communion. Others are invited to come forward for a blessing, indicated by crossing your arms over your chest. If you need a gluten-free wafer, please tell the Celebrant just before you receive communion.

Communion Hymns:

Hymn #335 (*Blue Hymnal*) (*all sing*)

I Am The Bread Of Life

Hymn #490 (*Blue Hymnal*) (*all sing*)

I Want To Walk As A Child Of The Light

Hymn #400 (*Blue Hymnal*) (*all sing*)

All Creatures Of Our God and King

Post Communion Prayer (*kneel or stand*)

Celebrant and People: **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.**

Hymn #473 (*all sing*)

Lift High The Cross

The Blessing

Celebrant: The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant: Make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight; through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory for ever and ever.

People: **Amen.**

The Dismissal

Celebrant: Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Recessional

Scotland The Brave

Jon Cox, Bagpipes

Postlude



*Please join us in celebrating Alan's life with
his family and friends in the Parish Hall.*

*A private interment will be held with the family
in the Grace Garden at a later date.*



Order of Procession

Acolytes

Mary Young
Margaret Jones

Chalicers

Angela McCabe
Kim Lehnhoff
Gary Jones
Will Parker

Celebrant

The Reverend Robin Reeves-Kautz

Readers

Marianne Essington
Kim Lehnhoff
Dave Mayberry

Ushers

Ron Weeks
Jim Cutshall
Mark Lehnhoff
John Pitts
Steve Freeman
Charles Collins

Music

Bonnie McDaniel, Organist
Jon Cox, Bagpipes
Greg Essington, Soloist

Sound Technicians

Jay Richardson

Videographer

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Charles Alan Hammond

August 22, 1954 – February 15, 2025

Charles Alan Hammond, beloved husband, father, and friend, died on Saturday, February 15, 2025, of pancreatic cancer in Houston, Texas.

Alan was born on August 22, 1954, the youngest of four boys, in Greenwood, South Carolina to Gaines and Anne Hammond. After graduating with honors in chemical engineering from Clemson University in 1977, Alan moved to the Houston area to join The Dow Chemical Company.

He soon met Fran McKneely. When Fran's parents learned that Alan was a golfer with a single-digit handicap, he was warmly welcomed into the family. Alan and Fran married in 1980 and celebrated their 44th wedding anniversary last November.

Once married, they relocated to Lake Jackson, and their family grew with the birth of their three children, Patricia, Mark, and Cason. Alan was actively involved in their school life, coaching girls' basketball and softball and boys' basketball and soccer, and getting the kids excited about conducting science projects. From the time they were born, his love for them was ever-present, teaching them integrity and a strong work ethic and setting an example of kindness.

In 1997, Alan retired from Dow, becoming the manager of Englobal Engineering and then developing his own engineering consulting business. His passion for engineering carried through at home, with a garage equipped with tools to deal with any new project. For example, a patio renovation led to him earning a state certification as a windstorm engineer.

Next to the tools were the golf clubs. Alan started playing golf as a kid in South Carolina with his friends. He continued to play in Lake Jackson, becoming a regular at the Wilderness, where he won Player of the Year in 2019, sunk two hole-in-ones, and was part of the club's team in several Brazos Cup tournaments. In 1995, after 18 years on the waitlist, Alan started receiving annual tickets to the Masters golf tournament. This gave him the opportunity to take friends and family every year to the area of the country where he grew up and enjoy the best of golf.

Alongside the tools and golf clubs were Alan's grills. He was an exceptional cook, winning the praises of many friends and family who had the privilege to share his meals. The Clemson Tigers fan base grew in Lake Jackson as Alan hosted playoff games at home.

Alan celebrated his 70th birthday in August, surrounded by friends and family.

Alan will be remembered as honest and genuine, a brilliant engineer and loving husband and father, with a quiet and sharp sense of humor and unrelenting optimism.

He is preceded in death by his parents, Gaines and Anne Hammond, and his brother, Bill. He is survived by his wife Fran; daughter Patricia and son-in-law Carles; son Mark and daughter-in-law Leanne; son Cason; brother John and sister-in-law Ann; and brother Bob.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that donations be made to: True to Life Ministries, 105 This Way, Lake Jackson, Texas 77566, <https://ttml.org/donate/> in Alan's memory.