

In Celebration for the Life of  
*Scott Cornell Binde*



**July 19, 1959—June 1, 2024**

Lutheran Church of the Reformation  
Washington, DC

Wednesday, July 10th † 11am

# ☪ ☪ ☪ GATHERING ☪ ☪ ☪

*The Holy Spirit, the comforter, gathers us in worship.*

## **Prelude**

<i>What a Friend We Have in Jesus</i>	Charles C. Converse
<i>Turn! Turn! Turn!</i>	Adapted by Pete Seeger (Ecclesiastes 3)
<i>Dona Nobis Pacem (Grant Us Peace)</i>	Unknown
<i>Just a Closer Walk with Thee</i>	Traditional
<i>Peace is Flowing Like a River</i>	Rev. Carey Landry
<i>Be Thou My Vision</i>	Traditional (Irish origin)
<i>I Believe</i>	Ervin Drake, Irvin Graham, Jimmy Shirl & Al Stillman

*Diane Mackrell, piano*

Scott's Sister

## **Welcome**

## **Gathering**

The Holy Spirit, the comforter, gathers us in worship.

## **Gathering Hymn**

*This is My Father's World*

ELW 824

## **Introduction**

Welcome in the name of Jesus,  
the Savior of the world.  
We are gathered to worship,  
to proclaim Christ crucified and risen,  
to remember before God our brother, Scott,  
to give thanks for his life,  
to commend him to our merciful redeemer,  
and to comfort one another in our grief.

## Thanksgiving for Baptism

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.

Eternal God, maker of heaven and earth, who formed us from the dust of the earth, who by your breath gave us life, we glorify you. **We glorify you.**

Jesus Christ, the resurrection and the life, who suffered death for all humanity, who rose from the grave to open the way to eternal life, we praise you.

**We praise you.**

Holy Spirit, author and giver of life, the comforter of all who sorrow, our sure confidence and everlasting hope, we worship you. **We worship you.**

To you, O blessed Trinity, be glory and honor, forever and ever. **Amen.**

## Greeting

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

## Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.                    *A brief silence.*

O God of grace and glory, we remember before you today our brother, Scott. We thank you for giving him to us to know and to love as a companion in our pilgrimage on earth. In your boundless compassion, console us who mourn. Give us faith to see that death has been swallowed up in the victory of our Lord Jesus Christ, so that we may live in confidence and hope until, by your call, we are gathered to our heavenly home in the company of all your saints; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

## Reflections

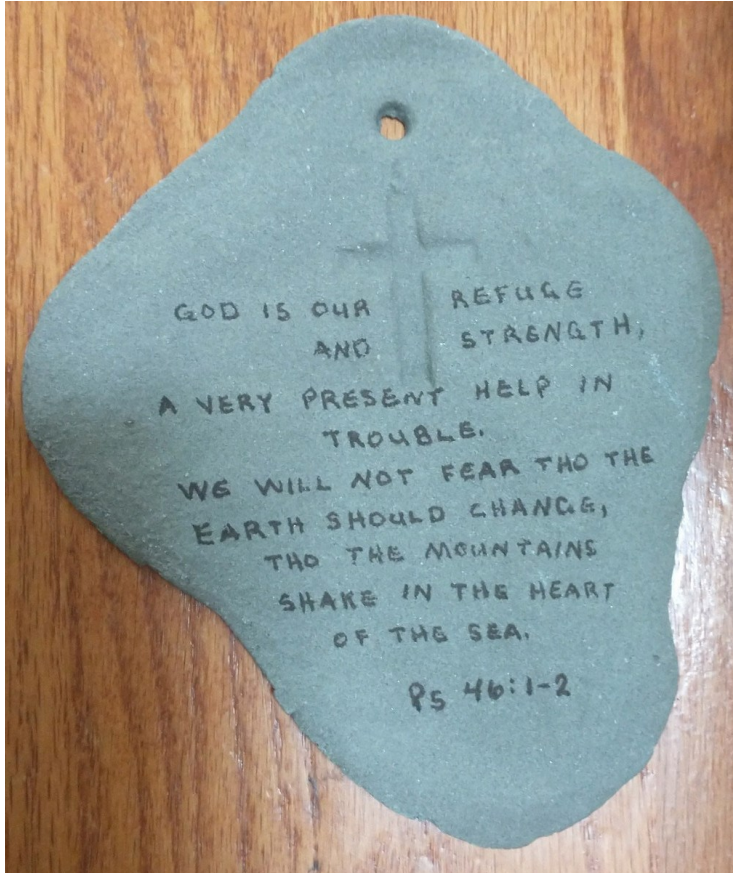
Craig Middlebrook  
Janice Fuld  
Bob Meyer  
Lee Mitchell

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*God speaks to us in scriptures read, sung and preached.*

First Reading—Psalm 46:1-2

Sara Roose



Word of God, Word of life.

**Thanks be to God.**

Second Reading—John 6:37-40

<sup>37</sup>Everything that the Father gives me will come to me, and anyone who comes to me I will never drive away; <sup>38</sup>for I have come down from heaven, not to do my own will, but the will of him who sent me. <sup>39</sup>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. <sup>40</sup>This is indeed the will of my Father, that all who see the Son and believe in him may have eternal life; and I will raise them up on the last day."

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

Hymn of the Day

Old Rugged Cross

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1 On a hill far a - way stood an old rug - ged cross,  
 2 Oh, that old rug - ged cross so de - spised by the world,  
 3 In the old rug - ged cross, stained with blood so di - vine,  
 4 To the old rug - ged cross I will ev - er be true,

the em - blem of suf - f'ring and shame;  
 has a won - drous at - trac - tion for me;  
 a won - drous beau - ty I see;  
 its shame and re - proach glad - ly bear;

and I love that old cross where the dear - est and best  
 for the dear Lamb of God left his glo - ry a - bove,  
 for 'twas on that old cross Je - sus suf - fered and died,  
 Christ will call me some day to my home far a - way,

for a world of lost sin - ners was slain.  
 to . . . . bear it to dark Cal - va - ry.  
 to . . . . par - don and sanc - ti - fy me.  
 where his glo - ry for - ev - er I'll share.

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# Old Rugged Cross

*Refrain*

So I'll cher - ish the old rug - ged cross,  
cross, the old rug - ged cross,

till my tro - phies at last I lay down;

I will cling to the old rug - ged cross,  
cross, the old rug - ged cross,

and ex - change it some day for a crown.

*Text: George Bennard, 1873-1958. Music: THE OLD RUGGED CROSS, George Bennard, 1873-1958.*

## Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**  
**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come 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.**

## Special Music

*Whispering Hope*  
Diane Mackrell, accordion

Alice Hawthorne  
Scott's Sister

Soft as the voice of an angel,  
Breathing a lesson unheard,  
Hope with a gentle persuasion  
Whispers her comforting word:  
Wait till the darkness is over,  
Wait till the tempest is done,  
Hope for the sunshine tomorrow,  
After the shower is gone.

### **Refrain:**

Whispering hope, oh, how welcome thy voice,  
Making my heart in its sorrow rejoice.

## Prayers of Intercession

Let us pray.

*A brief silence is kept.*

Almighty God, in holy baptism you have knit your chosen people together into one communion of saints in the body of Christ. Give to your whole church in heaven and on earth your light and your peace.

God of mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Grant that all who have been baptized into Christ's death and resurrection may die to sin and rise to share the new life in Christ.

God of mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Give courage and faith to all who mourn,  
and a sure and certain hope in your loving care,  
that, casting all their sorrow on you,  
they may have strength for the days ahead.

God of mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Grant to us who are still in our pilgrimage, and who walk as yet by faith,  
that, where this world groans in grief and pain,  
your Holy Spirit may lead us to bear witness to your light and life.

God of mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Help us, 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.

God of mercy, **hear our prayer.**

God of all grace, we give you thanks because by his death our Savior Jesus Christ destroyed the power of death and by his resurrection he opened the kingdom of heaven to all believers. Make us certain that because he lives we shall live also, and that neither death nor life, nor things present nor things to come, will be able to separate us from your love in Christ Jesus our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**



## The Lord's Prayer

Matthew 6:9-13; Luke 11:1-4

Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray:

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.**

☩ ☩ ☩ **SENDING** ☩ ☩ ☩

*God blesses us and sends us in peace.*

## Commendation

Let us commend Scott to the mercy of God, our maker and redeemer.

*Silence is kept.*

Into your hands, O merciful Savior, we commend your servant, Scott.

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.**

Let us go forth in peace,

**in the name of Christ. Amen.**

**Sending Hymn**

*O Beautiful for Spacious Skies*

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**Postlude**

*Sonata in B minor*

*Scarlatti*

*Prelude and Fugue in B major*

J.S. Bach

*Weep No More*

Dave Brubeck

*Over the Rainbow*

Arr. George Shearing

*Baseball Theme*

Vince Guaraldi

Patrick Shea, friend of Scott's



**Honorary Pallbearers**

OutRiders Bicycle Group

Virginia - DC - Maryland

The family deeply appreciates your many prayers and love during this time. Please greet them at the reception downstairs in the Parish Hall following this service.

**Presiding Minister:** The Rev. Kevin Vandiver, PhD

**Pianist:** Diane Mackrell (Scott's sister)

**Stream Team:** Matt Cook, Andy Weaver

# Scott Cornell Binde

Scott Cornell Binde (64) of Alexandria, VA died on June 1, 2024 in a bicycle accident near Thurmont, Maryland.

Scott was born on July 19, 1959 in Williston, North Dakota to Paul and Therese (Parnas) Binde of Fortuna, North Dakota. He was the 9<sup>th</sup> of 11 children in the family.

He grew up on the family wheat farm at Fortuna, attended Lincoln Valley and Fortuna elementary schools and graduated from Divide County High School in 1977. Life on the farm was largely occupied with helping with household and farm/vegetable garden chores, as well as many happy family times playing card games, board games, softball, croquet and the family camping trip every summer.

Scott graduated with a degree in Geological Engineering/Mathematics with a Teaching Certificate from the University of North Dakota in 1984. He then applied for and was accepted in the Peace Corps and spent the next 3 years in Cameroon as a Peace Corps volunteer, performing a teaching role in post-secondary schools. He formed many close friendships with other Peace Corps volunteers during this time.

Upon his return to the USA in 1987, Scott completed a Masters degree in Mathematics & Statistics at the University of North Dakota. He began his employment with the USDA in Washington, DC in 1989 as a Mathematical Statistician and continued to work there until his retirement in December 2023.

Scott's time in Washington, DC began his great 'love affair' with his bicycle. He co-founded the OutRiders DC cycling group and regularly planned and led bike rides for this group. He also enjoyed cycling far & wide in the eastern USA seaboard area, as well as in Portugal, Tunisia, Laos and Alaska and regularly completed rides of 100 miles or more. He has also more recently been an active participant in the Freezing Saddles event which involves bike riding during the winter. Another more recent cycling activity has involved a lot of gravel rides and he commissioned a custom-made bicycle christened "Alvilda", his mother's middle name.

Scott became involved in the Lutheran Refugee Services in his early time in Washington, DC and he mentored and formed a close relationship with a Vietnamese family, continuing over the years to participate in their family celebrations and traveling to Vietnam with them. He also had a close connection with the Lutheran Church of the Reformation in Washington, DC and served on the Church Council.

Family connections were a high priority for Scott. He regularly hosted family to stay in Alexandria and was very active in initiating, promoting and organizing family gatherings. He regularly made time to visit siblings, nieces and nephews, including his 2 sisters in Australia. He had also formed close connections with many relatives in Norway and hosted them when they visited the USA as well as traveling to Norway many times himself.

And he loved nothing better than getting back to spend time on the family farm at Fortuna, immersing himself in maintaining the homestead as well as connecting with family and neighbors in the area. He had just spent a week at the farm before his untimely death.

Scott is survived by siblings Diane (Dennis) Mackrell of Euroa, Australia; Nancy (Scott) Collard of Columbia Falls, MT; Sheila (Greg) Sleep of Port Lincoln, Australia; Lyndon (Carrie) Binde of Horace, ND; Leon (Barb) Binde of Fargo, ND; sister-in-law Debbie Binde of Lake Park, MN and numerous nieces, nephews, step-nieces and nephews, and great nieces and nephews. Scott was preceded in death by his parents Paul and Therese, infant brother Nolan, brothers Dale, Boyd and Newell, sister Beryl, 2 brothers-in-law and a niece.

