

# TRINITY EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

Newport News, Virginia  
September 18, 2022 ~ 3pm

*A Service of Remembrance*



## DONALD EUGENE GOLDEN

Organist/Choirmaster Emeritus

*June 4, 1935 — December 2, 2021*

*An asterisk (\*) denotes that the congregation is invited to stand in body or in spirit.*

**PRELUDE** *Liebster Jesu, wir sind hier* J. S. Bach  
(recorded October 26, 1996)

**WELCOME** The Rev. Tina M. Melusky

**\*HYMN NO. 851** When in Our Music God Is Glorified ENGELBERG

**A READING FROM ECCLESIASTES 3:1-15** Pastor Melusky

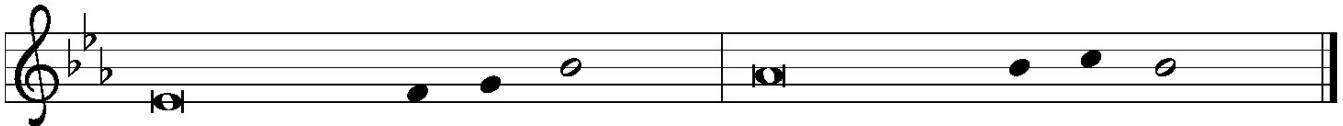
**REMARKS** William C. Solomon

**WORDS OF REMEMBRANCE** The Rev. Thomas L. Bosserman

**\*HYMN NO. 886** Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing AZMON

**WORDS OF REMEMBRANCE** Daniel E. Landis  
Claudette H. Taylor

**PSALM 47** (*sung responsively*)



Clap your hands, | all you peoples;  
shout to God with a | joyful sound.  
**For the Lord Most high is | to be feared:**  
**a great king over | all the earth,**  
who subdues the | peoples under us,  
and the nations un- | der our feet;  
**who chooses our inheri- | tance for us,**  
**the pride of Jacob, | whom God loves.**  
God has gone up | with a shout,  
the Lord with the sound | of the ram's horn.  
**Sing praises to | God, sing praises;**  
**sing praises to our | king, sing praises.**  
For God is the king of | all the earth;  
sing praises | with a song.  
**God reigns o- | ver the nations;**  
**God is en- | throned on high.**  
The nobles of the peoples have gathered as the people of the | God of Abraham.  
The rulers of the earth belong to God, who is high- | ly exalted.

<b>MUSICAL OFFERING</b>	<i>Benedictus</i> , Op. 59, No. 9 Heidi B. Bloch, organist	Max Reger
<b>WORDS OF REMEMBRANCE</b>		Heidi B. Bloch
<b>*HYMN NO. 838</b>	Beautiful Savior	SCHÖNSTER HERR JESU
<b>RECORDING BY DON GOLDEN</b>	<i>Partita on Showalter</i> (recorded May 18, 2003)	John Spong
	I. Bouyantly	V. Majestically
	II. Rhythmic Vitality	VI. With Authority
	III. Mystically	VII. With a Lilt
	IV. Flowing	VIII. Grandeur
<b>MUSICAL OFFERING</b>	<i>Ab! per sempre io ti perdei</i> from <i>I Puritani</i> W. Bradley Fielding, baritone	Vincenzo Bellini
<b>*HYMN NO. 504</b>	A Mighty Fortress Is Our God	EIN FESTE BURG
<b>BENEDICTION</b> ( <i>please be seated</i> )		Pastor Melusky
<b>POSTLUDE</b>	<i>Carillon de Westminster</i> (recorded May 18, 2003)	Louis Vierne

## PARTICIPANTS

**THE REV. TINA M. MELUSKY**

*Pastor,*

*Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church*

**THE REV. THOMAS L. BOSSERMAN**

*Pastor Emeritus,*

*Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church*

**WILLIAM C. SOLOMON**

*Music and Worship Committee,*

*Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church*

**DANIEL E. LANDIS**

**CLAUDETTE H. TAYLOR** (in absentia)  
*Former Heads of Trinity Lutheran School*

**HEIDI B. BLOCH**

*Organist; Former student of Don Golden*

**W. BRADLEY FIELDING**

*Baritone;*

*Member, Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church*

**GEOFFREY T. BELL**

*Organist; Director of Music Ministries,  
Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church*

**GREGORY L. VICIK**

*Audio/Visual*

**SANDRA U. COBB & JUDITH N. HUNT**

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**Donald Eugene Golden** died Tuesday, December 2, 2021, in Camp Hill, PA. A native of York Springs, PA, he was born June 5, 1935; the son of Ralph Lloyd and Grace Catherine Trostle Golden. In addition to his parents, he was predeceased by his brother, Gary Lee Golden, and brother-in-law, Lyle Gunderson. He is survived by his sisters, Shirley Sturgeon (Ronald) and Janet Gunderson of San Antonio, Texas; his sister-in-law, Sherriel McCoy Golden, and several nephews and nieces in Mechanicsburg, PA.

Don was a graduate of York Springs High School and Gettysburg College with a Bachelor's degree in Music, majoring in organ performance, where he received highest departmental honors. He earned a Master's Degree in Sacred Music, with a concentration in organ and choral conducting, from the School of Sacred Music, Union Theological Seminary, NYC. Among his professors at Union, he studied with Dr. Robert Baker, Dean of the School of Sacred Music.

While serving in the infantry at Fort Benning, Georgia, he was the Chaplain's assistant at the School Brigade Chapel, Organist/Choirmaster for the School Brigade Chapel and the Lawson Airfield Chapel. He was baritone soloist and accompanist with the Fort Benning Soldiers' Chorus.

During the summer of 1969, Don attended master classes at New College, Oxford, England, where he studied organ with Dr. Michael Schneider of Cologne, Germany; choral seminar with Dr. David Lumsden, Director of Music, New College; hymnology with Dr. Heinz Zimmerman; organ improvisation with Reneta Zimmerman; and organ technique and practice with Dr. Francis Jackson, Yorkminster Cathedral, York, England.

Don served churches in Pennsylvania, New York City, New Jersey, Connecticut, and Georgia. For 29 years he was the Organist/Choirmaster at Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church and Director of Music for Trinity Lutheran School in Newport News, VA. He retired in 1995 as Organist/Choirmaster Emeritus. During his tenure at Trinity, he was the moving force behind the installation of the 1969 Casavant Frères organ. While in Newport News, he also served as associate conductor and accompanist for the Virginia Choral Society, formerly the Peninsula Choral Society. For 14 years he was adjunct professor of organ and choral conducting at Christopher Newport College, now Christopher Newport University. Don was known and respected throughout the Tidewater area as a recitalist, conductor, accompanist, and teacher. He retired to Mechanicsburg, PA, and served as substitute organist at churches of various denominations in the central PA area. He was proud that he had played in 80 churches during his career as a church musician. He had the opportunity to play the organs at the West Point Military Academy and the United States Naval Academy.

#### **FROM THE GOLDEN FAMILY:**

*Shirley and I regret that we are not able to attend the Service of Remembrance for our brother, Donald Golden. We thank all who have worked to coordinate the service memorializing his 30 years with you all at Trinity Lutheran Church. We want to express our heartfelt THANKS for the sympathy cards and your donations to Trinity Lutheran and Christopher Newport University in his name.*

*Upon moving back to PA, Donald missed his Virginia friends and regretted not visiting as often as he would have liked. The reason being he was usually busy as a sub organist at many churches in PA. He liked to share that he played at over 70 churches around PA. He certainly appreciated his friends who kept in contact over the years.*

*Our appreciation to Bill Solomon for letting us know about the Remembrance Service.*

Shirley Sturgeon, Janet Gunderson, and families

# When in Our Music God Is Glorified



1 When in our mu - sic God is glo - ri - fied, and ad - o -  
2 How oft, in mak - ing mu - sic, we have found a new di -  
3 So has the church, in lit - ur - gy and song, in faith and  
4 And did not Je - sus sing a psalm that night when ut - most  
5 Let ev - 'ry in - stru - ment be tuned for praise; let all re -



ra - tion leaves no room for pride, it is as  
men - sion in the world of sound, as wor - ship  
love, through cen - tu - ries of wrong, borne wit - ness  
e - vil strove a - gainst the light? Then let us  
joyce who have a voice to raise; and may God



though the whole cre - a - tion cried:  
moved us to a more pro - found  
to the truth in ev - 'ry tongue: Al - le - lu - ia!  
sing, for whom he won the fight:  
give us faith to sing al - ways:

Text: Fred Pratt Green, 1903–2000

Music: ENGELBERG, Charles V. Stanford, 1852–1924

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# Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing



- 1 Oh, for a thou - sand tongues to sing my great Re - deem - er's praise,
- 2 My gra - cious Mas - ter and my God, as - sist me to pro - claim,
- 3 The name of Je - sus charms our fears and bids our sor - rows cease,
- 4 He speaks, and lis - t'ning to his voice, new life the dead re - ceive;



- the glo - ries of my God and king, the tri - umphs of his grace!  
to spread through all the earth a - broad the hon - ors of your name.  
sings mu - sic in the sin - ner's ears, brings life and health and peace.  
the mourn - ful, bro - ken hearts re - joice, the hum - ble poor be - lieve.



- 5 Look unto him, your Savior own,  
O fallen human race!  
Look and be saved through faith alone,  
be justified by grace!

- 6 To God all glory, praise, and love  
be now and ever giv'n  
by saints below and saints above,  
the church in earth and heav'n.

Text: Charles Wesley, 1707–1788, alt.

Music: AZMON, Carl G. Gläser, 1784–1829; arr. Lowell Mason, 1792–1872

# Beautiful Savior

1 Beau - ti - ful Sav - ior, King of cre - a - tion,  
 2 Fair are the mead - ows, fair are the wood - lands,  
 3 Fair is the sun - shine, fair is the moon - light,  
 4 Beau - ti - ful Sav - ior, Lord of the na - tions,

Son of God and Son of Man!  
 robed in flow'rs of bloom - ing spring;  
 bright the spar - kling stars on high;  
 Son of God and Son of Man!

Tru - ly I'd love thee, tru - ly I'd serve thee,  
 Je - sus is fair - er, Je - sus is pur - er,  
 Je - sus shines bright - er, Je - sus shines pur - er  
 Glo - ry and hon - or, praise, ad - o - ra - tion,

light of my soul, my joy, my crown.  
 he makes our sor - rowing spir - it sing.  
 than all the an - gels in the sky.  
 now and for - ev - er - more be thine!

# A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

1 A might - y for - tress is our God, a sword and shield vic -  
 2 No strength of ours can match his might! We would be lost, re -  
 3 Though hordes of dev - ils fill the land all threat - 'ning to de -  
 4 God's Word for - ev - er shall a - bide, no thanks to foes, who

to - rious; he breaks the cruel op - pres - sor's rod and  
 ject - ed. But now a cham - pion comes to fight, whom  
 vour us, we trem - ble not, un - moved we stand; they  
 fear it; for God him - self fights by our side with

wins sal - va - tion glo - rious. The old sa - tan - ic foe  
 God him - self e - lect - ed. You ask who this may be?  
 can - not o - ver - pow'r us. Let this world's ty - rant rage;  
 weap - ons of the Spir - it. Were they to take our house,

has sworn to work us woe! With craft and dread - ful might  
 The Lord of hosts is he! Christ Je - sus, might - y Lord,  
 in bat - tle we'll en - gage! His might is doomed to fail;  
 goods, hon - or, child, or spouse, though life be wrenched a - way,

he arms him - self to fight. On earth he has no e - qual.  
 God's on - ly Son, a - dored. He holds the field vic - to - rious.  
 God's judg - ment must pre - vail! One lit - tle word sub - dues him.  
 they can - not win the day. The king - dom's ours for - ev - er!

Text: Martin Luther, 1483-1546; tr. *Lutheran Book of Worship*  
 Music: EIN FESTE BURG, Martin Luther  
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