

A Celebration of the Life of the
Rev. Randall Lynn Schutt
September 16, 1954 - April 8, 2026



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St. Andrew Lutheran Church
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GATHERING

THE HOLY SPIRIT CALLS US TOGETHER AS THE PEOPLE OF GOD.

PRELUDE

Slide Show & Music

WELCOME

The assembly may stand.

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

All who are baptized into Christ have put on Christ. In his baptism, Randy was clothed with Christ. In the day of Christ's coming, he shall be clothed with glory.

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.

GATHERING HYMN

Lift High the Cross | ELW 660

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 together.

O God of grace and glory, we remember before you today our brother, Randy. 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 your aid, so we may see in death the gate to eternal life, that we may continue our course on earth in confidence until, by your call, we are reunited with those who have gone before us; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The assembly is seated.

REMEMBRANCES

Randy Sinn

WORD

GOD SPEAKS TO US IN SCRIPTURE READING, PREACHING, AND SONG.

READING

2 Corinthians 4:16-18

A reading from Second Corinthians.

¹⁶Do not lose heart. Even though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner nature is being renewed day by day. ¹⁷For our slight, momentary affliction is producing for us an eternal weight of glory beyond all measure, ¹⁸because we look not at what can be seen but at what cannot be seen, for what can be seen is temporary, but what cannot be seen is eternal.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 23

read in unison

¹The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not be in want.

²The LORD makes me lie down in green pastures and leads me beside still waters.

³You restore my soul, O LORD,
and guide me along right pathways for your name's sake.

⁴Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall fear no evil;
for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

⁵You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies;
you anoint my head with oil, and my cup is running over.

⁶Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life,
and I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever.

The assembly may stand.

GOSPEL

John 1:1-5

The holy gospel according to John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

¹In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.
²He was in the beginning with God. ³All things came into being through him, and
without him not one thing came into being. What has come into being ⁴in him was life,
and the life was the light of all people. ⁵The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness
did not overtake it.

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

The assembly is seated.

A MESSAGE OF HOPE

Pr. Allison Bengfort

The assembly may stand.

HYMN OF THE DAY

Borning Cry | ELW 732

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.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

God of mercy,
hear our prayer.

MEAL

GOD FEEDS US WITH THE PRESENCE OF JESUS CHRIST.

DIALOGUE

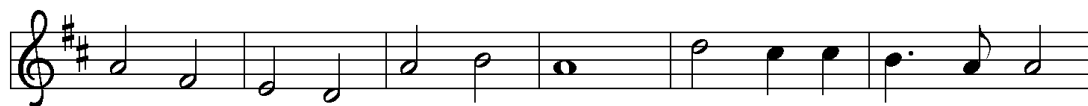
The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PREFACE

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might,



heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.



Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes



in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

LORD'S PRAYER

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.

The assembly is seated.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

All are invited to commune without exception! At the direction of an usher, those wishing to commune may proceed down the center aisle. A piece of gluten-free bread will be placed in your hands. You may dip the bread in the wine (red chalice) or the grape juice (light-colored chalice), or you may choose to partake of bread only. If you prefer to receive a blessing, please cross your arms across your chest to indicate this preference. If you would like to receive communion in your seat, please alert an usher, and the elements will be brought to you.

LAMB OF GOD



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on



us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have



mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the



sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound | ELW 779
A Mighty Fortress Is Our God | ELW 504

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray together.

We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life. In your mercy, strengthen us through this gift, in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

SENDING

GOD BLESSES US AND SENDS US IN MISSION TO THE WORLD.

COMMENDATION

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

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

BLESSING

May the Lord bless you and keep you. May the Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy. May the Lord look upon you with favor and ☩ give you peace.

Amen.

SENDING HYMN

On Eagle's Wings | ELW 787

DISMISSAL

Let us go forth in peace,
in the name of Christ. Amen.

POSTLUDE

Slide Show & Music

Reception to follow in Fellowship Hall.

Memorial contributions may be made to:

Habitat for Humanity
Providence Hospice of Oregon
St. Andrew Foundation

Those who are unable to attend this memorial in-person may access the livestream by visiting: [youtube.com/live/eEufqzMnf1I](https://www.youtube.com/live/eEufqzMnf1I)

Randy was born September 16, 1954, to Walter and Luella Schutt at Heller Memorial Hospital in Napoleon, Ohio. Randy joined two older brothers, Thomas and Daniel. They lived on a farm where Randy spent hours outside, riding his bike, playing ball of all kinds, making up the players and teams, and keeping stats in spiral notebooks of their plays. He lived there into his freshman year until his parents moved into a little town call McClure, Ohio. He lived with his Grandma Katherina in Deshler, Ohio, to finish his freshman year and then transferred to Napoleon High School. He participated in track, cross country, was a senior class officer, and participated in the school musical, *My Fair Lady*, where he met Choice.

In the fall after high school graduation, he began his college years at Capital University in Bexley, Ohio. On Easter Sunday, March 30, 1975—during his junior year—he married Choice Taylor at St. John Lutheran Church in Deshler. Later that year, they were blessed with a daughter, Amie Christine. Upon graduation, in spring of 1976, Randy received a B.A. in psychology.

Randy worked for J. C. Penney for two years, unloading trucks, and finally decided it was time to begin his lifelong dream of being a pastor. He entered Trinity Lutheran Seminary in Bexley in the fall of 1978. His year of internship was in Bend, Oregon, where he & Choice and Amie fell in love with the Pacific Northwest. After graduation in 1982, and ordination, Randy accepted a call to St. Paul Lutheran Church in SE Portland. He worked with Reverend Dave Forsberg. He worked on projects for homeless shelters and Operation Nightwatch. In the fall of 1983, Randy & Choice were blessed again with the birth of their son, Joshua Stephen. Randy was at St. Paul until 1996 when he took a call to Good Shepherd Lutheran Church in Albany, Oregon. He spent many years working with the community and the church's preschool. In 2009, he took another call to Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Church in Beaverton, Oregon, because he wanted to be closer to kids and grandkids. He served there until January 2014 when he had his stroke.

After a few years, he & Choice became members of St. Andrew Lutheran Church in Beaverton where he was able to teach a few Bible classes and help with a few services, which helped him feel like he was still a pastor. During the pandemic, Randy was asked to preach at Zoom services for Holy Trinity Lutheran Church in SE Portland, which he truly enjoyed.

Randy was a lifelong Yankees fan. He had great love for sports of all kinds, listening to music, and reading. But his greatest loves were for his family and being a pastor for the people he served.

Randy went to his heavenly home peacefully on April 8, 2026.

Randy was preceded in death by his parents, Walter & Luella Schutt; and his brother, Thomas Schutt, who was also a pastor. He is survived by his oldest brother, Dan Schutt (Becky); his wife of 51 years, Choice; his daughter Amie, and her husband Chris Kelley; his son, Joshua Schutt; his grandchildren, Chase Hohnstein, Taylor Marlia, Avery Marlia, and Daphne Kelley; and his great grandson, Chase Hohnstein, Jr.

Serving in Worship

Presiding Ministers: Pr. Allison Bengfort, Pr. Colleen Nelson
Preacher: Pr. Allison Bengfort
Lector: Dan Schutt
Musician: Karl Gustafson
Ushers: Tom Lane, Dana Taylor-Blakemore
Tech Team: Paul Navarre, Chase Isaacson
Memorial Service Coordinator: Pat Christiansen
Reception Coordinators: Pam & Tom Jelineo

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