



John Stewart

1946 – 2022

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GATHERING

PRELUDE

“Blest Are Ye Faithful Sons”

Johannes Brahms

GREETING AND WELCOME

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

All **And also with you.**

LITANY

P 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.

All **We glorify you.**

P 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.

All **We praise you.**

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

All **We worship you.**

P To you, O blessed Trinity, be glory
and honour, forever and ever.

All Amen.

GATHERING HYMN

“Beautiful Savior”

ELW 838

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P ...through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

REMEMBRANCES

Colin Stewart

Neil Stewart

SONG

“God Weeps with Us Who Weep and Mourn” *St. Philip’s Choir*

WORD

READINGS

Psalm 121

Liam Stewart

REFLECTION

Rev. Tuula Van Gaasbeek

HYMN

“Here I Am, Lord”

ELW 574

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

*Each petition will end “In your mercy,”
Please respond, “hear our prayer.”*

LORD'S PRAYER

All

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.

FAREWELL

P

John, our companion in faith,
we entrust you to God,
go forth from this world in the love of God who created you,
in the mercy of Jesus who died for you,
in the power of the Holy Spirit who receives and protects you.

All

May you rest in peace and rise in glory,
where pain and grief are banished,
and life and joy are yours forever.

COMMENDATION

P

Into your hands, O merciful Saviour,
we commend your servant John.
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.

All

Amen.

P

The Lord bless him and keep him.
The Lord make his face shine on him and be gracious to him.
The Lord look upon him with favour and give him ☩ peace.

All

Amen.

P

Rest eternal grant him, O Lord;
and let light perpetual shine upon him.

All

COMMITTAL

P In sure and certain hope of the resurrection to eternal life through our Lord Jesus Christ, we commend to almighty God our brother John Stewart and we commit the ashes of his mortal body to final rest; earth to earth ashes to ashes, dust to dust. The Lord bless him and keep him. The Lord make his face shine on him and be gracious to him. The Lord look upon him with favour and give him peace.

All **Amen.**

SONG

“God Weeps with Us Who Weep and Mourn” *St. Philip’s Choir*

SENDING

BLESSING

P 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 everything good so that you may do God’s will,
working in you that which is well-pleasing in God’s sight;
through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever.

All **Amen.**

P May the peace of God, which far surpasses all our human understanding, keep your hearts and minds safe in Christ Jesus.

All **Amen.**

P Let us go forth in peace.

All **In the name of Christ. Amen.**

HYMN

“How Great Thou Art”

ELW 856

POSTLUDE

“Prelude”

Camille Saint-Saens

SERVING TODAY

Rev. Tuula Van Gaasbeek	Pastor
Chris Ritcey-Conrad	Music Director
St. Philip's Choir	Music
Jess Walker	Livestream Usher
Dave Pascoe	Audio Visual

*This service is being livestreamed on the internet:
<http://www.stphilipstoronto.com>*

MEMORIALS

To honour John's life, the family is requesting donations to St. Michael's Hospital or to St. Philip's Lutheran Church.

RECEPTION

Everyone is invited to join the family in the Fellowship Hall on the second floor of the building for refreshments and mutual conversation and consolation.

ASSISTIVE LISTENING DEVICES



St. Philip's supports the use of these devices. Please enquire at the audiovisual table.



John Stewart

September 7, 1946 – October 23, 2022

John passed away on Sunday morning, October 23 at the age of 76. John will be deeply missed by Carol, his spouse of 53 years, his dear sons, Colin (Julia) and Neil (Audrey) and his 3 precious grandchildren, Liam, Parker, and Declan.

John had a full life. He enjoyed his 32 year teaching career with the TDSB. After retiring, he and Carol spent more than a dozen years wintering in Florida with dear friends, and travelling to many destinations, including Europe, Australia, and the Far East. His pastimes included many sports - hockey, tennis, curling, and golf - and John took great joy spending time with family and friends. He was also committed to helping others through almost 15 years of volunteer work. His faith was strong and he was an active member at St. Philip's Lutheran Church.

The family would like to express their thanks to St. Michael's Hospital for the wonderful care they gave John through the years. If desired, friends may make memorial contributions to St. Michael's Hospital or to St. Philip's Lutheran Church.

St Philip's Lutheran Church



We are a diverse and inclusive Lutheran faith community freed by the grace of Christ to find God and self as we connect with our neighbours. We **practise hospitality** of open hearts and open arms. We **unite with partners** to make a difference in our neighbourhood. We **nurture** the community of Christ.

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