A Celebration of Life Henry Garnett Plaster, Jr. 7/26/28 – 3/21/22



Saturday, April 2, 2022 11:00 am

Bluemont United Methodist Church Rev. Bruce Lugn, Pastor

## Gathering Music by John Sanger, Rick Sutermeister, Alessandra Cortese de Bosis

Greetings - The Lord be with you. And also, with you.

Invocation - Eternal God, in birthing us into this world you have shared a great gift – life in all its dimension. For the joys and sorrows, for the smiles and tears, for health and suffering for belief and doubt, we praise you. May your benevolent Spirit comfort and guide us in this life and in the life that knows no end. Amen.

Hymn - A Mighty Fortress Is Our God, verses 1 and 2

Psalm 23 (said in unison)

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.

He maketh me to lie down in green pastures;

He leadeth me beside the still waters.

He restoreth my soul;

He leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.

Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil; for thou art with me;

Thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.

Thou prepare a table before me in the presence of mine enemies; thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.

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

Scripture Readings

Henry Plaster IV and Elie Plaster

Tributes

Henry Plaster III, John Constant, Cynthia Morris Marvin Watts, and Peter Weeks

Message

Rev. Bruce Lugn

## JOYFUL, JOYFUL, WE ADORE THEE

Joyful, joyful, we adore Thee, God of glory, Lord of love; Hearts unfold like flowers before Thee, Opening to the sun above. Melt the clouds of sin and sadness; Giver of immortal gladness, Fill us with the light of day!

All Thy works with joy surround Thee, Earth and heaven reflect Thy rays, Stars and angels sing around Thee, Center of unbroken praise; Field and forest, vale and mountain, Flowery meadow, flashing sea, Chanting bird and flowing fountain Call us to rejoice in Thee

## A MIGHTY FORTRESS IS OUR GOD

A mighty fortress is our God, A bulwark never failing; Our helper He amid the flood Of mortal ills prevailing. For still our ancient foe Doth seek to work us woe; His craft and power are great, And, armed with cruel hate, On earth is not his equal.

Did we in our own strength confide,
Our striving would be losing,
Were not the right Man on our side,
The Man of God's own choosing.
Dost ask who that may be?
Christ Jesus, it is He;
Lord Sabaoth His Name,
From age to age the same,
And He must win the battle.

Congregational Prayer (response)

Lord God, we give you thanks for the life of our friend, Henry.

We give you thanks that he lived among us and that we shared these years with him upon this earth.

We are grateful also Lord for the certainty with which we can now release him to you.

For we trust in your love for him, and for us! And we believe your promise that beyond this death lies new life to come.

Receive Henry, Lord and remember us who now live here without him.

Heal the hurt in our hearts. Turn our present emptiness into good and happy memories.

Teach us Lord to remember that we too must face death and so live responsibly and well. For you alone, O God are eternal.

Prayer of Commendation and Thanksgiving

Rev. Lugn

The Lord's Prayer (said in unison)

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 forever. Amen

Hymn - Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee, verses 1 and 2

Dismissal - The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face shine upon you and be gracious onto you. The Lord lift up his countenance upon you and give you Peace.

All are welcome and encouraged to join us at a very brief graveside ceremony at Ebenezer Cemetery immediately following the ceremony 20421 Airmont Road, Bluemont, VA.

An Open House will be held at Glenmeade Farm following the Interment 33965 Snickersville Turnpike, Bluemont, VA.



The family would like to thank you for your presence here today and for your support during this time.