

Zion Lutheran Church



October 6th, 2023

Funeral Service of Ron Valentino

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✠ Ronald G. Valentino ✠

Born: January 12th, 1939

Baptized into Christ: April 16th, 1939

Entered eternal rest in Christ: October 3rd, 2023

Please Stand

Processional Reading

Please be Seated

Opening Hymn – Amazing Grace

#744



1 A - maz - ing grace— how sweet the sound— That
2 The Lord has prom - ised good to me, His
3 Through man - y dan - gers, toils, and snares I
4 Yes, when this flesh and heart shall fail And
5 When we've been there ten thou - sand years, Bright



saved a wretch like me! I once was lost but
Word my hope se - cures; He will my shield and
have al - read - y come; His grace has brought me
mor - tal life shall cease, A - maz - ing grace shall
shin - ing as the sun, We've no less days to



now am found, Was blind but now I see!
por - tion be As long as life en - dures.
safe thus far, His grace will lead me home.
then pre - veil In heav - en's joy and peace.
sing God's praise Than when we'd first be - gun.

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Please Stand

Invocation

P In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

Placing of the Pall

Remembrance of Baptism

P In Holy Baptism Ron was clothed with the robe of Christ's righteousness that covered all his sin. St. Paul says, "Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into His death?"

C **We were buried therefore with Him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of 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.**

Kyrie

P Lord, have mercy upon us.

C **Christ, have mercy upon us.**
Lord, have mercy upon us.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray.

O God of grace and mercy, we give thanks for Your loving-kindness shown to Ron and to all Your servants who, having finished their course in faith, now rest from their labors. Grant that we also may be faithful unto death and receive the crown of eternal life; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

Please be Seated

First Reading – Job 19:23-27

“Oh that my words were written!
Oh that they were inscribed in a book!
Oh that with an iron pen and lead
they were engraved in the rock forever!
For I know that my Redeemer lives,
and at the last he will stand upon the earth.
And after my skin has been thus destroyed,
yet in my flesh I shall see God,
whom I shall see for myself,
and my eyes shall behold, and not another.
My heart faints within me!

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Second Reading – Revelation 21:1-5

Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, “Behold, the dwelling place of God is with man. He will dwell with them, and they will be his people, and God himself will be with them as their God. He will wipe away every tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning, nor crying, nor pain anymore, for the former things have passed away.” And he who was seated on the throne said, “Behold, I am making all things new.” Also he said, “Write this down, for these words are trustworthy and true.”

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Third Reading – John 3:14-17

And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

“For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Apostles' Creed

P God has made us His people through our Baptism into Christ. Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith.

C **I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.**

**And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell.

The third day He rose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven

and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.

From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian Church,
the communion of saints.**

the forgiveness of sins,

the resurrection of the body,

and the life ✠ everlasting. Amen.

Sermon

Please stand

Prayer of the Church

P ... Lord, in Your mercy,

C ... **hear our prayer.**

Lord's Prayer

P Taught by our Lord and trusting in His promises, we are bold to pray:

C **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 and ever.

Amen.

Benedicamus and Benediction

P Let us bless the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

P The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.

The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and ✠ give you peace.

C **Amen.**

P Let us go forth in peace,

C **in the name of the Lord. Amen.**

Please be Seated. Closing Hymn on following page ...

Closing Hymn – How Great Thou Art #801



1 O Lord my God, when I in awe-some won - der Con - sid - er
2 When through the woods and for - est glades I wan - der, I hear the
3 But when I think that God, His Son not spar - ing, Sent Him to
4 When Christ shall come with shout of ac - cla - ma - tion And take me



all the works Thy hand hath made, I see the stars, I hear the might - y
birds sing sweet - ly in the trees; When I look down from loft - y moun - tain
die, I scarce can take it in— That on the cross my bur - den glad - ly
home, what joy shall fill my heart! Then I shall bow in hum - ble ad - o -



thun - der, Thy pow'r through - out the u - ni - verse dis - played;
gran - deur And hear the brook and feel the gen - tle breeze;
bear - ing He bled and died to take a - way my sin;
ra - tion And there pro - claim: "My God, how great Thou art!"

Refrain



Then sings my soul, my Sav - ior God, to Thee, How great Thou



art! How great Thou art! Then sings my soul, my Sav - ior God, to



Thee, How great Thou art! How great Thou art!

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Please Stand

Removal of Pall

Recessional Readings

Service Participants

Pastor: Rev. Dr. Edward Grimenstein

Organist: Diane Strussenberg

Obituary

Age 84, of Collier Twp., formerly of South Fayette Twp., on October 3, 2023. Beloved husband of Betty (Sheldon) Valentino, loving father of Richard Valentino and Susen (Joseph) Radovich, cherished grandfather of Ronald (Aubrie Ensinger) Radovich and Melissa (Jacob) Radovich – Magdich, brother of Nancy (John) Livesay, Roberta (Eugene) Dellarso and the late Raymond Valentino and his wife Carrie, who survives, the late Ruth Spalla and her husband Gerald, who survives and the late Wayne Valentino and his wife Debbie, who survives. Also survived by numerous nieces and nephews. Ron was a retired employee from Mayview State Hospital. He enjoyed hunting, fishing, camping, and golfing. He was also a former South Fayette youth baseball coach for many years. Memorial contributions may be made to Zion Lutheran Church, 3197 Washington Pike, Bridgeville, PA 15017.