Officiant

Rev. Gusti Linnea Newquist

Reading

Scott Saacke

Reflections

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Drums/Guitar/VocalsZachary Maser

Piano

Sam Jannotta

Tech SupportMark Nutwell

*Please rise in body and spirit.

Reception following the service at the War Memorial Building 102 E. German Street Shepherdstown, WV

Gathering Music

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Drumming

Welcome

Introit

"Everything to Me," Joel Blunk

Proclamation

In life and death we belong to God.
Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit,
we trust in the one triune God,
whom alone we worship and serve.

Reading

Reflection

Special Music (see back cover) "Clay in the Potter's Hands," *Joel Blunk*

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Lesson

Matthew 11:28

Reflection

Response (6x)

What does the Lord require of you?
What does the Lord require of you?
Justice, kindness, walk humbly with your God.
To seek justice and love kindness
and walk humbly with your God

Lesson

Luke 10:20

Reflection

Response (6x)

The peace of the earth be with you, the peace of the heavens, too. The peace of the rivers be with you, the peace of the oceans, too. Deep peace falling over you. God's peace growing in you.

Lesson

Galatians 2:20

Reflection

Response (6x)

(Please sing whichever translation is most meaningful to you)

Confitemini Domino Quoniam Bonus! Confitemini Domino Alleluia!

Come and fill our hearts with your peace, You alone, O Lord, are holy. Come and fill our hearts with your peace, Alleluia!

Lesson

Luke 12:26

Reflection

Special Music

"Lord, It is Night" – Adapted from A New Zealand Prayer Book

Lesson

Romans 8:38-39

Reflection

Response (6x)

Let your servant now go in peace, O Lord, Now go in peace according to your word.

Offering

Offertory

"Sing at My Funeral"

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*Commendation

*A Living Memorial

*Credo

With believers in every time and place we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus, our Lord.

*+Sending (6x)

Lord prepare me to be a sanctuary, pure and holy tried and true. With thanksgiving, I'll be a living sanctuary for you.

*Recessional

"Mats Nye Gbe Adziha (I'll Use My Voice to Sing Praise)"

The Offering:

The congregation has been invited to bring a brief, written reflection of Joel's contribution to your life, sealed in an envelope, to share as an Offering. The reflections will be redistributed at the reception in order for us to receive the gift of another person's story of how their life was touched by Joel's walk on this earth. For those who did not bring an Offering to the service, materials will be available at the reception to make a contribution there.

+Hymns

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Clay in the Potter's Hand

Chorus:

Clay in the potter's hand That's who I am, that's who we are And I can't wait to see what takes shape Who we become (2x)

Verse 1:

God's got a hold on us right down to our heart Shaping and molding us into a perfect work of art

Chorus:

Clay in the potter's hand That's who I am, that's who we are And I can't wait to see what takes shape Who we become

Verse 2:

Even when I'm broken or if we should come unglued God can take each token and fashion something fresh and new

Chorus:

Clay in the potter's hand That's who I am, that's who we are And I can't wait to see what takes shape Who we become

Bridge:

When we're open
To the possibilities
There is no limit to
What God can do with you and me

Chorus:

Clay in the potter's hand That's who I am, that's who we are And I can't wait to see what takes shape Who we become (2x)

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A Celebration Of Life

January 18, 2025 • 2:00 p.m. Joel Timothy Blunk November 16, 1961 • December 1, 2024

Everything to me, *excerpt*

I wandered from my home
The faith that I was raised upon
A part of me was gone
But somehow I was hanging on
But was it really me
The evidence now shows
It was you who had a hold and would not let go

You are everything to me.
You set my mind and body free
Let me be your instrument
Making music fresh and new
Let me be the light that shines for You.

Joel Blunk

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