

TIMBER RIDGE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

"Old Stone Church"

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MEMORIAL SERVICE

January 6th, 2022



Celebrating the Life of **William (Bill) Peel**

JULY 4, 1934 — DECEMBER 11, 2022

Officiating:

Reverend Steve Cathcart

Reverend Patrick Lanaghan

Lynn Williamson, Pianist/Organist

*The congregation of Timber Ridge Presbyterian Church
is a community of believers in the Triune God*



Bill & Ann Peel—Married: June 25th,1961

Bill grew up in Whittier, California, on graduating from Whittier College in 1956. From there he went to dental school at the University of California Medical School in San Francisco. He graduated in 1960 and immediately set up his own practice in the West San Fernando Valley area of Los Angeles, and continued his practice for 35 years.

In 1996, he and Ann moved to Rockbridge County, and became members of Timber Ridge Presbyterian Church. He was an elder and chairman of the Worship Committee for the past 10 years.

Bill was one of the founding members of the Rockbridge Antique Auto Club. He had two Model T Fords.

He was also a member of the Rockbridge Arts Guild, having served as president and chairing the art show at the Rockbridge Regional Fair for 10 years. His medium was watercolor.

He was a member of Gideons International for 20 years.

Survivors are his wife of 60 years, Ann; son David of Whittier, Calif.; daughter Carolyn and husband Christopher Davis of Richmond; brother Maxwell C. Peel of Oregon; and grandchildren Lauren and Brandon Davis.

Memorial Service

***Prelude** *"Sheep May Safely Graze"* —J.S. Bach

Call to Worship *Reverend Patrick Lanaghan*

Opening Hymn 147 *"How Great Thou Art"* [Vs. 1,3,4]

Opening Prayer / Invocation

Hymn of Praise 3 *"Holy, Holy, Holy!"* [Vs. 1,2,4]

First Reading Psalm 23

Anthem *"My Shepherd"*
(Steve Cathcart, Mike Henry and Jerry Williamson)

Second Reading John 10:9-15

The Gospel John 14:1-6

Meditation *Reverend Steve Cathcart*

A Time of Remembrance and Thanksgiving

Prayers of the People

For Bill, our father, grandfather, brother, and friend; let us pray to our Lord Jesus Christ who said, "I am the resurrection and the life." Lord you consoled Martha and Mary in their distress; draw near to us who mourn for Bill, and dry the tears of those who weep.

O Lord, hear our prayer.

You wept at the grave of Lazarus, your friend; comfort us in our sorrow.

O Lord, hear our prayer.

You raised the dead to life; give to Bill eternal life.

O Lord, hear our prayer.

You promised paradise to the repentant thief; bring Bill to the joys of heaven.

O Lord, hear our prayer.

Merciful Lord, Bill was washed in baptism and anointed by the Holy Spirit; give him fellowship with all your saints.

O Lord, hear our prayer.

Bill was nourished at your table on earth; welcome him to your table in the heavenly kingdom.

O Lord, hear our prayer.

Comfort us in our sorrows at the death of Bill; let our faith be our consolation, and eternal life our hope.

Amen.

Our prayer today is simple Lord...that you may hear our very heart. Our prayer today is that you know how very much we love you, how very much we want to thank you for what you have done for us. It is only through you, that we can live. We raise our voices together, in praise and in honor to you God.

Lord's Prayer:

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 debts as we forgive our debtors; 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 572** "Blessed Assurance" [Vs. 1,2,3]

* **Commendation**

* **Charge & Blessing**

* **Postlude:** "For All the Saints"

Memorial Contributions

In lieu of flowers, donations to Rockbridge Area Hospice, Gideons International, or Timber Ridge Presbyterian Church

Timber Ridge Church invites family and friends of Bill for a time of fellowship and food at the Community Building after today's service.

Psalm 23

(NKJV)

A Psalm of David.

- 1 The Lord is my shepherd;
I shall not want.
- 2 He makes me to lie down in [b]green pastures;
He leads me beside the [c]still waters.
- 3 He restores my soul;
He leads me in the paths of righteousness
For His name's sake.
- 4 Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,
I will fear no evil;
For You are with me;
Your rod and Your staff, they comfort me.
- 5 You prepare a table before me in the presence of my
enemies; You anoint my head with oil; My cup runs over.
- 6 Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me
All the days of my life;
And I will dwell in the house of the Lord. Forever.

John 3:16-17

(NRSV)

“For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.

“Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.



John 14:1-6

(NRSV)

“Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father’s house there are many dwelling places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. And you know the way to the place where I am going.”

Thomas said to him, “Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?” Jesus said to him, “I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.

How Great Thou Art

by Stuart K. Hine

- 1 O Lord, my God, when I in awesome wonder
consider all the works thy hands hath made,
I see the stars, I hear the mighty thunder,
thy pow'r throughout the universe displayed;

Refrain:

Then sings my soul, my Savior-God, to thee:

How great thou art! How great thou art!

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- 3 And when I think that God, his Son not sparing,
sent him to die, I scarce can take it in,
that on the cross my burden gladly bearing
he bled and died to take away my sin; *[Refrain]*
- 4 When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation
and take me home, what joy shall fill my heart!
Then I shall bow in humble adoration
and there proclaim: "My God, how great thou art!" *[Refrain]*

Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty

By Reginald Heber

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty!

Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee;

Holy, Holy, Holy! merciful and mighty,

God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

Holy, Holy, Holy! all the saints adore Thee;

Casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;

Cherubim and seraphim falling down before Thee,

Who wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!

All Thy works shall praise Thy Name in earth and sky and sea.

Holy, holy, holy! merciful and mighty!

God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

Blessed Assurance

By Fanny J. Crosby

- 1 Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine!
O what a foretaste of glory divine!
Heir of salvation, purchase of God,
Born of His Spirit, washed in His blood.

Refrain:

This is my story, this is my song,

Praising my Savior all the day long;

This is my story, this is my song,

Praising my Savior all the day long.

- 2 Perfect submission, perfect delight,
Visions of rapture now burst on my sight;
Angels descending bring from above
Echoes of mercy, whispers of love. [Refrain]
- 3 Perfect submission - all is at rest,
I in my Savior am happy and blest;
Watching and waiting, looking above,
Filled with His goodness, lost in His love. [Refrain]

*God saw that Bill was getting tired,
And a cure was not to be.
So, he put his arms around him
and he whispered, "Come with Me."
With tearful eyes we watched Bill suffer
and saw him fade away,
Although we loved Bill dearly,
we could not make him stay.
A golden heart stopped beating.
Hard working hands came to rest.
God broke our hearts to prove to us,
He only takes the best.*

Submitted by: Marion Grant, family friend.

THERE ARE THREE THINGS THAT WILL ENDURE
Faith, Hope, Love
AND THE GREATEST OF THESE IS
LOVE
1 CORINTHIANS 13:13