

*A Service  
Celebrating the Life  
of  
Michael O'Connor*

# A CELEBRATION OF FAITH & LIFE

IN MEMORY OF  
**MICHAEL ROBERT O'CONNOR**  
*July 16, 1950—January 29, 2022*  
*APRIL 1, 2022 2:00 PM*

## VIDEO REFLECTION

**BAGPIPE PROCESSIONAL**      “Danny Boy”      *Shawn Johnson*

**PRELUDE**      “Dancing with Your Ghost”      *So Sco*

## OPENING WORDS

**THE CALL TO WORSHIP**      *Rev. Bill Good*

*Pastor:*      *We have gathered this day to celebrate the entry of Mike O'Connor into life eternal. Though we grieve, we do not gather as though we have no hope.*

**People:**      **We meet as a resurrection people, joyfully convened in the light of the promise that nothing can separate us from God's love.**

*Pastor:*      *God has been our source of help in ages past, from the dawning of our days through the advancing of our years. We acknowledge God as our hope for years to come.*

**People:**      **God's love permits us to see hope even in times of dark despair.**

**All:**      **As we come to worship, we praise God for Mike's life, and we are thankful that he is now with God.**

**\*OPENING MUSIC**      “Hallelujah”      *Debbie Fisher*

## SEEKING GUIDANCE & COMFORT

**OLD TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE READINGS**  
**NEW TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE READINGS**

**MUSICAL INTERLUDE**      “So I Can Find My Way”      *So Sco*

**THE MEDITATION & REFLECTIONS**

*Rev. Bill Good , Val Trimble,  
John Thompson, Mickey Keilman & Deb Bennthum*

**MUSICAL REFLECTION**

“Not Dark Yet”

*Debbie Fisher*

**THE PASTORAL PRAYER**

**SOLO**

“Dawning of a New Day/Going Home”

*Shawn Johnson*

**THE UNISON PRAYER**

**God of grace: In Jesus Christ you have given a new and living hope. We thank you that by dying He has conquered death; and that by rising again He promises eternal life. Help us to know that because He lives, we shall live also; and that neither death, nor life, nor things present, nor things to come, shall be able to separate us from your love, in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**CLOSING MUSIC**

“Jealous of the Angels”

*Debbie Fisher*

**BENEDICTION**

**BAGPIPE RECESSIONAL**

“Rowen Tree”

*Shawn Johnson*

**POSTLUDE**

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Minister	Rev. Bill Good
Musician	Debbie Fisher, Soloist
Flutist	So Sco - Laura Strickland
Guitar	So Sco - Alex Mac
Bagpiper	Shawn Johnson

Maryann and the family would love to have you join them for refreshments and shared remembrance immediately following the service in the Fellowship Center.

## ***Psalm 23***

Pastor: The LORD is my shepherd, I shall not want.

**People: He makes me lie down in green pastures;  
he leads me beside still waters;**

Pastor: he restores my soul.  
He leads me in right paths for his name's sake.

**People: Even though I walk through the darkest valley,  
I fear no evil; for you are with me;  
your rod and your staff— they comfort me.**

Pastor: You prepare a table before me in the presence  
of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil;  
my cup overflows.

**People: Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all  
the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house  
of the LORD my whole life long.**

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**In lieu of flowers, the family welcomes donations in Mike's memory made to:**

Glioblastoma Foundation  
447 Broadway, 2nd Floor #41  
New York, NY 10013  
[www.Glioblastomafoundation.org](http://www.Glioblastomafoundation.org)

Or

Southwest Wildlife Conservation  
[www.southwestwildlife.org](http://www.southwestwildlife.org)