

*A Service  
Celebrating the Life  
of  
John Brockelman*

# A CELEBRATION OF FAITH & LIFE

IN MEMORY OF

**JOHN BROCKELMAN**

June 19, 1945 - October 27, 2022

DECEMBER 9, 2022 10:00 AM

## PRELUDE

## WORDS OF WELCOME

## THE CALL TO WORSHIP

*Rev. Bill Good*

*Pastor: We have gathered this day to celebrate the entry of John Brockelman 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 John's life, and we are thankful that he is now with God.**

**\*OPENING MUSIC** "How Great Thou Art"

## SEEKING GUIDANCE & COMFORT

**OLD TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE READINGS**

**NEW TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE READINGS**

## The MEDITATION & REFLECTIONS

*Rev. Bill Good*

*Bob Lull, Greg Brockelman & Karin Brockelman*

## THE PASTORAL PRAYER

**\*HYMN**

“It Is Well with My Soul”

## THE RESPONSIVE PRAYER

*Give rest, O Christ, to your servant, John Brockelman, where sorrow and pain are no more, neither sighing; but life everlasting.*

*Dear John, into the darkness and warmth of Creation*

**We lay you down**

*Into the sadness and the smiles of our memories*

**We lay you down**

*Into the cycle of living and dying and rising again*

**We lay you down**

*May you rest in peace, in fulfillment, in loving*

**May you run straight home into God’s embrace.**

*Into the freedom of wind and sunshine*

**We let you go**

*Into the dance of the stars and the planets*

**We let you go**

*Into the wind’s breath and the hands of the star maker*

**We let you go**

*We love you, we miss you, we want you to be happy*

**Go safely, go dancing, go running home.**

*Amen*

**\*CLOSING HYMN**

“Amazing Grace”

## BENEDICTION

## POSTLUDE

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Minister  
Pianist

Rev. Bill Good  
Dorothy Parris

There will be a Greeting in the Narthex with Greg & Karin (John’s son and daughter).

***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 John's memory made to:**

Fountain Hills Presbyterian Church  
13001 N Fountain Hills Blvd  
Fountain Hills, AZ 85268

To benefit the Building & Grounds Ministry

## How Great Thou Art

O, Lord, my God, when I in awesome wonder  
Consider all the worlds Thy hands have made,  
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder,  
Thy pow'r thro'out the universe displayed.

*Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee;  
How great Thou art! How great Thou art!  
Then sings my soul, My Savior God, to Thee;  
How great Thou art! How great Thou art!*

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!

*Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee;  
How great Thou art! How great Thou art!  
Then sings my soul, My Savior God, to Thee;  
How great Thou art! How great Thou art!*

## **Amazing Grace**

**Amazing grace! How sweet the sound  
That saved a wretch like me!  
I once was lost but now am found;  
Was blind, but now I see.**

**'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,  
And grace my fears relieved.  
How precious did that grace appear  
The hour I first believed.**

**When we've been there ten thousand years,  
Bright shining as the sun,  
We've no less days to sing God's praise  
Than when we'd first begun.**

## **It Is Well With My Soul**

When peace like a river attendeth my way,  
When sorrows like sea billows roll;  
Whatever my lot, Thou hast taught me to say,  
“It is well, it is well with my soul.”

*It is well with my soul,  
it is well, it is well with my soul.*

Tho’ Satan should buffet, tho’ trials should come,  
Let this blest assurance control,  
that Christ hath regarded my helpless estate,  
And hath shed His own blood for my soul.

*It is well with my soul,  
it is well, it is well with my soul.*

My sin - O, the bliss of this glorious tho’t-  
My sin – not in part, but the whole,  
Is nailed to the cross, and I bear it no more,  
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul!

*It is well with my soul,  
it is well, it is well with my soul.*

And, Lord, haste the day when the faith shall be sight,  
The clouds be rolled back as a scroll,  
The trump shall resound and the Lord shall descend,  
“Even so”- it is well with my soul.

*It is well with my soul,  
it is well, it is well with my soul.*