



SAINT MARK'S
EPISCOPAL CATHEDRAL
SEATTLE, WASHINGTON

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IN CELEBRATION OF THE LIFE OF
THE REVEREND DOCTOR
DENNIS STANLEY TIERNEY

May 23, 2025

5:00 PM



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Saint Mark's Cathedral acknowledges that we gather on the traditional land of the first people of Seattle, the Duwamish People, who are still here, and we honor with gratitude the land itself and the life of all the Coast Salish tribes.

PRELUDE *Pastorella*, BWV 590

J. S. Bach

LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT

Please stand, as able.

HYMN IN PROCESSION *O God, our help in ages past*

TUNE: *St. Anne*

1 O God, our help in a - ges past, our hope for years to come,
2 un - der the sha - dow of thy throne thy saints have dwelt se - cure;
3 Be - fore the hills in or - der stood, or earth re - ceived her frame,
4 A thou - sand a - ges in thy sight are like an eve - ning gone;
5 Time, like an ev - er - roll - ing stream, bears all our years a - way;
6 O God, our help in a - ges past, our hope for years to come,

1 our shel - ter from the storm - y blast, and our e - ter - nal home:
2 suf - fi - cient is thine arm a - lone, and our de - fense is sure.
3 from ev - er - last - ing thou art God, to end - less years the same.
4 short as the watch that ends the night be - fore the ris - ing sun.
5 they fly, for - got - ten, as a dream dies at the o - pening day.
6 be thou our guide while life shall last, and our e - ter - nal home.

THE INVITATORY & PSALTER

OPENING SENTENCE

The Book of Common Prayer (1979), p. 116

Officiant If I say, "Surely the darkness will cover me, and the light around me turn to night,"
darkness is not dark to you, O Lord; the night is as bright as the day;
darkness and light to you are both alike. *Psalm 139:10,11*

PRECES

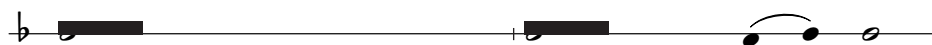
Deus, in adjutorium



Officiant O God, make speed to save us.



People O Lord, make haste to help us.



All Glory to the Father and to the Son, and to the Holy Spi - rit



as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. A - men.



Al - le - lu - ia.

The Hymnal 1982 #s-58, © Church Pension Fund

1. O gra - cious Light, pure bright - ness of the ev - er - liv - ing
Fa - ther in hea - ven, O Je - sus Christ, ho - ly and bless - ed!

2. Now as we come to the set - ting of the sun, and our
eyes be - hold the ves - per light, we sing your prais - es, O God:
Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Spi - rit. 3. You are wor - thy at all times
to be praised by hap - py voic - es, O Son of God, O Giv - er
of life, and to be glo - ri - fied through all the worlds.

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Please be seated.

PSALMODY Psalm 121 ♦ *Levavi oculos*

Simplified Anglican Chant (Kennedy)

The organist plays through the chant once, all sing the chant as pointed.



LIFT up my eyes to the / hills; *
from where is my help to / come?
My help comes from the / LORD, *
the maker of heaven and / earth.

He will not let your foot be / moved *
and he who watches over you will not fall a- /sleep.
Behold, he who keeps watch over / Israel *
shall neither slumber nor / sleep;

The LORD himself watches / over you; *
the LORD is your shade at your / right hand,
So that the sun shall not strike you by / day, *
nor the moon by / night.

The LORD shall preserve you from all / evil; *
it is he who shall keep you / safe.
The LORD shall watch over your going out and
your coming / in, *
from this time forth for ever- /more.

Glory to the Father and to the / Son
and to the Holy /Spirit; *
as it was in the beginning, is / now,
and will be forever. A- /men.

THE LESSONS

Please remain seated.

READING Lamentations 3:22-33

read by Doug Thorpe

THE steadfast love of the LORD never ceases, his mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness. “The LORD is my portion,” says my soul, “therefore I will hope in him.”

The LORD is good to those who wait for him, to the soul that seeks him. It is good that one should wait quietly for the salvation of the Lord. It is good for one to bear the yoke in youth, to sit alone in silence when the Lord has imposed it, to put one’s mouth to the dust (there may yet be hope), to give one’s cheek to the smiter, and be filled with insults.

For the Lord will not reject forever. Although he causes grief, he will have compassion according to the abundance of his steadfast love; for he does not willingly afflict or grieve anyone. ♦

Please stand, as able.

CANTICLE *The Song of Mary ♦ Magnificat*

WORDS: Luke 1:46-55

TUNE: *Puer Nobis*



Please stand, as able.

CANTICLE *The Song of Simeon ♦ Nunc dimittis*

WORDS: Luke 2:29-32;

TUNE: *Song 1*

The musical score is written for two voices, Treble and Bass, in a key of one flat (B-flat major or D minor). It consists of five systems of staves. The lyrics are: "Lord God, you now have set your ser - vant free to go in peace as prom-ised in your word; my eyes have seen the Sa - vior, Christ the Lord, pre-pared by you for all the world to see, to shine on na - tions trapped in dark - est night, the glo - ry of your peo - ple, and their light." The melody is simple and hymn-like, with a final double bar line at the end of the fifth system.

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Please be seated.

REMEMBRANCES

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Blair Grant Darney
The Very Rev. Steven L. Thomason



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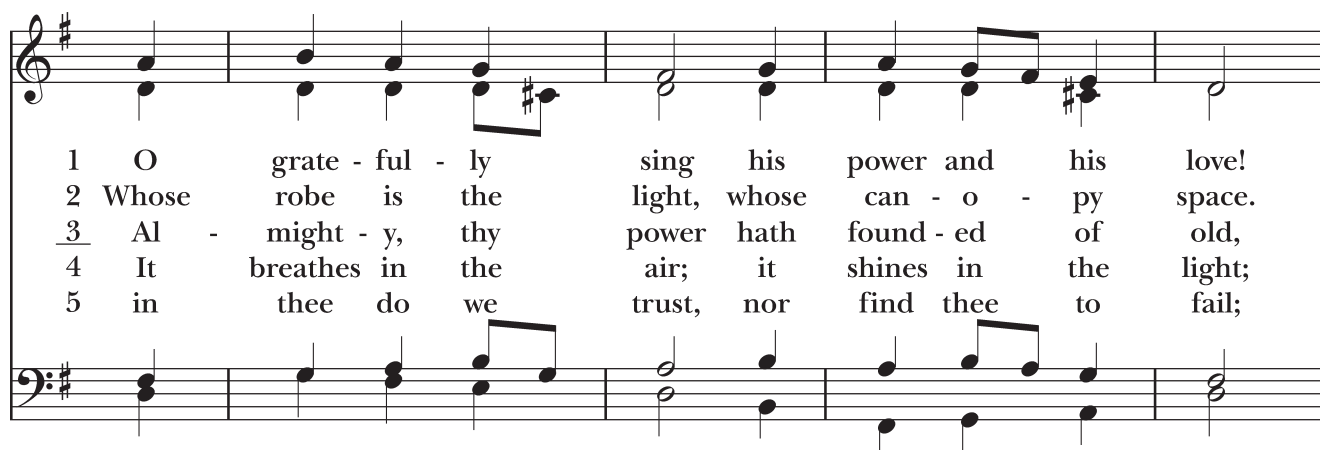
HYMN

O worship the king

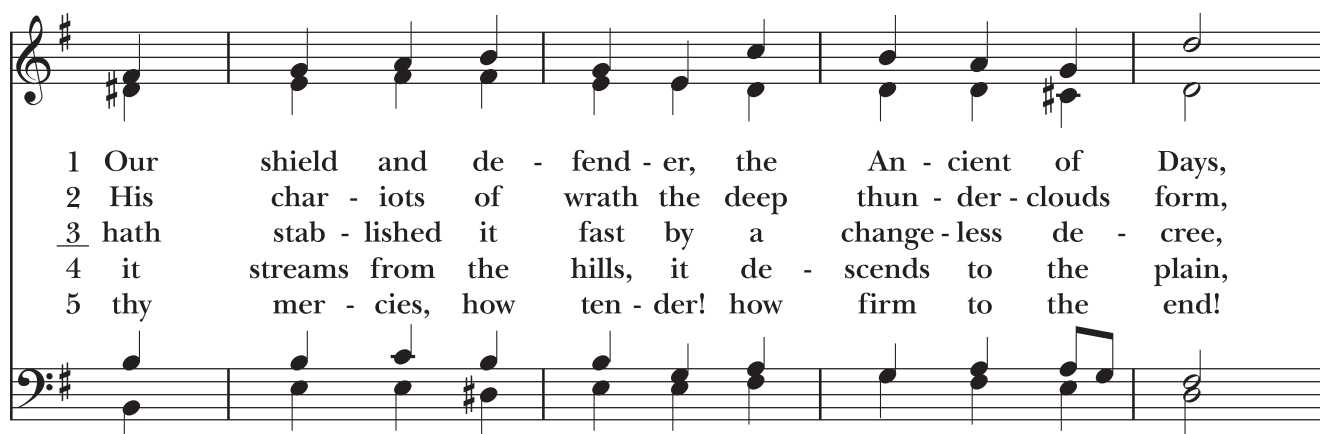
TUNE: Hanover



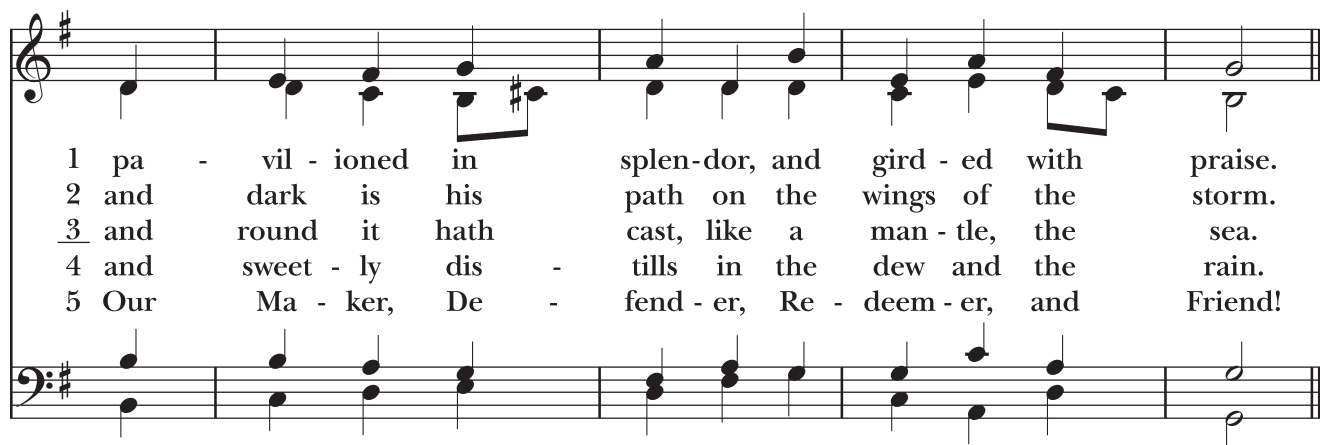
1 O wor - ship the King, all glo - rious a - bove!
2 O tell of his might! O sing of his grace!
3 The earth, with its store of won - ders un - told,
4 Thy boun - ti - ful care, what tongue can re - cite?
5 Frail chil - dren of dust, and fee - ble as frail,



1 O grate - ful - ly sing his power and his love!
2 Whose robe is the light, whose can - o - py space.
3 Al - might - y, thy power hath found - ed of old,
4 It breathes in the air; it shines in the light;
5 in thee do we trust, nor find thee to fail;



1 Our shield and de - fend - er, the An - cient of Days,
2 His char - iots of wrath the deep thun - der - clouds form,
3 hath stab - lished it fast by a change - less de - cree,
4 it streams from the hills, it de - scends to the plain,
5 thy mer - cies, how ten - der! how firm to the end!



1 pa - vil - ioned in splen - dor, and gird - ed with praise.
2 and dark is his path on the wings of the storm.
3 and round it hath cast, like a man - tle, the sea.
4 and sweet - ly dis - tills in the dew and the rain.
5 Our Ma - ker, De - fend - er, Re - deem - er, and Friend!

Please remain standing, as able.

THE APOSTLES' CREED *chanted on a monotone*

Officiant I believe in God,

All the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

THE PRAYERS

SALUTATION & THE LORD'S PRAYER

<i>Officiant</i>	<i>Assembly</i>	<i>Officiant</i>
		
The Lord be with you.	And also with you.	Let us pray.



Officiant Our Father, who art in heaven

All 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,
for ever and ever.



A - men.

PRAYERS FOR A VIGIL

The Book of Common Prayer (1979), p. 465

Officiant Dear Friends: It was our Lord Jesus himself who said “Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest.” Let us pray, then, for our brother Dennis, that he may rest from his labors, and enter into the light of God’s eternal sabbath rest.

Officiant Receive, O Lord, your servant, for he returns to you.

People **Into your hands, O Lord, we commend our brother Dennis.**

Officiant Wash him in the holy font of everlasting life,
and clothe him in his heavenly wedding garment.

People **Into your hands, O Lord, we commend our brother Dennis.**

Officiant May he hear your words of invitation,
“Come, you blessed of my Father.”

People **Into your hands, O Lord, we commend our brother Dennis.**

Officiant May he gaze upon you, Lord, face to face,
and taste the blessedness of perfect rest.

People **Into your hands, O Lord, we commend our brother Dennis.**

Officiant May angels surround him, and saints welcome him in peace.

People **Into your hands, O Lord, we commend our brother Dennis.**

THE COLLECTS

The Book of Common Prayer (1979), p. 464, 466, 253

Officiant **D**ELIVER your servant, Dennis, O Sovereign Lord Christ, from all evil, and set him free from every bond; that he may rest with all your saints in the eternal habitations; where with the Father and the Holy Spirit you live and reign, one God, for ever and ever.

All **Amen.**

Officiant **A**Lmighty God, our Father in heaven, before whom live all who die in the Lord: Receive our brother Dennis into the courts of your heavenly dwelling place. Let his heart and soul now ring out in joy to you, O Lord, the living God, and the God of those who live. This we ask through Christ our Lord.

All **Amen.**

Officiant **E**TERNAL Lord God, you hold all souls in life: Give to your whole Church in paradise and on earth your light and your peace; and grant that we, following the good examples of those who have served you here and are now at rest, may at the last enter with them into your unending joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

All **Amen.**

A PRAYER OF ST. CHRYSOSTOM

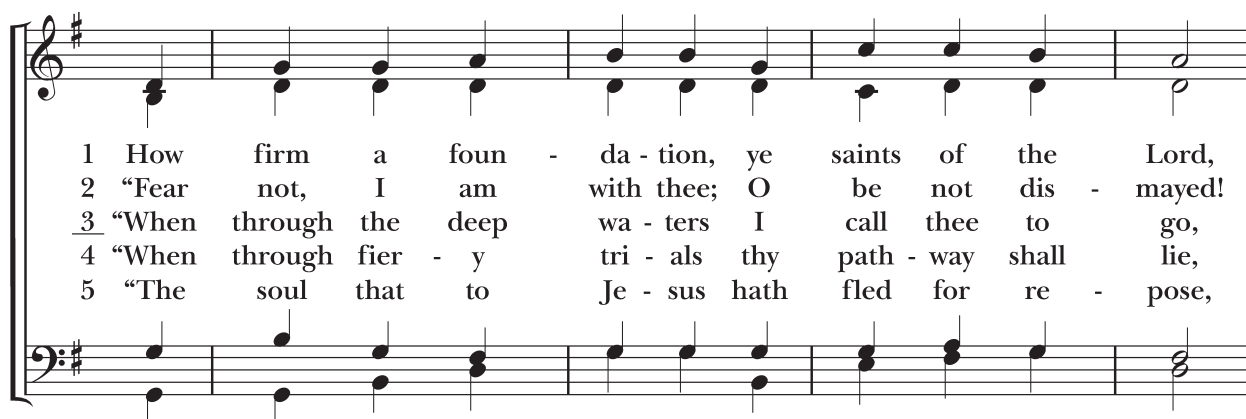
The Book of Common Prayer (1979), p. 465

Officiant **A**LMIGHTY GOD, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting.

All **Amen.**

CLOSING HYMN *How firm a foundation*

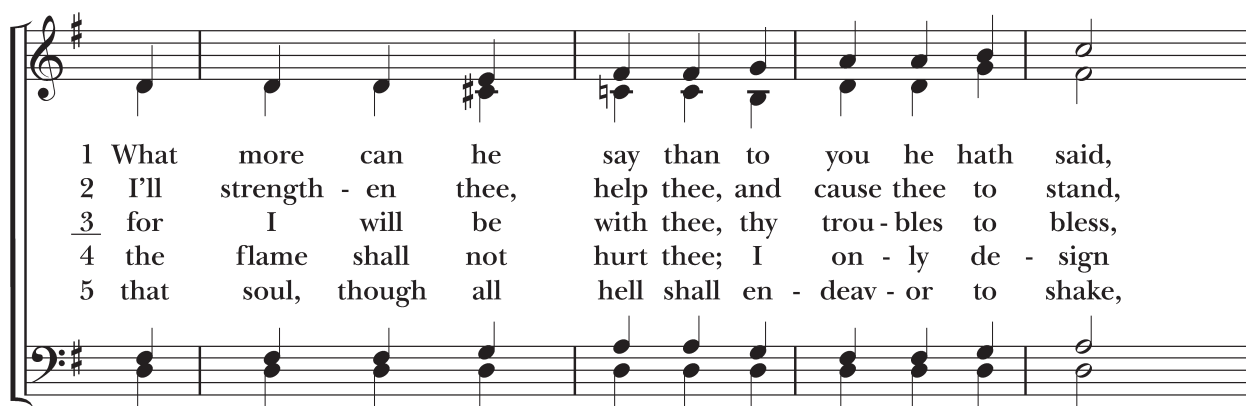
TUNE: *Lyons*



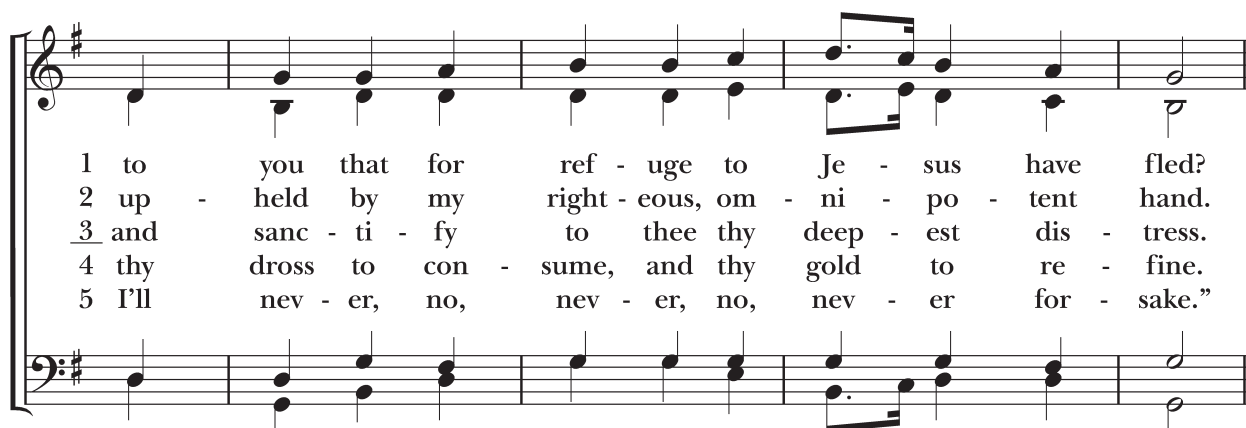
1 How firm a foun - da - tion, ye saints of the Lord,
 2 "Fear not, I am with thee; O be not dis - mayed!
 3 "When through the deep wa - ters I call thee to go,
 4 "When through fier - y tri - als thy path - way shall lie,
 5 "The soul that to Je - sus hath fled for re - pose,



1 is laid for your faith in his ex - cel - lent word!
 2 For I am thy God, and will still give thee aid;
 3 the riv - ers of woe shall not thee o - ver - flow;
 4 my grace, all suf - fi - cient, shall be thy sup - ply;
 5 I will not, I will not de - sert to its foes;



1 What more can he say than to you he hath said,
 2 I'll strength - en thee, help thee, and cause thee to stand,
 3 for I will be with thee, thy trou - bles to bless,
 4 the flame shall not hurt thee; I on - ly de - sign
 5 that soul, though all hell shall en - deav - or to shake,



1 to you that for ref - uge to Je - sus have fled?
 2 up - held by my right - eous, om - ni - po - tent hand.
 3 and sanc - ti - fy to thee thy deep - est dis - tress.
 4 thy dross to con - sume, and thy gold to re - fine.
 5 I'll nev - er, no, nev - er, no, nev - er for - sake."

DISMISSAL



Officiant Let us bless the Lord.



All Thanks be to God.

CLOSING SENTENCE

Officiant May the God of hope fill us with all joy and peace in believing
through the power of the Holy Spirit. *Romans 15:13*

All Amen.

Please remain standing, as able, for the procession of ministers.

VOLUNTARY Carillon (Longpont), Op. 31, No. 21 from *24 Pièces en style libre*

Louis Vierne

*All are invited to join the reception in Bloedel Hall, accessible via
the stairs at the west end of the Cathedral, or via the elevator in the
southwest corner of the nave.*

MINISTERS OF THE LITURGY

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The Right Reverend Philip N. LaBelle

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Theresa Barker

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Michael Seewer

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John Stuntebeck, *organist*

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THE REV. DR. DENNIS STANLEY TIERNEY

September 23, 1946 – May 2, 2025

THE REVEREND DENNIS STANLEY TIERNEY died suddenly at home on May 2, 2025. A beloved husband, brother, uncle and great uncle, priest, traveler, raconteur, chef, and loyal friend—he and his many talents touched the lives of his family, friends, and parishioners. He is survived by his beloved wife, Grace; his brothers Stephen, David, and Paul; five nieces, three nephews, six great nieces and six great nephews.

Dennis was born September 23, 1946, in Los Angeles, to Stanley Edwin and Laurel Davidson Tierney. The family soon left their California roots and moved to LaGrange, Illinois in 1950, for his father's promotion. Dennis graduated from the University of Illinois, earned a master's degree from Northern Illinois University, and embarked on a life of teaching. He earned a PhD from the Claremont Graduate School in 1979. After several years working in California higher education, including at the Far West Regional Lab for Educational Research and Development and six years with the state-wide California Commission on Credentialing, Dennis was called to serve in a new way, and enrolled at Church Divinity School (Episcopal) of the Pacific in Berkeley, California. Ordained in 2002, he served the church as a priest for 23 years—first at St Bede's Episcopal Church, Menlo Park, California, as Assistant Rector, then Associate Rector; in 2007 he was called as Rector at St Barnabas Episcopal Church, Bainbridge Island, and served there until 2016.

As Rector of St Barnabas Episcopal Church, he brought caring comfort to his parishioners and encouraged them in caring for and serving others. During his tenure, he led the renovation of the church hall and commercial kitchen and delighted in “Blessing the Bicycles” that participated in the Chilly Hilly ride each year.

In his retirement, Dennis served the Episcopal Diocese of Olympia in several capacities—supporting smaller parishes, serving as property manager for the diocese, and overseeing the historically appropriate renovations to the Diocesan headquarters; and as Priest Associate at Saint Mark's Episcopal Cathedral in Seattle.

He met Grace, the love of his life, on Fall Registration Day at Claremont Graduate School in 1977. They were married in 1978; and together, over 48 years, they navigated the completion of two graduate degrees, two growing professional careers, two commute schedules, a dramatic career change, and two retirements.

He loved to travel with Grace, savoring the wonder of the world. Each trip enlarged his increasingly profound understanding of the interplay of history and geography. It's complicated. He marveled at the multitude of ways people of this world make sense of their lives and their world. He always returned home changed. He read widely in these histories (and remembered what he had read!).

He treasured his extended family and was a wise and funny uncle to his nieces and nephews and great nieces and great nephews—buying the only prom dress he ever bought; teaching them to be charitable and prudent, as well as wise, with their money, and giving them driving lessons when they were way too young—in the St. Barnabas lower parking lot; hosting summers on Bainbridge at “Camp Grace and Dennis;” arranging cruises to Alaska to see the wild life; and telling dumb jokes. He offered them unconditional love and caring advice.

Dennis is remembered for his eight-course Chinese Banquets, his zest for life; his delightful sense of humor; his amazing imagination and curiosity, his caring concern; his love of choral music, theater, opera, history and storytelling; YouTube videos on antique Caterpillar tractor restoration; and for his willingness to be helpful. His influence was wide and deep; it remains in the hearts of all those he touched.

A special Evensong liturgy will be offed in Dennis' memory at Saint Mark's Episcopal Cathedral in Seattle at 5 pm on Friday, May 23 (1245 10th Avenue, Seattle); and a memorial liturgy at St. Barnabas Episcopal Church at 3 pm on Sunday, May 25 (1187 Wyatt Way NW, Bainbridge Island). Arrangements have been made by Cook Family Funeral Home of Bainbridge Island.

Donations in Dennis's memory may be made to Saint Mark's Episcopal Cathedral, Seattle, or to St Barnabas Episcopal Church, Bainbridge Island. ♦



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