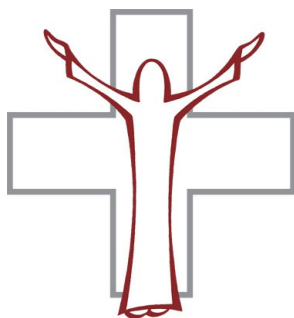


# FUNERAL SERVICE

*Precious in the sight  
of the Lord is the death  
of His saints.*

*Psalm 116:15*

TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH, MENASHA, WI  
FUNERAL SERVICE FOR TERRY WRAY  
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2023



## A SERVICE OF CHRISTIAN BURIAL

*Stand*

### INVOCATION

*The sign of the cross ✙ may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.*

**P** In the name of the Father and of the ✙ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

*Matthew 28:19b; [18:20]*

### REMEMBRANCE OF BAPTISM

**P** In Holy Baptism Terry Wray was clothed with the robe of Christ's righteousness that covered all his sin. St. Paul says, "Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into His death?"

**C** We were buried therefore with Him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life. For if we have been united with Him in a death like His, we shall certainly be united with Him in a resurrection like His.

*Romans 6:3-5*

### INTROIT

*Psalm 116:15-19; antiphon v. 17*

**P** I will offer to you the sacrifice of thanksgiving  
and call on the name of the LORD.

**P** Precious in the sight of the LORD  
is the death of his saints.

**C** O LORD, I am your servant; I am your servant, the son of your maidservant.  
You have loosed my bonds.

**P** I will offer to you the sacrifice of thanksgiving  
and call on the name of the LORD.

**C** I will pay my vows to the LORD  
in the presence of all his people,

**P** in the courts of the house of the LORD, in your midst, O Jerusalem.  
Praise the LORD!

**ALL** Glory be to the Father and to the Son  
and to the Holy Spirit;  
as it was in the beginning,  
is now, and will be forever. Amen.

**P** I will offer to you the sacrifice of thanksgiving  
and call on the name of the LORD.

*Sit*

## SONG ~ Footprints in the Sand

J. Buckner, G. Garcia

*Stand*

## KYRIE

Mark 10:47

**P** Lord, have mercy upon us.

**C** Christ, have mercy upon us.  
Lord, have mercy upon us.

## SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

**P** The Lord be with you.

2 Timothy 4:22

**C** And also with you.

**P** Let us pray.

O God of grace and mercy, we give thanks for Your loving-kindness shown to Terry Wray and to all Your servants who, having finished their course in faith, now rest from their labors. Grant that we also may be faithful unto death and receive the crown of eternal life, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

*Sit*

## SONG ~ The Old Rugged Cross

G. Bennard

### OLD TESTAMENT ~ *Psalms 91*

<sup>1</sup> He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High will abide in the shadow of the Almighty. <sup>2</sup> I will say to the LORD, “My refuge and my fortress, my God, in whom I trust.”

<sup>3</sup> For he will deliver you from the snare of the fowler and from the deadly pestilence. <sup>4</sup> He will cover you with his pinions, and under his wings you will find refuge; his faithfulness is a shield and buckler. <sup>5</sup> You will not fear the terror of the night, nor the arrow that flies by day, <sup>6</sup> nor the pestilence that stalks in darkness, nor the destruction that wastes at noonday.

<sup>7</sup> A thousand may fall at your side, ten thousand at your right hand, but it will not come near you. <sup>8</sup> You will only look with your eyes and see the recompense of the wicked.

<sup>9</sup> Because you have made the LORD your dwelling place—the Most High, who is my refuge—<sup>10</sup> no evil shall be allowed to befall you, no plague come near your tent.

<sup>11</sup> For he will command his angels concerning you to guard you in all your ways. <sup>12</sup> On their hands they will bear you up, lest you strike your foot against a stone. <sup>13</sup> You will tread on the lion and the adder; the young lion and the serpent you will trample underfoot.

<sup>14</sup> “Because he holds fast to me in love, I will deliver him; I will protect him, because he knows my name. <sup>15</sup> When he calls to me, I will answer him; I will be with him in trouble; I will rescue him and honor him. <sup>16</sup> With long life I will satisfy him and show him my salvation.”

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## SONG ~ My Savior

D. Besig

### EPISTLE ~ *Romans 8:31-39*

<sup>31</sup> What then shall we say to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us? <sup>32</sup> He who did not spare his own Son but gave him up for us all, how will he not also with him graciously give us all things? <sup>33</sup> Who shall bring any charge against God’s elect? It is God who justifies. <sup>34</sup> Who is to condemn? Christ Jesus is the one who died—more than that, who was raised—who is at the right hand of God, who indeed is interceding for us. <sup>35</sup> Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or danger, or sword? <sup>36</sup> As it is written, “For your sake we are being killed all the day long; we are regarded as sheep to be slaughtered.”

<sup>37</sup> No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. <sup>38</sup> For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, <sup>39</sup> nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## SONG ~ Be Strong in the Lord

T. Fettke

*Stand*

### VERSE

**P** Alleluia, alleluia.

Jesus Christ is the firstborn of the dead;

**C** to Him be glory and power forever.

Alleluia.

[Revelation 1:5-6]

### HOLY GOSPEL ~ *St. John 5:24-29*

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the fifth chapter.

**C** Glory to You, O Lord.

<sup>24</sup> Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever hears my word and believes him who sent me has eternal life. He does not come into judgment, but has passed from death to life.

<sup>25</sup> “Truly, truly, I say to you, an hour is coming, and is now here, when the dead will hear the voice of the Son of God, and those who hear will live. <sup>26</sup> For as the Father has life in himself, so he has granted the Son also to have life in himself. <sup>27</sup> And he has given him authority to execute judgment, because he is the Son of Man. <sup>28</sup> Do not marvel at this, for an hour is coming when all who are in the tombs will hear his voice <sup>29</sup> and come out, those who have done good to the resurrection of life, and those who have done evil to the resurrection of judgment.”

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C** Praise to You, O Christ.

## APOSTLES' CREED

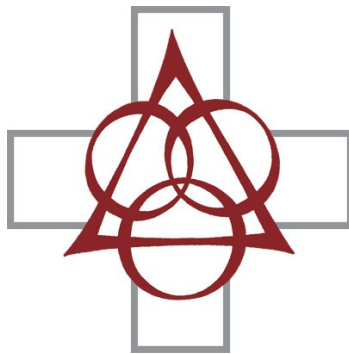
**P** God has made us His people through our Baptism into Christ. Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith.

**C** I believe in God, the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died and was buried.  
He descended into hell.  
The third day He rose again from the dead.  
He ascended into heaven  
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.  
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

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

*Sit*



# HYMN ~ On Eagles' Wings

727



Choir 1 You who dwell in the shel-ter of the Lord, Who a -  
 Choir 2 snare of the fowl - er will nev - er cap-ture you, And  
 Choir 3 You need not fear the ter - ror of the night, Nor the  
 Choir 4 For to His an - gels He's giv - en a com-mand To



bide in His shad - ow for life,  
 fam - ine will bring you no fear;  
 ar - row that flies by day; Though  
 guard you in all of your ways; Up -



Say to the Lord: "My ref - uge, My  
 Un - der His wings your ref - uge, His  
 thou - sands fall a - bout you,  
 on their hands they will bear you up, Lest you



rock in whom I trust!"  
 faith - ful - ness your shield.  
 Near you it shall not come.  
 dash your foot a - gainst a stone.

## Refrain



All And He will raise you up on ea - gles' wings,



Bear you on the breath of dawn, Make you to shine like the



sun, And hold you in the palm of His hand. 2 The

HYMN ~ Great Is Thy Faithfulness

809



1 Great is Thy faith - ful - ness, O God my Fa - ther;  
 2 Sum - mer and win - ter and spring - time and har - vest,  
 3 Par - don for sin and a peace that en - dur - eth,

There is no shad - ow of turn - ing with Thee.  
 Sun, moon, and stars in their cours - es a - bove  
 Thine own dear pres - ence to cheer and to guide;

Thou chang - est not: Thy com - pas - sions, they fail not;  
 Join with all na - ture in man - i - fold wit - ness  
 Strength for to - day and bright hope for to - mor - row,

As Thou hast been, Thou for - ev - er wilt be.  
 To Thy great faith - ful - ness, mer - cy, and love.  
 Bless - ings all mine, with ten thou - sand be - side!



*Refrain*

Great is Thy faith-ful-ness! Great is Thy faith-ful-ness!

Morn-ing by morn-ing new mer-cies I see;

All I have need-ed Thy hand hath pro-vid-ed;

Great is Thy faith-ful-ness, Lord, un-to me!

## PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

[1 Timothy 2:1-4]

- P** Let us pray to the Lord, our God and Father, who raised Jesus from the dead.
- P** Almighty God, You have knit Your chosen people together into one communion in the mystical body of Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. Give to Your whole Church in heaven and on earth Your light and peace. Lord, in Your mercy,  
**C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Grant that all who have been baptized into Christ's death and resurrection may die to sin and rise to newness of life and so pass with Him through the gate of death and the grave to our joyful resurrection. Lord, in Your mercy,  
**C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Grant that all who have been nourished by the holy body and blood of Your Son may be raised to immortality and incorruption to be seated with Him at Your heavenly banquet. Lord, in Your mercy,  
**C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Give to the family of Terry Wray and to all who mourn comfort in their grief and a sure confidence in Your loving care that, casting all their sorrow on You, they may know the consolation of Your love. Lord, in Your mercy,  
**C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Give courage and faith to the bereaved, that within the communion of Your Church they may have strength to meet the days ahead in the assurance of a holy and certain hope and in the joyful expectation of eternal life with those they love who have departed in the faith. Lord, in Your mercy,  
**C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Receive our thanks for Terry and for all the blessings You bestowed on him in this earthly life. Bring us at last to our heavenly home that with him we may see You face to face in the joys of paradise. Lord, in Your mercy,  
**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** O God of all grace, You sent Your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, to bring life and immortality to light. We give You thanks that by His death He destroyed the power of death and by His resurrection He opened the kingdom of heaven to all believers. Strengthen us in the confidence that because He lives we shall live also, and that neither death nor life nor things present nor things to come will be able to separate us from Your love, which is in Christ Jesus, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

## LORD'S PRAYER

*Matthew 6:9-13*

**P** Taught by our Lord and trusting His promises, we are bold to pray:

**C** 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 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 forever and ever.  
Amen.

## NUNC DIMITTIS

**P** "I am the resurrection and the life," says the Lord. "He who believes in Me will live, even though he dies; and whoever lives and believes in Me will never die."

*John 11:25-26*

**C** Lord, now You let Your servant go in peace;  
Your word has been fulfilled.  
My own eyes have seen the salvation  
which You have prepared in the sight of every people:  
a light to reveal You to the nations  
and the glory of Your people Israel.

*Luke 2:29-32*

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

**P** "I am the resurrection and the life," says the Lord. "He who believes in Me will live, even though he dies; and whoever lives and believes in Me will never die."

*John 11:25-26*

## CONCLUDING COLLECT

**P** The Lord be with you.

*2 Timothy 4:22*

**C** And also with you.

**P** Let us pray.

Lord God, our shepherd, You gather the lambs of Your flock into the arms of Your mercy and bring them home. Comfort us with the certain hope of the resurrection to everlasting life and a joyful reunion with those we love who have died in the faith; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

## BENEDICAMUS AND BENEDICTION

**P** Let us bless the Lord.

*[Psalm 103:1]*

**C** Thanks be to God.

**P** The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.

The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and ✠ give you peace.

**C** Amen.

✠ *Soli Deo Gloria* ✠

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1 A - maz - ing grace— how sweet the sound— That  
 2 The Lord has prom - ised good to me, His  
 3 Through man - y dan - gers, toils, and snares I  
 4 Yes, when this flesh and heart shall fail And  
 5 When we've been there ten thou - sand years, Bright

saved a wretch like me! I once was lost but  
 Word my hope se - cures; He will my shield and  
 have al - read - y come; His grace has brought me  
 mor - tal life shall cease, A - maz - ing grace shall  
 shin - ing as the sun, We've no less days to

now am found, Was blind but now I see!  
 por - tion be As long as life en - dures.  
 safe thus far, His grace will lead me home.  
 then pre - vail In heav - en's joy and peace.  
 sing God's praise Than when we'd first be - gun.

## PARTICIPATING IN THE SERVICE

Officiant  
Assisting Minister

*Rev. Steven S. Billings*  
*Rev Keith E. GeRue*

Organist  
Singers

*Mrs. Nancy Lephart*  
*Trinity Lutheran Church Choir*  
*Mr. Bruce Buksyk*  
*Mr. Ken Kamprath*  
*Mrs. Elizabeth Kamprath*  
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*Mr. Michael Stapleton*

Elders on Duty

*Mr. Robert Allen*  
*Mr. Bruce Gast*  
*Mr. Craig Thomas*  
*Mr. Roger Voigt*



Terry Gale Wray, age 67, passed away on Thursday, October 12, 2023.

He was born on October 10, 1956 in Hutchinson, KS, the son of the late Gerald and Bessie Wray. He married Sheryl Wray (Dahlke) on August 7, 1982. Terry was a 1974 graduate of Hutchinson Sr. High School and served 4 years in the U.S. Navy, including time on the U.S.S. Forrestal. After his time in the Navy, he spent his career in the printing industry, retiring from Custom Printing.

Terry was an active member of Trinity Lutheran Church in Menasha and was involved in our choir, dinner theater, helped with our sound systems, and served on many boards and committees. He was very active with the Boy Scouts of America, serving as a leader for both Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts for many years. Terry was also a coach for his son's baseball teams, participated in Sing Out Reno County & People International Incorporated.

Terry enjoyed World of Outlaws Sprint Car racing, puzzles, and bringing joy to children as one of Santa's many helpers.

He is survived by his wife, Sheryl and three sons, Tim (Teresa) Wray of South Bend, IN, Chris (Jenn) Wray of Sheboygan, and Joe (Chelsea) Wray of Burkburnett, TX; six grandchildren – Skyler Knisely, Tegan Wray, Parker Wray, Allison Wray, Madelyn Wray & Mackenzie Bolado.

He is further survived by many brothers & sisters-in-law, nieces, nephews and cousins.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Gerald & Bessie Wray, step-father Johnny Friesen, half-sister Betty Killian, and half-brother Larry Conley.

Terry is and will be missed by all who knew and loved him.