ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH



June 28th, 2017 Funeral Service of George Kozak



"I am the resurrection and the life."

Processional Hymn - I Know That My Redeemer Lives

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Invocation

- ightharpoonup In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- Amen.

Remembrance of Baptism

- In Holy Baptism George 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?"
- 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.

Kyrie

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

Salutation and Collect of the Day

- P The Lord be with you.
- **G** And also with you.
- **P** Let us pray.
 - O God of grace and mercy, we give thanks for Your loving-kindness shown to George 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.

Old Testament Reading

Job 19:21-27

Have mercy on me, have mercy on me, O you my friends, for the hand of God has touched me!

Why do you, like God, pursue me?

Why are you not satisfied with my flesh?

"Oh that my words were written!

Oh that they were inscribed in a book!

Oh that with an iron pen and lead they were engraved in the rock forever!

For I know that my Redeemer lives, and at the last he will stand upon the earth.

And after my skin has been thus destroyed, yet in my flesh I shall see God, whom I shall see for myself, and my eyes shall behold, and not another.

My heart faints within me!"

- **P** This is the Word of the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

How Great Thou Art - Solo

Epistle Reading

Romans 8:31-39

What then shall we say to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us? 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? Who shall bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. 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. Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or danger, or sword? As it is written,

"For your sake we are being killed all the day long; we are regarded as sheep to be slaughtered."

No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, 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.
- Thanks be to God.
- P Alleluia, alleluia
 Jesus Christ is the firstborn of the dead;
- to Him be glory and power forever. Alleluia.

Holy Gospel Matthew 6:6-14

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the sixth chapter.

G Glory to You, O Lord.

But when you pray, go into your room and shut the door and pray to your Father who is in secret. And your Father who sees in secret will reward you.

"And when you pray, do not heap up empty phrases as the Gentiles do, for they think that they will be heard for their many words. Do not be like them, for your Father knows what you need before you ask him. Pray then like this:

"Our Father in heaven,

hallowed be your name.

Your kingdom come,

your will be done,

on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread,

and forgive us our debts,

as we also have forgiven our debtors.

And lead us not into temptation,

but deliver us from evil.

For if you forgive others their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you

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

Hymn – Children of the Heavenly Father

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Sermon

Lord's Prayer

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

Prayer of the Church

- Let us pray to the Lord, our God and Father, who raised Jesus from the dead.
- **P** ... 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.

Nunc Dimittis

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Concluding Collect

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **G** And also with you.
- 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.
- **G** Amen.

Benedicamus and Benediction

- **P** Let us bless the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.
- 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.
- Amen.
- P Let us go forth in peace,
- in the name of the Lord. Amen.

Recessional Hymn- Amazing Grace

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Service Participants

Pastor: Rev. Edward Grimenstein

The Organist: Sandra Quinlan

Kozak George E.

Age 86, of Washington, PA, on June 23, 2017. Beloved husband of Jane (Oelschlager) Kozak; son of late George and Kathryn (Wallack) Kozak; loving father of Linda (Geoff) Butia, Mike Kozak, Brenda (Joe) Harris, Alan (Sharon) Kozak and Aaron Kozak; brother of the late Bernard Kozak and Mary Mastrangelo; cherished grandfather of Geoff (Kristin) and Michael (Jaclyn) Butia, Nick and Zack Harris and Courtney and Brandon Kozak; and great-grandfather of Henry, Giuliana, Ella and Ava Butia; also survived by many nieces and nephews. George was a steel worker and a dairy farmer. Her served with the U.S. Army as a military police officer during the Korean War. He enjoyed hunting and gardening, Memorials may be made to Zion, Concordia Hospice of Washington or the charity of your choice.

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