

The Celebration of the Life
and Resurrection of
Duaine Franklin “Tim” Thieme



First Lutheran Church
BOTHELL

FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH

STATEMENT OF WELCOME

We, the community of First Lutheran Church of Bothell, proclaim the message that the grace of our Lord is infinitely inclusive and that everyone is welcome. We believe that Christ calls us to reconciliation and wholeness in a world of alienation and brokenness.

As a Reconciling in Christ congregation and as disciples of Christ seeking justice and reconciliation among all peoples, we at First Lutheran Church welcome all into the fullness of God's love. **We welcome everyone, without exception and regardless of sex, race, ethnicity, sexual orientation, gender identity, physical and mental ability, age, or station in life.** We recognize that each person is a unique creation of God, and through grace, a child of God.

All are welcome at First Lutheran.

All are welcome to worship, to hear the Good News, to receive the sacraments, and to share in fellowship and service. As members of First Lutheran Church, we pledge ourselves and our congregation to exercise our faith in Christ, treasuring one another's similarities while embracing our God-given differences. We pledge that we will strive to live as a reconciling people, in our life together and in our outreach to the world.

Assisting with Today's Service:

Presiding Pastor:	Rev. Tor K. Berg
Organ / Piano:	Lucy Kay Osborne
Soloist:	Richard Edmonds
Funeral Coordinator:	Donna Hillard
Sound Tech:	Ann Bormann
Camera Tech:	David Osborne
Usher:	Dan Bormann
Reception Coordinators:	Paula Glandon & Mary Hatlen

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PRELUDE:

GATHERING

WELCOME

INTRODUCTION

Welcome in the name of Jesus, the Savior of the world. We are gathered to worship, to proclaim Christ crucified and risen, to remember before God our sibling in faith, Tim, to give thanks for his life, to commend him to our merciful redeemer, and to comfort one another in our grief.

GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
And also with you.

GATHERING HYMN: *Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound (ELW 779)*



1 A - maz - ing grace!— how sweet the sound— that
2 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and
3 Through man - y dan - gers, toils, and snares I
4 The Lord has prom - ised good to me; his
5 When we've been there ten thou - sand years, bright



saved a wretch like me! I once was lost, but
grace my fears re - lieved; how pre - cious did that
have al - read - y come; 'tis grace has brought me
word my hope se - cures; he will my shield and
shin - ing as the sun, we've no less days to



now am found; was blind, but now I see.
grace ap - pear the hour I first be - lieved!
safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.
por - tion be as long as life en - dures.
sing God's praise than when we'd first be - gun.

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

All who are baptized into Christ have put on Christ. In his baptism, Tim was clothed with Christ. In the day of Christ's coming, he shall be clothed with glory.

Eternal God, maker of heaven and earth, who formed us from the dust of the earth, who by your breath gave us life, Jesus Christ, the resurrection, and the life, who suffered death for all humanity, who rose from the grave to open the way to eternal life, we praise you. Holy Spirit, author and giver of life, the comforter of all who sorrow, our sure confidence and everlasting hope: **We glorify you. We praise you. We worship you.**

To you, O blessed Trinity, be glory and honor, forever and ever.
Amen.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

O God of grace and glory, we remember before you today our brother Tim. We thank you for giving him to us to know and to love as a companion in our pilgrimage on earth. In your boundless compassion, console us who mourn. Give us faith to see that death has been swallowed up in the victory of our Lord Jesus Christ, so that we may live in confidence and hope until, by your call, we are gathered to our heavenly home in the company of all your saints; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Ame

TIME OF REMEMBRANCE: *Valerie Demos (sister), Marge Kasper (sister-in-law), Linda Ryall (daughter)*

ANTHEM: *You Are Mine (Richard Edmonds, Soloist)*

Readers: Grandchildren, Amber Van Brunt & Cameron Ryall with Brittany Ells, Kaila Van Brunt & Colin Ryall

FIRST READING: Lamentations 3:22-26,31-33

²²The steadfast love of the LORD never ceases,
his mercies never come to an end;

²³they are new every morning;
great is your faithfulness.

²⁴"The LORD is my portion," says my soul,
"therefore I will hope in him."

²⁵The LORD is good to those who wait for him,
to the soul that seeks him.

²⁶It is good that one should wait quietly
for the salvation of the LORD.

³¹For the LORD will not
reject forever.

³²Although he causes grief, he will have compassion
according to the abundance of his steadfast love;

³³for he does not willingly afflict
or grieve anyone.

PSALM: Psalm 121

¹I lift up my eyes to the hills –
from where will my help come?

²My help comes from the LORD,
who made heaven and earth.

³He will not let your foot be moved;
he who keeps you will not slumber.

⁴He who keeps Israel
will neither slumber nor sleep.

⁵The LORD is your keeper;
the LORD is your shade at your right hand.

⁶The sun shall not strike you by day,
nor the moon by night.

⁷The LORD will keep you from all evil;
he will keep your life.

⁸The LORD will keep
your going out and your coming in
from this time on and forevermore.

SECOND READING: Romans 8:35,37-39

³⁵Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will hardship, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? ³⁷No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. ³⁸For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, ³⁹nor 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.

FINAL READING: 1 Thessalonians 4:14-17

¹⁴For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have died. ¹⁵For this we declare to you by the word of the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will by no means precede those who have died. ¹⁶For the Lord himself, with a cry of command, with the archangel's call and with the sound of God's trumpet, will descend from heaven, and the dead in Christ will rise first. ¹⁷Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up in the clouds together with them to meet the Lord in the air; and so we will be with the Lord forever.

SERMON

ANTHEM: *On Eagle's Wings* (Richard Edmonds, Soloist)

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come 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.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Let us pray.

Almighty God, in holy baptism you have knit your chosen people together into one communion of saints in the body of Christ. Give to your whole church in heaven and on earth your light and your peace. God of mercy,
hear our prayer.

Grant that all who have been baptized into Christ's death and resurrection may die to sin and rise to share the new life in Christ. God of mercy,
hear our prayer.

Give courage and faith to all who mourn, and a sure and certain hope in your loving care, that, casting all their sorrow on you, they may have strength for the days ahead. God of mercy,
hear our prayer.

Grant to us who are still in our pilgrimage, and who walk as yet by faith, that, where this world groans in grief and pain, your Holy Spirit may lead us to bear witness to your light and life. God of mercy,
hear our prayer.

Help us, in the midst of things we cannot understand, to believe and trust in the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, and the resurrection to life everlasting. God of mercy,
hear our prayer.

God of all grace, we give you thanks because by his death our Savior Jesus Christ destroyed the power of death and by his resurrection he opened the kingdom of heaven to all believers. Make us certain 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 in Christ Jesus our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done, on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.

COMMENDATION

Let us commend Tim to the mercy of God, our maker and redeemer.

Silence is held.

Into your hands, O merciful Savior, we commend your servant Tim.
Acknowledge, we humbly beseech you, a sheep of your own fold, a lamb of
your own flock, a sinner of your own redeeming. Receive him into the arms of
your mercy, into the blessed rest of everlasting peace, and into the glorious
company of the saints in light.

Amen.

BLESSING

May the silence of the hills,
the joy of the winds,
the peace of the fields,
the music of the birds,
the fire of the sun,
the strength of the trees,
and the faith of a little child,
in all of which is God,
go with you and be with you today and always. Amen

SENDING HYMN: *God Be with You till We Meet Again (ELW 536)*



- 1 God be with you till we meet a - gain; by good coun-sels guide, up - hold you,
- 2 God be with you till we meet a - gain; ho - ly wings se - cure - ly hide you,
- 3 God be with you till we meet a - gain; when life's per - ils thick con - found you,



with a shep-herd's care en - fold you;
dai - ly man - na still pro - vide you; God be with you till we meet a - gain.
put un - fail - ing arms a - round you;

Refrain



Till we meet, till we meet, till we meet at Je - sus' feet;



till we meet, till we meet, God be with you till we meet a - gain.

POSTLUDE:

Memorial donations may be made in Tim's name to the First Lutheran Church Endowment Fund; The Shriner's Children's Hospital online or mail to 911 W. 5th Ave., Spokane, WA 99204; or Disabled American Veterans online or mail to P.O. Box 14301, Cincinnati, OH 45250-0301.

Duaine Franklin "Tim" Thieme, 87, of Redmond, WA, passed away on March 3, 2024. He was born on February 12, 1937, in Colby, WI. Tim, a devoted husband, father, and grandfather, is survived by his wife of nearly 62 years, Barbara, his daughters Terri (John) and Linda, and his grandchildren Brittany, Amber, Kaila, Cameron, and Colin. He was preceded in death by his brothers Jerome and Giles, and his daughter Keira. Tim was a giant of a man in every sense. He was firm, fair, fun, and a friend to all. Most of all he was loving, and he will be missed.

Tim proudly served in the United States Air Force for 22 years, followed by a 25-year career in telecommunications with Seattle-area Safeco Insurance. A man of faith, he worshiped at First Lutheran Church in Bothell, WA.

Remembering Grandpa

“There is scarcely a way to put into words what a gift it was to have this incredible soul in my life. I’ve seen many comments calling him “a giant of a man”... but it’s not because he was the tallest of us. It’s because he lived well, in the truest sense... and in doing so he lit up a path for his children and grandchildren that will reach far beyond his earthly time. Our hearts are utterly broken, but only because they were so full. And while we could never have been ready to say goodbye, there is so very much we get to take with us. Thanks to his example, we have all been made better.” - Brittany



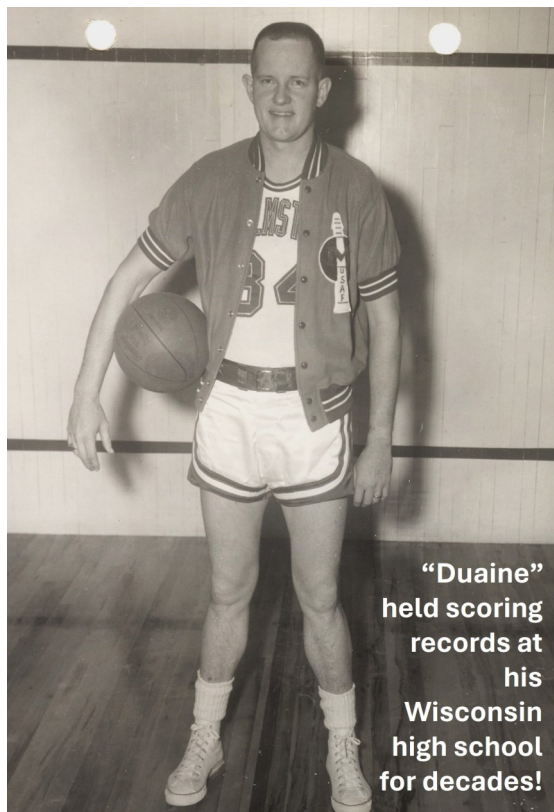
“I will forever be grateful for the grandpa who taught me to play cards, showed up to many sports games, and served as a funny and loving reminder of what it is to be a family man.” - Amber

“Grief and love are conjoined; you don’t get one without the other.” - Jandy Nelson, “The Sky is Everywhere” (from Kaila)

“While a man of few words, those he did say were things I will carry with me for the rest of my life. I have countless good memories with my grandpa, and there are many moments to come in my life where I will stop and think of

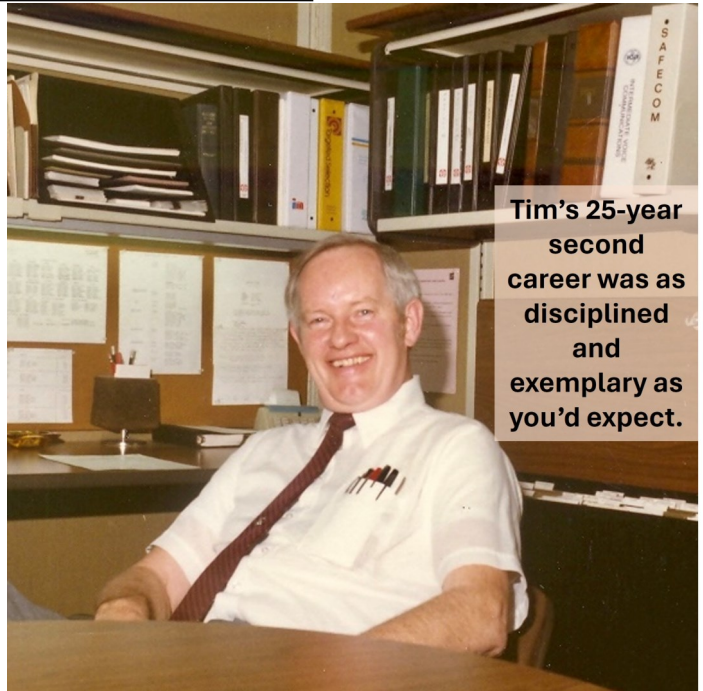
him. Putting sugar on my cereal, rectangle crackers with cheese, rolling truffles in the office at my grandparent's house. It's those little moments that survive forever in your memory ... There was not a single member of this family that ever doubted his love for them. I felt it every time I looked to the sideline of my soccer games, and I would see him there, rain or shine, without a doubt. He was a true pillar of our family. - Cami

"My grandpa was a great man and inspired everyone he knew. When I was little, I spent a lot of time at my grandparents' house when my mom was working. Small things like eating strawberries and whip cream or watching the Mariners play come to mind as some of my favorite experiences with grandpa, simply because of how nice of a person he was to talk to. It always seemed like he was interested in whatever I was talking about and truly wanted to know, even though I was maybe 4 years old or less and 9/10 times probably speaking gibberish. I'll miss the little things I got to do with my grandpa, and I'll carry the things I've learned from him through the rest of my life. " - Colin





Hardworking from the start, Tim promoted to the top enlisted rank, Chief Master Sergeant, faster and sooner than most in the country at the time.



Tim's 25-year second career was as disciplined and exemplary as you'd expect.



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