

# MEMORIALS – ORDAINED & COMMISSIONED

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**THE REV. Adolf M. Bickel** – was born in Birch Run, MI on July 14, 1920. He graduated from Concordia Seminary, St. Louis in 1945 and was Ordained on 1/17/1945. The ministries/parishes he served from 1945 – 1979 include Faith, Grande Prairie, Alberta (1945-49); Emmaus, Sexsmith, Alberta, (1945-49); St. Stephen, Shelby, MI (1949-56); Faith, Hart, MI 1949-56); St. John, Kilmanagh, MI (1956-65); and St. John, Napoleon, OH (1965-78). He retired in April 1979.

District Offices he served include: Counselor, (1952-1956); Ohio District Mission Board (2 years)

He was married to Irene E. Bickel (Deceased 11/27/99). He was survived by his sons James, Brian, Kenneth and a daughter Sharon. His father was Rev. Fred Bickel and mother was Lydia (Hetzner) Bickel.

**He was called to his eternal rest on 2/25/07. His funeral took place in Napoleon, OH.**

**The Lord is my Shepherd.**

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**THE REV. Kurt A. Bickel** – was born in Bay City, MI on 12/30/1926. He graduated from Concordia Seminary, St. Louis, MO in 1953 and was ordained at St. John's Lutheran Church in Amelith on 8/1/1953. He served at Grande Prairie, Alberta; Prince Albert, Saskatchewan; and came to Redeemer Lutheran Church, Convoy, OH in 1970. He retired from Redeemer, Convoy in 1992. He then served as interim pastor at St. Thomas Lutheran Church, Harrison Twp. and other area churches.

He is survived by his wife, Betty Bickel and daughters Karen (Bickel) Neuendorf, JoAnn (Bickel) Zieroth, Laura (Bickel) Cavendish and Theresa (Bickel) Gravis and his son **Grant Bickel**.

**He was called to his eternal rest on 4/4/09.**

**I will give you what I have promised--Praise the Lord!**

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**THE REV. Harold H. Bode** – was born in Garfield Heights, OH on 11/8/1935. He graduated from Concordia Seminary, Springfield, IL in 1963 and was Ordained on 3/31/1963. The Congregations/Ministry he served include Zion, Oconto, WI (1963-65); St. John, Gillett, WI (1963-65); Immanuel, Toledo, OH (1968-75); St. Matthew, Cleveland, OH (1975-80); Trinity, Parson, KS (1980-84); Trinity, Bronx, NY (1984-88); and Good Shepherd, Brooklyn, NY (1988-99) until his retirement on 12/31/1999. After his retirement he also served as Vacancy Pastor at St. Paul, Cleveland, OH (2000-present).

He was survived by his wife Ruth Bode, and sons, Karl and John and daughter, Rebecca Lake.

**He was called to his eternal rest on 9/26/08**

**...and ye shall receive a crown of life.**

**THE REV. Donald W. Heino** – was born in Ashtabula, OH on 6/8/1931. He graduated from Concordia Seminary, Springfield, IL in 1961 and was Ordained on 1/1/1961. The Congregations, Ministry he served include Redeemer/Christ, Gethsemane, Menahga, Wolf Lake & Snellman, NE (1961-64); St. Peter/Emmanuel, Moose Lake/Barnum, MN (1965-74); and Peace, Chardon, OH (1974-8/2005). He retired in September, 2005. He did community work in Kiwanis, and Sheriff Department.

He was survived by his wife Marilyn Heino (nee-Uitto), and sons Jack, Michael, Matthew and daughter Rebecca. A second daughter Lynn was deceased in infancy.

**He was called to his eternal rest on 11/25/08**

**I know that my Redeemer lives.**

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**THE REV. Herman Albert Mann** – was born in Canon City, CO on 3/13/1928. He graduated from Concordia Seminary, St. Louis, MO, in 1954 and was Ordained on 9/19/1954. The Congregation/ Ministry he served include Faith, The Dalles, OR, (1954-56); Lindsay Lutheran & Trinity Lutheran, Lindsay & Exeter, CA (1956-59), Calvary, Plymouth, IN, (1959-66); St. Mark, Milford, OH, (1966-76); and St. James, Archbold, OH, (1976-90). He retired in April, 1990.

Services beyond the Congregation:

District Office: Convention Committee

Auxiliaries: Circuit Sunday School Advisor; LWML District and Zone Counselor

Community: March of Dimes Fund Raising Chair; Marshall Co., Home Chaplain

He was survived by his wife Carol Mann (nee-Synder) and daughters Martha, Jane, Lori and son David.

**He was called to his eternal rest on 6/13/07**

**Well done, thou good and faithful servant.**

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**THE REV. Walter H. Niermann** – was born in Overland, MO on 7/2/1927. He graduated from Concordia Seminary, St. Louis, MO, in 1952 and was Ordained on 6/2/1952. The Congregation/ Ministry he served include Grace, Blairstown, IA (1952-57); Our Redeemer, Iowa City, IA (1957-84); and St. Paul, Amherst, OH, (1984-92). He retired on 7/20/1992.

District Offices include: Youth Pastoral Advisor, 1954-62; Board of Directors, 1962-76; District Secretary, 1976-84; Parliamentarian for various District Conventions.

His wife, Elvira Niermann (nee Ziegelbein) was deceased at time of his death. He was survived by sons David, Thomas, (Rev. Stephen - Pastor at St. John, Napoleon), and daughters Deborah, Pamela and Elizabeth. Elizabeth is a Commissioned Deaconess.

**He was called to his eternal rest on 2/22/08**

**I have called you by name; you are mine.**

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**THE REV. Paul R. Oberhaus** – was born in Holgate, OH on 9/18/1941. He graduated from Concordia Theological Seminary, Fort Wayne, IN, in 1995 and was Ordained on 8/27/1995. The Congregation/ Ministry he served include Shepherd of the Ridge, North Ridgeville, OH, (1995-2008) until he passed away.

He was survived by his wife, Sharon Oberhaus (nee Carr) and sons, Brian, Phillip and daughters Angela and Susan.

**He was called to his eternal rest on 3/7/08**

**I will go and prepare a place for you.**

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**DEACONESS Carla L. Olbeter** – was born in New Kensington, PA on 9/20/1957. She was a 1975 graduate of Burrell High School, PA and worked at Allegheny Valley Hospital for eight years as a dietary aide. She later received her bachelor's degree from Concordia Lutheran College in River Forest, IL. and her master's degree from St. Joseph College in Cincinnati, OH. She served as a deaconess and chaplain at Drake Center Hospital, Cincinnati. She was a member of St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church New Kensington, PA and enjoyed reading, fishing, spending time at camp and serving the Lord.

She was survived by her mother Rosann M. Olbeter (nee-Uncapher), brothers Herbert, Jr. and William and sisters Karen Zemba, Beverly Eckert, and Debbie Smith. She was preceded in death by her father, Herbert R. Olbeter, Sr. and her sister Jeannie Marie.

**She went to be with her Lord on Feb. 26, 2009 in Kittanning Care Center**

**...and she shall dwell in the house of the Lord forever.**

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**THE REV. Kevin Paul Popp** – was born in Cape Girardeau, MO on 12/25/1955. He graduated from Concordia Seminary, St. Louis, MO, in 1981 and was Ordained on 8/2/1981. The Congregation/ Ministry he served include St. Paul, Concordia, MO (1981-84); Trinity, Ottumwa, IA, (1984-93); St. John, Champaign, IL, (1993-97); Ev. Lutheran of Our Redeemer, Overland, MO, (1993-2000); Hope, (vacancy) St. Louis, MO (2001); Holy Cross, (Interim) St. Louis, MO, 2001-2003; and St. Paul, Cincinnati, OH (2003-9/25/2007).

District Offices include: Chairman of the Board of Education IDE (1991-93)  
Community: Ottumwa Ministerial Fellowship (various offices) (1984-93)

He was survived by his wife, Karen Popp (nee-Medhus), sons, Martin, Nathan, Andrew, and daughters Heidi and Lydia.

**He was called to his eternal rest on 9/26/07**

**Blessed are they who die in the Lord.**

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**THE REV. David K. Reimann** – was born in Midland, MI on 8/1/1956. He graduated from Concordia Seminary, St. Louis, MO in 1983 and was Ordained on 7/17/1983. The Congregation/ Ministry he served include St. Mark, Cleveland, OH (1983-90); and St. John, Dublin, OH (3/4/1990-1/14/2008).

District Offices include: Board of Directors, Board of Youth Services 1985-97 (Chair. 1988-97)  
Synod: Conference of Congregational Services (1992-98)

He was survived by his wife, Mary Jo Reimann (nee-Luedtke), and children Kimberly, Taralyn, Timothy and Malia, and by his mother Irene Reimann.

**He was called to his eternal rest on 1/15/08**

**Well done, thou good and faithful servant.**

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**THE REV. Hubert W. Riedel** – was born in Winnipeg, Canada on 8/29/1926. He graduated from Concordia Seminary, St. Louis, MO in 1971 and also went to Divinity School of the University of Chicago and Ohio State (1950-1955). He was Ordained on 9/1/1952. The Congregation/ Ministry he served include Concordia, Columbus, OH, (1952-55); St. Stephen, Milwaukee, WI, (1955-60); and St. John, Garfield Heights, OH (1960-88).  
He retired on 10/1/1988.

District Offices include: Circuit Counselor (1966-73); District Rep. Concordia Seminary (1965-73).  
Auxiliaries offices include: Circuit LWML Counselor.  
Community offices include: President Gr. Cleveland Federation of Lutheran Churches; Lutheran Medical Center Board; Institutional Review Board, Marymount Hospital.

He was survived by daughters Pamela, Gail, Paula and Andrea. His wife, Rose Marie H. Riedel (nee-von Keller) was deceased.

**He was called to his eternal rest on 2/22/09**

**I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.**

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**THE REV. Erik John Vincent** – was born in Kivannapa, Finland on 6/23/1929. He graduated from Concordia Theological Seminary, Springfield, IL in 1955 and was Ordained on 1/1/1955. The Congregation/Ministry he served include St. Matthew & St. Mark, Brantwood &, Ogema, WI, (1955-57); Trinity, Chelsea & Medford, WI, (1956-57); Zion, Marquette, MI (1957-58); Zion, Chatham, MI, (1957-61); Bethel & Lappe Lutheran, Port Arthur & Lappe, Ontario, (1961-65); and Immanuel, Fairport Harbor, OH, (1970-85). He retired in 1985.

Services beyond the Congregation:  
Synod offices: National Evangelical Lutheran Church, Secretary of the National Luther League (1963-64)

He was survived by: his wife, Anja Irene Vincent (nee-Aromaa), and daughter Dianne. Both of his sons Paul Allen and Tony Veli were deceased.

**He was called to his eternal rest on 1/6/07**

**I will give you what I have promised – Praise the Lord!**

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**THE REV. Matthew Ray Williams** – was born in Amarillo, TX on 10/15/1969. He graduated from Concordia Seminary, St. Louis, MO in 2003 and was Ordained on 6/8/2003. The Congregation/ Ministry he served include Mt. Calvary, Cleveland, OH, (7/2003-2/2008).

Services beyond the Congregation include:

Military: U.S. Army (1988-1992)

He was survived by his wife, Stacey Williams (nee Norrid) and children, Alexander, Rebekah, Elijah and Emma.

**He was called to his eternal rest on 2/5/08**

**The Lord is my Shepherd.**

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**THE REV. Edward H. P. Zacharias** – was born in Marysville, OH on 6/28/1922. He graduated from Concordia Seminary, Springfield, IL in 1956 and was Ordained on 7/17/1956. The Congregation/ Ministry he served include Hope, Muskogee, OK, (1956-59); Zion, Willshire, OH, (1959-62); Grace (WELS), Flint, MI, (1963-65); St. John/St. Matthew, Stillwater, MN, (1965-70); Trinity, Ballwin, MO, (1972-78); Eisleben, Scott City, MO, (1979-87); and Zion, Cleveland, OH, (1987-12/30/97). He retired on 12/31/97.

He was survived by his wife Mary Zacharias (nee-Bok/Mechler), sons Richard, John, Eric, Alan and daughters Ruth and Sharon.

**He was called to his eternal rest on 3/12/07**

**...and ye shall receive a crown of life.**

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**Dr. Ewald Kane, Ph.D, “Bill”**. Beloved husband of Elma R.; loving father of Joel (Kathy), Deborah Miline, Rebecca McDade (Bill), Phillip (Celeste), and Judith Jewell (Robert); dear grandfather of Angela, Anne, Andrew (deceased), Keith, Elise, Ryan, and Caitlin; dear brother of Eileen Widmann.

God tells us in all things pray, praise, and give thanks especially for his life.

Bill passed away on Sunday, January 28 2007.

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**Frederick Carl Lindgren**. Born on December 13, 1947. Baptized as a child of God on January 11, 1948. Confirmed in the faith on May 25, 1961.

Fred was married to Joanne (nee Bartz) on December 26, 1976. Beloved father of Andrew (Amy) and Rachel. Beloved son to Iola Kindgren Hartung, and beloved brother to Nancy (Mark) Robinson. Fred was preceded in death by his father, Alvar Lindgren.

Fred faithfully served our Lord as a teacher and principal in The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod for many years. He will be dearly missed by all who knew him.

Frederick entered into Eternal Life on October 22, 2007. His Christian funeral was held on October 27, 2007.

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**William Arnholt** was born to Elmer and Lydia Arnholt (nee Brethauer) on May 22, 1933 in Seymour, IN. He received his Bachelor of Arts degree from Concordia Teacher’s College, River Forest, IL in 1955. Bill received a call to teach on the staff of St. Mark Lutheran Church. He was involved in music events in the greater Lutheran community for many years.

Bill was preceded in death by his parents, his brother, Maurice and sister, Doris. He is survived by two brothers, Robert (Bennie) of Seymour, IN, Loran of Marengo, IL, his nephew Wayne of Seymour, IN, his nieces Donna (and Philip) Shelton of Decatur, AL, and Judy (and Scott) Little of Marengo, IL.

William passed on from this life on November 4, 2007.

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