

SAINT MICHAEL LUTHERAN CHURCH



Theodore Meetze Frick
November 5, 1940 – May 30, 2022

Celebration of Life
June 4, 2022 at 12:00 p.m.

*In the order of service, congregational responses are printed in **bold**.
Please speak the responses **gently**. It is recommended that masks are worn during worship.*

GATHERING

PRELUDE

Please Stand

WELCOME

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 brother, Ted, to give thanks for him life, to recommend him to our merciful redeemer, and to comfort one another in our grief.

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the source of all mercy and the God of all consolation. He comforts us in all our sorrows so that we can comfort others in their sorrows with the consolation we ourselves have received from God.

GATHERING HYMN

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

ELW 733

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

A pall is placed in remembrance of Ted's baptism—a sign of being clothed with Christ in baptism.

When we were baptized in Christ Jesus, we were baptized into his death. We were buried therefore with him by Baptism into death, so that as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might live a new 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.

Eternal God, maker of heaven and earth, who formed us from the dust of the earth, who by your breath gave us life, we glorify you.

We glorify you.

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.

We praise you.

Holy Spirit, author and giver of life, the comforter of all who sorrow, our sure confidence and everlasting hope, we worship you.

We worship you.

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

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.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray. O God of grace and glory, we remember before you today our brother, Ted. 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.

Amen.

Please Sit

WORD

FIRST READING: Isaiah 25:6-9

⁶On this mountain the LORD of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wines, of rich food filled with marrow, of well-aged wines strained clear.

⁷And he will destroy on this mountain the shroud that is cast over all peoples, the sheet that is spread over all nations; ⁸he will swallow up death forever.

Then the Lord GOD will wipe away the tears from all faces, and the disgrace of his people he will take away from all the earth, for the LORD has spoken. ⁹It will be said on that day,

Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him, so that he might save us.

This is the LORD for whom we have waited; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

SECOND READING: Romans 8:31-35

³¹What then are we to say about these things? If God is for us, who is against us? ³²He who did not withhold his own Son, but gave him up for all of us, will he not with him also give us everything else? ³³Who will bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. ³⁴Who is to condemn? It is Christ Jesus, who died, yes, who was raised, who is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us. ³⁵Who will separate us

from the love of Christ? Will hardship, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword?

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Please Stand

GOSPEL: JOHN 20:19-31

The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 20th chapter. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

¹⁹When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." ²⁰After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. ²¹Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." ²²When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. ²³If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

²⁴But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. ²⁵So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe."

²⁶A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." ²⁷Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." ²⁸Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" ²⁹Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe."

³⁰Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. ³¹But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Please Sit

MEDITATION

Pastor Frank W. Anderson

THE APOSTLES' CREED

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,
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.**

THE PRAYERS

Let us pray. Almighty God, you have knit your chosen people together in 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 your peace. **Hear us, Lord.**

Grant that all who have been baptized into Christ's death and resurrection may die to sin and rise to newness of life and that through the grave and gate of death we may pass with him to our joyful resurrection. **Hear us, Lord.**

Grant to us who are still in our pilgrimage, and who walk as yet by faith, that your Holy Spirit may lead us in holiness and righteousness all our days. **Hear us, Lord.**

Grant to your faithful people pardon and peace, that we may be cleansed from all our sins and serve you with a quiet mind. **Hear us, Lord.**

Grant to all who mourn a sure confidence in your loving care, that, casting all their sorrow on you, they may know the consolation of your love. **Hear us, Lord.**

Give courage and faith to those who are bereaved, that they may have strength to meet the days ahead in the comfort of a holy and certain hope, and in the joyful expectation of eternal life with those they love. **Hear us, Lord.**

Help us, we pray, 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. **Hear us, Lord.**

Grant us grace to entrust Ted to your never-failing love which sustained him in this life. Receive him into the arms of your mercy, and remember him according to the favor you bear for your people. **Hear us, Lord.**

God of all grace, you sent your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, to bring life and immortality to light. We give you thanks because by his death Jesus destroyed the power of death and by his resurrection has 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 shall 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.

Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us...

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.

SENDING

COMMENDATION

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

Into your hands, O merciful Savior, we commend your servant Ted. 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.**

Let us go forth in peace,
in the name of Christ. Amen.

SENDING HYMN

Blessed Assurance

ELW 638

*The family will follow the pastor to the cemetery for the Committal of Ashes.
All friends are welcome to join them.*

COMMITTAL

Grace and peace to you from our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

Let us pray. Holy God, holy and powerful, by the death and burial of Jesus your anointed, you have destroyed the power of death and made holy the resting places of all your people. Keep our brother, Ted, whose body we now lay to rest, in the company of all your saints. And at the last, O God, raise him up to share with all the faithful the endless joy and peace won through the glorious resurrection of Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

The bell tolls 81 times for each year of Ted's life on earth.

A reading from John:

Jesus answered them, "The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. Very truly, I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. Those who love their life lose it, and those who hate their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there will my servant be also. Whoever serves me, the Father will honor. (*John 12:23-26*)

In sure and certain hope of the resurrection to eternal life through our Lord Jesus Christ, we commend to almighty God our brother, Ted, and we commit him body to its resting place; earth to earth, ashes to ashes, dust to dust.

The Lord bless him and keep him.

The Lord's face shine on him with grace and mercy.

The Lord look upon him with favor and + give him peace.

Amen.

Rest eternal grant him, O Lord; and let light perpetual shine upon him.

Merciful God, you heal the broken in heart and bind up the wounds of the afflicted.

Strengthen us in our weakness, calm our troubled spirits, and dispel our doubts and fears.

In Christ's rising from the dead, you conquered death and opened the gates to everlasting life.

Renew our trust in you that by the power of your love we shall one day be brought together again with our brother Ted.

Grant this, we pray, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

**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.**

The God of peace,
who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus,
the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant,
make you complete in everything good so that you may do God's will,
working in you that which is well-pleasing in God's sight;
through Jesus Christ, to whom be the glory forever and ever.
Amen.

Let us go in peace.

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Thank you for the many acts of kindness shown to our family.

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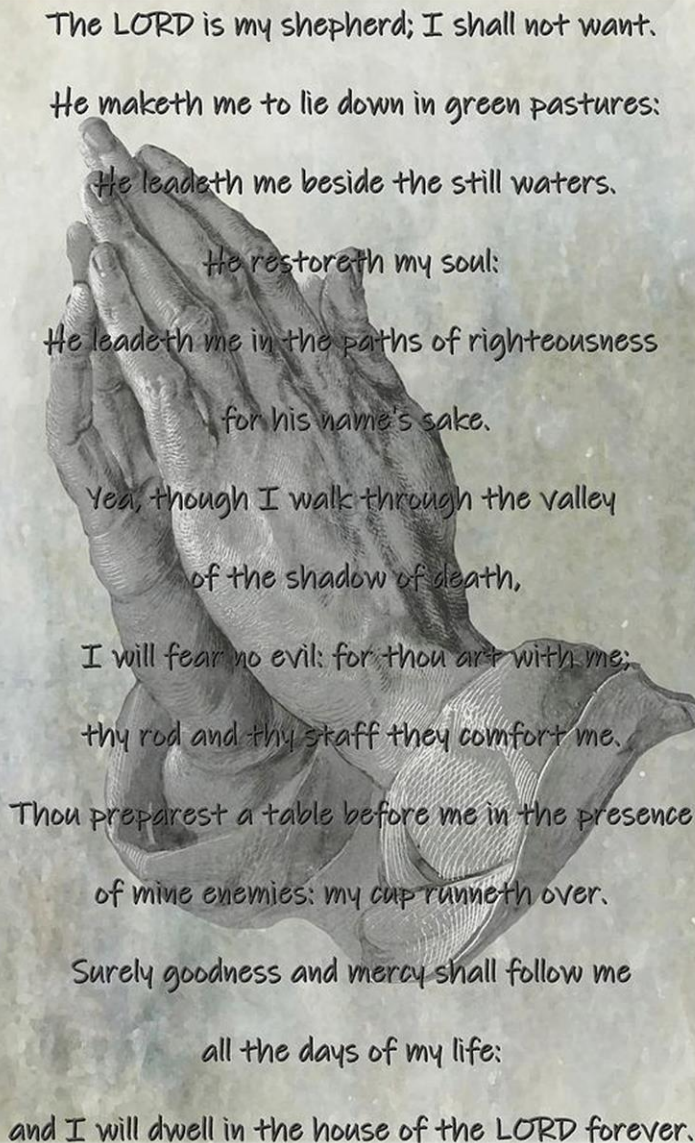
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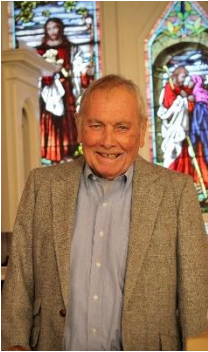
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 Cantor, Saint Michael Lutheran Church

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The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want.
He maketh me to lie down in green pastures:
He leadeth me beside the still waters.
He restoreth my soul:
He leadeth me in the paths of righteousness
for his name's sake.
Yea, though I walk through the valley
of the shadow of death,
I will fear no evil: for thou art with me;
thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.
Thou preparest a table before me in the presence
of mine enemies: my cup runneth over.
Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me
all the days of my life:
and I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever.



Theodore Meetze Frick of Columbia, SC passed away on Monday, May 30, 2022, at the age of 81. He was born November 5th, 1940, at Baptist Hospital to Daniel Franklin Frick and Thelma Meetze Frick. He was better known as Ted or Teddy, though he had an abundance of nicknames! Ted grew up in the Earlewood Park area of Columbia. He was baptized and confirmed at Reformation Lutheran Church and graduated from the “old” Columbia High School. He received a diploma from the S.C. Area Trade School (now better known as Midlands Technical College) in 1964 for HVAC. In 1974, after many hours of night school, attending part-time, and lots of encouragement from his mother Thelma, he graduated from the University of South Carolina with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Business Administration.

In September of 1962, while working at Leitzsey Distributing, he (unknowingly at the time) met his soulmate, Linda Day. Obviously meant for each other, they became engaged in December 1962 and married on February 23, 1963. In November of 1964, a new job opportunity arose in Dallas, Texas and the couple moved west. In September of 1965, their daughter Stephanie Day Frick-Martin was born. Six months later, due to a rather bad case of homesickness, the trio moved back to South Carolina. In October of 1967, the family grew as they welcomed their son Ted Franklin Frick.

Ted’s 32-year career in the HVAC industry was spent at several different venues. He taught at Midlands Technical College from 1966-1975. He then tried his hand at sales with Stewart Supply in Greenville and Epting Distributors in Columbia. He returned to teaching at Brookland-Cayce High School from 1978-1984. He returned to Midlands Technical College, retiring in 1998. Ted also had his own side business, “Flim Flam Refrigeration!” He was a member of the Refrigeration Service Engineers Society, the Earlewood Masonic Lodge, and the Jamil Temple Shriners.

For the past 30 years, Ted and Linda have been active members of St. Michael’s Lutheran Church. Ted sang in the choir and assisted with a multitude of projects over the years. He loved being involved in the church and helping wherever he was able.

Ted loved his entire family deeply. He was an amazing son, husband, father, grandfather, brother, uncle, cousin, and friend. To many others, he was an “Adopted” grandfather. He was a very talented woodworker, woodcarver, and all-around handyman. There was almost nothing he could not do!

Ted is survived by his beloved wife of 59 years, Linda Day Frick; his children Ted F. Frick (Laura) and Stephanie Frick Martin; grandchildren Victor Frick, Grant Frick, Marla Frick, Christa Martin, and Aaron Martin; brother Daniel F. Frick II (Lauren) and brother-in-law Donnie Day; nieces Lisa Frick Szuhy, Kristin Dox McNally, and Jenny Dox; nephews Daniel F. Frick, III, Charles Frick, and Jeff Reynolds. He had many great-nieces, nephews, and dear friends that he loved as well.

Ted was surrounded by his family and his room filled with love in the last hours of his life. His beloved wife held his hand until his last breath. There were many people and activities that Ted loved in this life, but he loved Linda above all else. Earth became a little darker with his departure, but Heaven lit up as he entered in glory. He will be dearly missed by everyone who knew him but, we take comfort in knowing that we will one day be reunited for eternity.

A visitation will be held at St. Michael’s Lutheran Church on Saturday, June 4th at 11:00 AM. The service will immediately follow. Memorials may be made to the church.