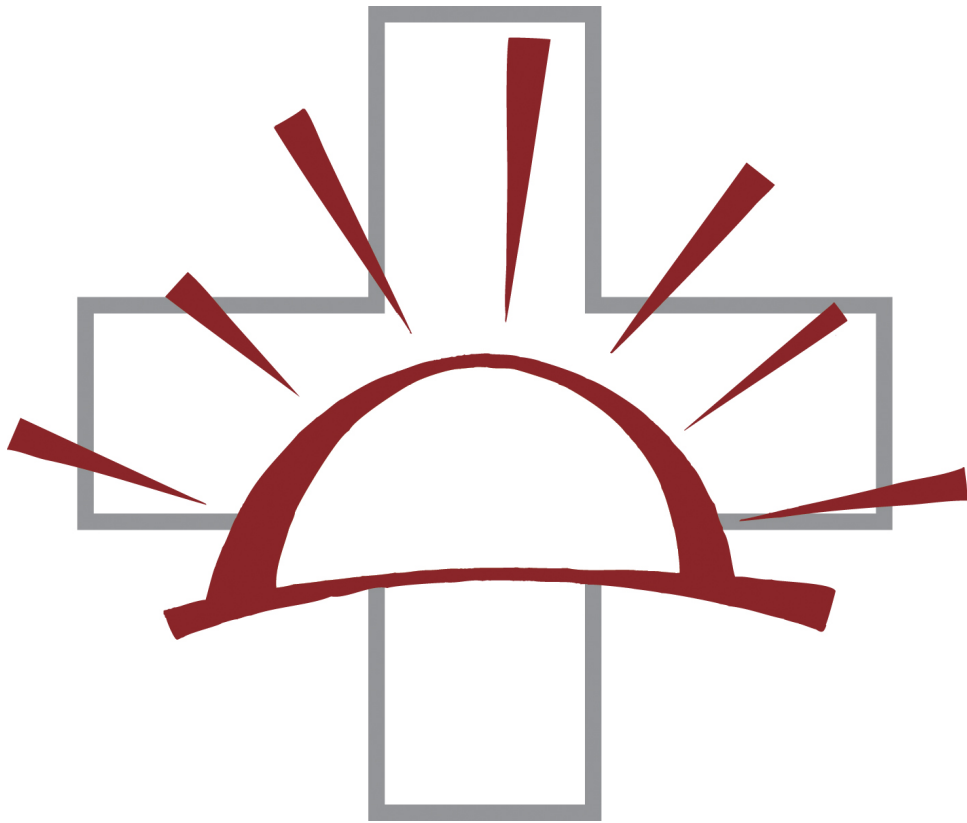
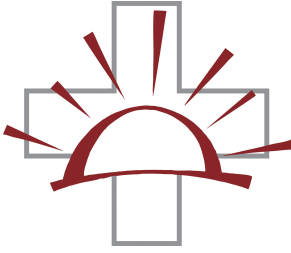


Trinity Lutheran Church



Garry Ervin Dierks
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Funeral

Garry Ervin Dierks

October 24, 2025

Order of Service

Placing the Pall

P: In the name of the Father and of the (+) Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen.**

P: In Holy Baptism Garry Dierks was clothed with the robe of Christ's righteousness that covered all his sin. Saint 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 the 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.**

Entrance Hymn

Just As I Am

LSB 570

P: Lord, have mercy upon us.

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

Lord, have mercy upon us.

P: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

P: Let us pray:

O God of grace and mercy, we give thanks for Your loving-kindness shown to Garry 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.**

Readings

Old Testament

Job 19:23-27 (ESV)

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.

C: Thanks be to God

Psalms

Psalms 23 (KJV)

Antiphon vs 6

P: Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life:
and I will dwell in the house of the LORD for ever.

P: The LORD is my shepherd;
I shall not want.

**C: He maketh me to lie down in green pastures:
he leadeth me beside the still waters.**

P: He restoreth my soul:
he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.

**C: 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.**

P: Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies:
thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.

**C: Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days
of my life:
and I will dwell in the house of the LORD for ever.**

**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: Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life:
and I will dwell in the house of the LORD for ever.

For the grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation for all people, training us to renounce ungodliness and worldly passions, and to live self-controlled, upright, and godly lives in the present age,

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God**

P: Alleluia, alleluia.

Jesus Christ is the firstborn of the dead;

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

P: The Holy Gospel according to Saint John the eleventh chapter.

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

Now when Jesus came, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb four days. Bethany was near Jerusalem, about two miles off, and many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary to console them concerning their brother. So when Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went and met him, but Mary remained seated in the house. Martha said to Jesus, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. But even now I know that whatever you ask from God, God will give you." Jesus said to her, "**Your brother will rise again.**" Martha said to him, "I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day." Jesus said to her, "**I am the resurrection and the life. Whoever believes in me, though he die, yet shall he live, and everyone who lives and believes in me shall never die. Do you believe this?**" She said to him, "Yes, Lord; I believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God, who is coming into the world."

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

Apostles' Creed

All: **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 shall 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.

Sermon Hymn

Amazing Grace

LSB 744

Sermon

A Prophetic Confirmation Verse

Titus 2:11-12

Prayers *Prayer of the Church*

- P: 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.
- C: Hear us, O Lord.**
- 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 that through the gate of death
and the grave we may pass with him to our joyful resurrection.
- C: Hear us, O Lord.**
- P: Grant to us who are still in our pilgrimage, and who walk as yet by faith, your
Holy Spirit that he may lead us in holiness and righteousness all our days.
- C: Hear us, O Lord.**
- P: Grant to your faithful people pardon and peace that we may be cleansed from
all our sins and serve you with a quiet mind.
- C: Hear us, O Lord.**
- P: 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.
- C: Hear us, O Lord.**
- P: Give courage and faith to the bereaved that they may have strength to meet
the days ahead in the assurance of a holy and certain hope, in the communion
of your Church, and in the joyful expectation of eternal life with those they
love who have departed in the faith.

C: Hear us, O Lord.

P: Help us, we pray, in the midst of things we cannot understand, to believe in and find comfort in the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.

C: Hear us, O Lord.

P: 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 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.

The Lord's Prayer

All: 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. Whoever believes in me, though he die, yet shall he live, and everyone who lives and believes in me shall never die."

**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.**

**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 am the resurrection and the life. Whoever believes in me, though he die, yet shall he live, and everyone who lives and believes in me shall never die."

Benedicamus and Benediction

P: Let us bless the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

P: The LORD bless you and keep you;
the LORD make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you;
the LORD lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace.

C: **Amen.**

P: Let us go forth in peace,

C: **in the name of the Lord. Amen.**

Hymn to Depart

I Know that My Redeemer Lives

LSB 461

Reception

The Trinity LWML (Lutheran Woman's Missionary League) will be serving a light lunch in the church basement after the interment.

Participants

Officiant	Rev Dr Jeffrey B Williams
Lector	Rev Dennis Brech
Organist	Mrs Kathy Schwartz
Pallbearers	Jody Penoyer
	Tyler Penoyer
	Mark Staples
	Wyatt Staples
	Craig Dierks
	Darren Saner