

The Service Celebrating
Keith Christian Gloe's
Life in Christ
September 7, 1962 – January 11, 2025

A photograph of the empty tomb at sunrise. The large stone is rolled away from the entrance of the tomb, which is carved into a hillside. Bright sunlight streams through the opening, illuminating the interior of the tomb and casting long shadows. In the distance, three crosses are visible on a hill against a colorful sky of orange, yellow, and purple. A white cloth lies on the ground inside the tomb.

*God is Our
Refuge
and
Strength.*

Psalms 46:1

January 17, 2025, 5:00pm
Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church
Olathe, KS

PRELUDE

Abide with Me

arr. Erwin Horn

TIME OF FAMILY SHARING

SOLO

My Shepherd's Love Remains the Same

In memory of Keith Gloe

Text: Jeremiah Schultz; Music: Nicholas Hansen

Soloist: Pastor Joel Schultz

1. My shep - herd's love re - mains the same from dawn till eve - ning's end.
2. My shep - herd leaves the nine - ty nine to find me in the cold;
3. I know Your voice the Ho - ly Word is call - ing me to die;

With gen - tle voice He calls my name, though all my sins of - fend.
With ten - der words, He soothes my mind and leads me to the fold.
So guard my heart, that un - de - terred I sing when night draws nigh.

By wa - ters blue and pas - tures green, He lays me down in peace.
And He will nev - er leave my side, Though I have gone a - stray.
The ver - dant hills in which I roam can - not so soon re - place

From morn to night my eyes have seen His mer - cies nev - er cease.
His stead - fast love has been my guide through - out the wan - ing day.
The glo - ries of my Heav'n' - ly home where waits my shep - herd's face.

OPENING PRAYERS

John Wendorff

- L** I pray that God remove your fears, doubts and anxieties so that you might be a steward of the blessings God has given you and that you are a blessing to others in your education and life. That God grants you knowledge of His will for you, clarity, and power to carry it out.
- L** God grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change; courage to change the things I can; and wisdom to know the difference.

OPENING HYMN

When Peace, like a River

LSB 763



1 When peace, like a riv - er, at - tend - eth my way; When
2 Though Sa - tan should buf - fet, though tri - als should come, Let
3 He lives— oh, the bliss of this glo - ri - ous thought; My
4 And, Lord, haste the day when our faith shall be sight, The



sor - rows, like sea bil - lows, roll; What - ev - er my lot, Thou hast
this blest as - sur - ance con - trol, That Christ hath re - gard - ed my
sin, not in part, but the whole, Is nailed to His cross, and I
clouds be rolled back as a scroll, The trum - pet shall sound and the



taught me to say, It is well, it is well with my soul.
help - less es - tate And hath shed His own blood for my soul.
bear it no more. Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul!
Lord shall de-scend; E - ven so it is well with my soul.

Refrain



It is well with my soul, It is well, it is well with my soul.

INVOCATION

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of your Baptism.

P In the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

REMEMBRANCE OF BAPTISM

Romans 6:3-5

P In Holy Baptism on October 28, 1962, Keith Christian Gloe 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?"

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 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."**

DRAPING OF THE FUNERAL PALL

(The funeral pall reminds us of the robe of Christ's righteousness given in Holy Baptism symbolizing our life in Christ.)

PSALM

Psalm 121

P ¹I lift up my eyes to the hills. From where does 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. ⁴Behold, he who keeps Israel will neither slumber nor sleep. ⁵The LORD is your keeper; the LORD is your shade on 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 forth and forevermore.

C **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.**

SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

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 Keith 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

Job 19:21-27

Max Huebner, Keith's honorary son

L ²¹Have mercy on me, have mercy on me, O you my friends, for the hand of God has touched me! ²²Why do you, like God, pursue me? Why are you not satisfied with my flesh? ²³"Oh that my words were written! Oh that they were inscribed in a book! ²⁴Oh that with an iron pen and lead they were engraved in the rock forever! ²⁵For I know that my Redeemer lives, and at the last he will stand upon the earth. ²⁶And after my skin has been thus destroyed, yet in my flesh I shall see God, ²⁷whom I shall see for myself, and my eyes shall behold, and not another. My heart faints within me!

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

EPISTLE

1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

Abigail Kennedy, Keith's goddaughter and niece

L ¹³But we do not want you to be uninformed, brothers, about those who are asleep, that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. ¹⁴For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have fallen asleep. ¹⁵For this we declare to you by a word from the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord,

will not precede those who have fallen asleep. ¹⁶For the Lord himself will descend from heaven with a cry of command, with the voice of an archangel, and with the sound of the trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ will rise first. ¹⁷Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air, and so we will always be with the Lord. ¹⁸Therefore encourage one another with these words.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

EPISTLE

2 Timothy 4:6–8

Austin Lage, Keith's godson

L ⁶For I am already being poured out as a drink offering, and the time of my departure has come. ⁷I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. ⁸Henceforth there is laid up for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will award to me on that Day, and not only to me but also to all who have loved his appearing.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Stand

HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 25:21

Austin Lage, Keith's godson

L ²¹His master said to him, 'Well done, good and faithful servant. You have been faithful over a little; I will set you over much. Enter into the joy of your master.'

L This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

HOLY GOSPEL

John 14:1–6, 27

Dani Mader, Keith's goddaughter

L ¹“Let not your hearts be troubled. Believe in God; believe also in me. ²In my Father’s house are many rooms. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? ³And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, that where I am you may be also. ⁴And you know the way to where I am going.” ⁵Thomas said to him, “Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?” ⁶Jesus said to him, “I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. ²⁷Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid.

L This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **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.

C **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.**

Sit

SERMON HYMN

Abide With Me

Men's Trio: Fred Gruhn, David Raetzel, and Troy Schepmann

*(If you would like to meditate on the words of hymn LSB 878 "Abide with Me" as the piece is sung,
please see the words below.)*

1. *Abide with me, fast falls the eventide.
The darkness deepens; Lord, with me abide.
When other helpers fail and comforts flee,
Help of the helpless, O abide with me.*
2. *I need Thy presence ev'ry passing hour;
What but Thy grace can foil the tempter's pow'r?
Who like Thyself my guide and stay can be?
Through cloud and sunshine, O abide with me.*
3. *Come not in terrors, as the King of kings,
But kind and good, with healing in Thy wings;
Tears for all woes, a heart for ev'ry plea.
Come, Friend of sinners, thus abide with me.*
4. *Swift to its close ebbs out life's little day;
Earth's joys grow dim, its glories pass away;
Change and decay in all around I see;
O Thou who changest not, abide with me.*

5. *I fear no foe with Thee at hand to bless;
Ills have no weight and tears no bitterness.
Where is death's sting? Where, grave, thy victory?
I triumph still if Thou abide with me!*
6. *Hold Thou Thy cross before my closing eyes;
Shine through the gloom, and point me to the skies.
Heav'n's morning breaks, and earth's vain shadows flee;
In life, in death, O Lord, abide with me.*

SERMON

Pastor Joel Schultz

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

- P** Let us pray to the Lord, our God and Father, who raised Jesus from the dead.
- P** Almighty God, grant that all who have been baptized into Christ's death and resurrection may die to sin and rise to newness of life and so pass with Him through the gate of death and the grave to our joyful resurrection. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Give to the family of Keith, and to all who mourn comfort in their grief and a sure confidence in Your loving care that, casting all their sorrow on You, they may know the consolation of Your love. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Give courage and faith to the bereaved, that within the communion of Your Church they may have strength to meet the days ahead in the assurance of a holy and certain hope and in the joyful expectation of eternal life with those they love who have departed in the faith. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**

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

C **hear our prayer.**

P Receive our thanks for Keith and for all the blessings You bestowed on him in this earthly life. Bring us at last to our heavenly home in the new creation that with him we may see You face to face in the joys of paradise. 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.**

LORD'S PRAYER

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

C **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 ~ ~Song of Simeon

P "I am the resurrection and the life," says the Lord. "He who believes in Me will live, even though he dies; and whoever lives and believes in Me will 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.
 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," says the Lord. "He who believes in Me will live, even though he dies; and whoever lives and believes in Me will never die."

Stand

CONCLUDING COLLECT

P 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.
C **Amen.**

COMMITTAL

P May God the Father, who created this body; may God the ✠ Son, who by His blood redeemed this body; may God the Holy Spirit, who by Holy Baptism sanctified this body to be His temple, keep these remains to the day of the resurrection of all flesh.
C **Amen.**

P Let us pray.
 Almighty God, by the death of Your Son Jesus Christ You destroyed death, by His rest in the tomb You sanctified the graves of Your saints, and by His bodily resurrection You brought life and immortality to light so that all who die in Him abide in peace and hope. Receive our thanks for the victory over death and the

grave that He won for us. Keep us in everlasting communion with all who wait for Him on earth and with all in heaven who are with Him, for He is the resurrection and the life, even Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C Amen.

BENEDICAMUS/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 shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and ☩ give you peace.

C Amen.

CLOSING HYMN

I Know That My Redeemer Lives

LSB 461:1,5,6,7



1 I know that my Re - deem - er lives; What com - fort
5 He lives to si - lence all my fears; He lives to
6 He lives, my kind, wise, heav'n - ly friend; He lives and
7 He lives and grants me dai - ly breath; He lives, and



this sweet sen - tence gives! He lives, He lives, who
wipe a - way my tears; He lives to calm my
loves me to the end; He lives, and while He
I shall con - quer death; He lives my man - sion



once was dead; He lives, my ev - er - liv - ing head.
trou - bled heart; He lives all bless - ings to im - part.
lives, I'll sing; He lives, my Proph - et, Priest, and King.
to pre - pare; He lives to bring me safe - ly there.

POSTLUDE

Jesus Lives! The Victory's won!
arr. Behnke

Officiant Pastor Mike Ada
Preacher Pastor Joel Schultz
Liturgist Vicar Josiah Sandcork
Organist..... Lauran Delancy
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..... Al Gehrt, and Tommy Howell

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In Loving Memory
Keith Christian Gloe
1962 – 2025

Obituary:

Keith was born September 7, 1962, to Paul B. and Dolores L. (Swanson) Gloe in Kansas City, Kansas. He was baptized on October 28, 1962 at Bethel Lutheran Church, Kansas City, Kansas. He was confirmed on April 11, 1976 at Faith Lutheran Church, Easton, Pennsylvania.

Keith was joined in marriage to Jeri Melinda Johnson on November 11, 1989 at Bethany Lutheran Church, Overland Park, Kansas. Their marriage was blessed with two children: KC (Keith Christian II) and Katelyn.

Throughout his childhood, he also lived in Berkeley Heights, New Jersey; Mequon, Wisconsin; Barrington Heights, Illinois; and Westport, Connecticut. He spent his high school years in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania graduating from Freedom High School where he played on the men's volleyball team and was the school mascot. He graduated from Rockhurst University, Kansas City, Missouri in 1985.

After college, he worked for David J Joseph Company as a scrap dealer covering the regions of Birmingham, Alabama and then Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. In May of 1988, he moved back to Kansas City and purchased Rosse Lithographing with his dad.

Following his time at Rosse, he devoted himself to his lifelong passion of serving others. Throughout his years he's served Lutheran congregations in various roles as Vice President of the congregation, chairman of the Board of Elders, chairman of the Board of Member Engagement, Church Council, Board of Stewardship, Board of Trustees, Usher, and was active with the Metro Lutheran Ministry, Lutheran Hour Ministries and many capital campaigns.

As a strong supporter of Lutheran education, he was willing to help wherever needed. While his kids were at Hope Lutheran, he was an assistant coach for basketball, baseball, football, soccer and even track for both kids, and best yet, he was the students' favorite lunch lady. When his kids started attending Lutheran High School of Kansas City, he served as a key officer on the LEAF board and helped maintain the facility, grounds, and soccer field – if something needed to be built, painted, or mowed, Keith was there.

He enjoyed traveling/road tripping with Jeri, golfing with KC, taking Katelyn on boat rides, fishing with buddies, playing cards with friends, sharing meals around the table with loved ones, and especially spending time at the lake.

Keith is preceded in death by his parents Paul and Dolores Gloe. He is survived by his wife, Jeri; their son, KC and his wife Chanel of Lenexa, Kansas and daughter, Kate of Denver, Colorado. He is survived by his siblings: Paul, Claudia, Ron, Brian and his wife Betsy, along with 10 nephews and nieces and many great-nephews and great-nieces. He is also survived by many friends who had become as close as family – Keith loved having more aunts, uncles, and cousins for his kids.

In lieu of flowers, memorials can be made to the Lutheran High School of Kansas City Foundation or a Kansas City area Lutheran grade school of your choice. Please make your donations payable to Beautiful Savior, and on the memo line, note LHSKC Foundation or the name of the Lutheran grade school. Donations may be mailed to Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church, 13145 S. Blackbob Road, Olathe, Kansas 66062.

Memories and photos may be shared with the family at <https://www.dignitymemorial.com/obituaries/overland-park-ks/keith-gloe-12197316> or scan the QR code to share:





KEITH'S CONFIRMATION VERSE, JOHN 14:27

²⁷ Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid.