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FROM THE ABBOT'S DESK

"Seeing is believing." How many of you grew up hearing that aphorism? I certainly did. If you saw something with your own eyes, you knew it was true. If not, then you were right to doubt it. It just seemed sensible. But it isn't true.

Sometimes what we think we see isn't even what we actually see. Our criminal justice system is enamored of eye witness accounts. What could be more convincing than an eye witness saying, "I saw her doing it." Shouldn't we accept such accounts as proof? A report from the Innocence Project, an organization committed to exonerating wrongly convicted people through DNA testing, shows that of 350 wrongful convictions in the United States overturned by post-conviction DNA evidence, over 70% of those sent to prison were misidentified by someone who swore that they had seen the person commit the crime. They had been "seen", the testimony was believed, and an innocent person was convicted.

Today technology radically increases the problem. It is relatively easy to Photoshop someone into a picture or movie so that they appear to have been where they were not. Or to modify the sound on a recording so that they appear to have said what they did not. Whether the motivation was harmless or malicious, the effect is the same. What we see is not what we can believe.

If we can't trust our eyes, then how do we know what to believe? I am convinced that

the most important things that I believe actually have nothing to do with what I can see. I believe in the power of good to overcome evil, even though it may take a very long time. I believe that following Jesus is the way that God has given me to live. I think that salvation is here and now, nurtured by my beloved community, and not just my ticket to heaven after I die. I believe that God loves all people, without exception.

Why do I believe these things? They have come from my experience of the saints who have touched my life. They have come from the action of the Holy Spirit in my heart. They have come through the words of Holy Scripture. And they have turned the saying "Seeing is believing" upside down for me. It is not seeing that leads me to believe. It is believing that allows me to see.

Because I believe that I am called to advocate for peace and justice, I can no longer turn away from seeing the injustice that pervades our world. I cannot ignore the oppression that our history books fail to mention. I cannot pretend that the privilege that I have experienced is a result of my own hard work. I cannot place limits on how God's children can participate in Christ's church. Because I believe in the power of good, I can see the evil in our society and know that God expects me to fight against it.

I do not believe because I see. I see because I believe. It is believing that allows us to see things as they really are, and that calls us to follow Christ into a vision of how things are meant to be.



Sr. Abbot
Elizabeth Moore

RESQUIESCAT EN PACE

Br. Gerald Louis Mann (1944 - 2007)

Brother Gerald Louis Mann, 62, of Chippewa Falls, Wisconsin, passed away on June 5, 2007, at Centre Hospitalier Universitaire in Poitiers, France, following a brief illness.

He was born October 28, 1944, in Sturgeon Bay to Eileen (Grosse) and Wallace Mann. He graduated from Sturgeon Bay High School in 1962 and received his bachelor's degree from Macalester College in St. Paul, Minn., where he learned to play the



Br. Gerry married Elaine Fox on August 2, 1969, in Granite Falls, N.C. He served parishes in Butler/Germantown (Milwaukee), Bethel/LaGrange (Elkhorn, Whitewater) and Zion

bagpipes. In 1969, he earned his Master of Theology degree from Boston University School of Theology and became an ordained elder in the United Methodist Church in 1970.

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United Methodist Church in Chippewa Falls and was chaplain of Lakeside Nursing and Rehabilitation for many years. He retired from the United Methodist Church (UMC) in 2006. At the time of his death, he was pastor at North Presbyterian Church in Eau Claire, Wisconsin.

In the early part of his ministry, he was involved in the camping programs of the United Methodist Church. Br. Gerry's ministry included the presentation of many

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IN THE COMMUNION OF THE SAINTS

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Faith communities have frequently kept necrologies of those saints who have gone before us. In this manner The Order of Saint Luke remembers these sisters and brothers.

March 11	Br. Ralph Marsden Kitley (2008) North Carolina
March 18	Br. Matthew Burroughs (2018) Louisiana
March 19	Br. Thomas Frederick Tracewell (2011) Alabama
March 20	Br. Paul Rogers (2003) California
March 25	Br. S. James Schmittle, Sr. (2018) Pennsylvania (former president)
March 30	Br. Timothy (Tim) J. Crouch (2005) Ohio
April 6	Br. Perry Parker (2009) Tennessee
April 18	Br. Richard Allen Lewis (2005) Ohio
April 20	Sr. Inga Zifcak Freyer-Nicholas (2010) Florida
April 22	Br. Richard A. Santella (2016) New York, Florida
April 28	Br. James F. Bellamy (2004) Pennsylvania
May 5	Br. Wayne Eugene Lee (2015) Ohio

May 12	Br. John F. Dornheim (2013) New York
May 13	Br. Dwight Edward Conrad (2017) Oregon
May 18	Br. Larry Clinton Seybold (1999) Kansas
May 26	Br. Ronald Ray Hill (2018) West Ohio
June 2	Sr. Kimberly Ann Echols (2002) California
June 5	Br. Gerald L. Mann (2007) Wisconsin
June 12	Br. Clark Allen Walz (2004) Ohio
June 16	Br. Jerry Wilson (2009) West Virginia
June 19	Br. Richard Hoffmann (2008) Florida
June 20	Sr. Karen Teresa Moody Chrisley (2007) West Ohio
June 27	Br. Kenneth Hill (2004) Indiana Br. Stephen Fraser-Soots (2009) Michigan

A request: If you or your chapter are aware of other deceased members of the Order, I'd be grateful if you could send information to me at bhagwon@earthlink.net so that they may be included in the list of siblings for whom we give thanks to God.

The Lukan Novitiate Continues to Develop

By Br. Daniel Benedict, OSL

Last August the Order of Saint Luke ended its “easy” process of simply declaring affirmation of our Rule of Life and Service as the way to become a member of the Order. For some time, there had been discussion of the need for intentional formation and discernment of vocation prior to profession of vows. So, we implemented a two-step information and formation process,



Br. Daniel Benedict

First a time of gaining information and discovery about the Order

Then a time of formation and discernment of calling to life in the Order of Saint Luke.

In traditional religious parlance these correspond to the time of postulancy and the time of the novitiate. An overview of membership under these new approaches is available on our website at <https://saint-luke.net/membership/> The response to this ministry of guidance and discernment has been positive in terms of those seekers who come to us. Our intention is not to create obstacles, but to offer hospitality and guidance to those nudged by the Spirit to get to know us and our way of life.

Sr. Carol Gathagan continues to work with seekers, inquirers, and probationary members. She hosts the Order’s Facebook page that hosts those who come to us with

questions. The page includes several resources that seekers can download and explore. When seekers are ready to go deeper, they complete a form requesting admission to the time of inquiry and Sr. Carol assigns a companion who journeys with the inquirer over several months. If there is mutual discernment that the inquirer is ready for a time of formation as a probationary member, he or she becomes a probationary member in a “Service of Admission to Probationary Membership”. Currently, we have one person becoming a “novice” on April 7. Corrine Piper, who attended our fall retreat last year, will be admitted in a service in West Ohio with Sr. Alice Kay Lovelace presiding. Members of the West Ohio area will attend.

During that service, the candidate will be examined and asked in part:

Believing that you are called to discern your vocation to

affirm the apostolic hope,

live for the church of Jesus Christ,

seek the sacramental life,

promote the church’s corporate worship,

magnify the sacraments,

and accept the call to service

as put forth in the Rule of Life and Service of the Order of Saint Luke,

will you faithfully study, serve and practice this life among us

for a season of probationary membership?

Will you trust God and seek the Spirit’s direction in making your discernment?

Will you seek and welcome the support and guidance of your companion?

Please pray for Corrine and for her companion and spiritual director, Sr. Barbara Lee.

At the May meeting of the

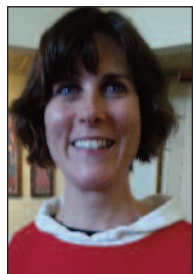
Council, I will ask the body to affirm a change in the nomenclature: replacing “initial membership” with “probationary membership.” The rationale is that “initial membership,” while consistent with our constitution, can be confusing as to the status of the one in that time. One does not become a member until she or he professes vows. The other matter that the “novitiate team” (Sr. Carol Gathagan, Sr. AK Lovelace, and I) will raise with the Council is whether we expect that the time of probationary membership include both a companion (a member of the Order) and a spiritual director (either a member of the Order or not). The reason for this is that in distinction to the time of inquiry that focuses on exploration and information, the time of probationary membership focuses on formation and discernment of vocation to life in the Order.



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FROM THE PROVINCIAL GENERAL

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Sr. Heather
Josselyn-Cranson

My Annual Conference offers organizations the opportunity to rent table space during the conference. While the OSL members and friends in New England haven't yet coalesced into a formal chapter, we conferred and decided to put forth the money to rent a table. We're going to make available some OSL books, copies of OSL periodicals, fliers that describe what the Order is and does, and some prayer resources from the Order. Given the current challenge that the United Methodist Church faces, we want to find ways that the Order can minister to hurting people while we share with them our charism.

Certainly not all members of the Order are United Methodist (nor should we all be alike in any way!), but part of "accepting the call to service," one of our vows, is being open about the Order and its importance in our lives. Sometimes it seems as though OSL is an unfortunately well-kept secret! People in our congregations, our dioceses, our conferences, and even our families don't know what the Order is or why it might be meaningful. This is a secret that we need to stop keeping.

Each of us was led to membership in the Order by something: the need to be in community, the desire to grow in our understanding of the liturgy, the wish to share our passion for the sacraments, or something else. And each of us was kept in the Order by

something: the support of brothers and sisters, the joy of shared worship, deep learning from a speaker at retreat, the sustaining fellowship of chapter gatherings.

By sharing what these experiences mean with others, we can invite others to share in the life of the Order. Who can you invite to your next Chapter gathering? With whom could you form a new Chapter? Who in your life doesn't know what OSL stands for? How might people at your Annual Conference react to

information about the Order? (This is what we're hoping to find out in New England.)

At the end of the Lukan Liturgy of Word and Table, as found in The Book of Offices and Services, we find this commission: "You are witnesses of these things, sent forth, clothed with power from on high..." We are witnesses of the healing power of liturgy and of the importance of Christian community. Where might we be sent to share what we have experienced with others?

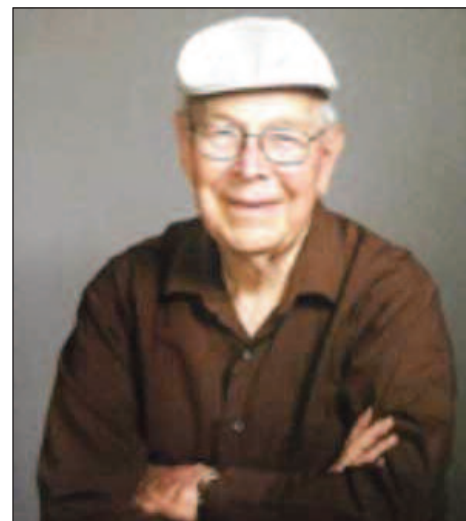
A Tribute to Br. William J. Beasley, OSL

By Br. George Crisp, OSL
Prior General

Many memories flood my mind when I think about my friend Bill, and I am grateful for this opportunity to share a few of them with you today. Initially, we bonded over our mutual love of music, but more importantly with our participation in the Order of Saint Luke. For those of you who might not know:

The Order is a religious order in the Wesleyan tradition, dedicated to sacramental and liturgical scholarship, education and practice. The order is open to clergy and laity of many denominations; it is open to all who affirm our Rule of Life and Service.

For more than 40 years, Br. Bill was a proud Episcopalian lay member of the Order, associating with many of us in The United Methodist Church. He was active in both the California-Pacific Chapter and at the national level, attending our Retreats and Council meetings in multiple places around the country, most often



Br. William (Bill) Beasley, OSL

in Pittsburgh. I can easily remember Br. Bill sitting on the organ bench leading us in worship with his musical skill, but also with his liturgical sensibilities. He was able to integrate the accompaniment of a hymn with the action at the Table, raising the worship of the Order to sublime heights.

Within the Order, Br. Bill was named our Director of Music Resources, and we worked with a small

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FROM THE PRIOR GENERAL

Br. George Crisp, OSL
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In this season of Lenten reflection, we often find ourselves caught between self-denial and a desire for deeper connection. This is a good time to plan for greater connections with the Order, especially our annual retreat later this year (see below). May your steps in the journey of Lent be a blessing to you.

2019 Spring Council Meeting

The 2019 Council Meeting of the General Chapter will take place May 21-23 at St. Paul of the Cross Retreat Center, 148 Monastery Ave, Pittsburgh, PA 15203. Council members are invited to travel on Monday and arrive in time for dinner that evening. Ahead of the Council meeting, the Daily Office Revision Team (DORT) will be in session on Monday, May 20.

In addition to the elected officers of the General Chapter, the Council consists of appointed officers and chapter priors (or their representatives). Chapters are encouraged to provide financial assistance so that chapter priors may attend. The Order also provides limited financial assistance in accordance with our reimbursement policy.

A more formal invitation, schedule and agenda has already been sent to the Council members and a request made for articles for inclusion in the Book of Reports. It's not too early to be thinking about what your report will contain. We are also encouraging something new – registration (and payment) on line via the OSL website. If it works well, we will begin to use online registration for our retreats.

The Hickman Award



Br. George Crisp

Seventeen seminaries have been contacted about presenting the Hoyt L. Hickman Award on behalf of the Order. This includes our newest school on the list, Gammon Theological Seminary of Atlanta, Georgia. Most of the awards will be presented in April and May. The award, in honor of our late brother, is presented to a graduating senior who has shown exceptional ability in liturgical scholarship and/or exceptional ability in leading worship.

The Hickman Award we offer comes with a certificate and the gift of a handmade ceramic chalice and paten given to the recipient. (If the recipient is not someone seeking ordination, an alternative gift of a ce-

ramic bowl can be provided.) Once again, E. Preston Rice will serve as our ceramic artist.

2019 Retreat

This year's retreat is scheduled for October 15-17, 2019 at St. Paul of the Cross in Pittsburgh. This year's theme is "Glimpses of Heaven: Iconography and Spirituality." Our guest speakers will be Michael Kapeluck and Randi Sider-Rose, two Pittsburgh-area iconographers. Ms. Sider-Rose will also lead an icon workshop immediately following the retreat, at an additional cost, for those interested. Watch for additional details to come this summer.

This is the perfect time to set aside some of your continuing education funds, professional business expenses, or personal savings for this retreat. More information and the registration details will be forthcoming in future editions of The Font.

A New Schedule for The Font

What's that new dateline at the top of the page? Spring 2019?

That's right, The Font has moved to a quarterly publication schedule. We hope to eliminate some duplication of content as in past issues and save expenses on the few copies we continued to send by postal mail.

This doesn't mean you'll get less information about The Order of Saint Luke. Any immediate news – along with reminders for events – can be sent out easily using our account with MailChimp, our bulk email service.

For the remainder of 2019, here

are our deadlines for receiving content:

- Summer issue: May 31
- Fall issue: August 15
- Winter issue: October 20 (to allow time for reports from our annual Retreat that will occur Oct. 15-17, 2019).

News of your chapter happenings and personal events are always welcome. The officers' emails are listed with their reports. If you have photos, please send them to Sr. Cynthia Astle, Font editor, at spirit60cba@gmail.com.

FROM THE PASTORAL CARE OFFICER

Br. David Eichelberger, OSL
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Beloved Sisters and Brothers:

I greet you today as we journey through Lent towards the glorious events of the Triduum. May you be blessed and renewed in your relationship with our Savior Jesus Christ and be invigorated for your discipleship through the Blessed and Holy Trinity!



Br. David
Eichelberger

We share with you the joys and concerns of our community:

Br. Dwight Vogel has been sharing with us the blessing of the memories that he and Sister Linda had made in their life together as he has journeyed with friends and families to various sites in America that he and Sr. Linda had enjoyed together.

Br. Frank Richard Coats shared that he is doing well in his recovery from recent health issues. His congregation continues to make good strides in the recovery from the flooding that occurred last year.

The California-Pacific Chapter rejoices in the rains and snow that have lifted the drought in California and brought a beautiful bounty of wild flowers. They ask for continuing prayers for those areas affected by the wildfires.

Br. David Eichelberger asks for prayers for the health of his daughter Rachel and son-in-law Jason Merkel as they anticipate the birth of their first child in September. This will be Br. David's first opportunity to be a

grandfather!

Br. J. Howard Cherry rejoices that he is doing well in his doctor's expert opinion four years since his heart attack and surgery.

Br. R. Craig Bennett died January 27. **Br. J. Howard Cherry OSL, Rev. Randy Bush and Br. David A. Eichelberger OSL** conducted his service of remembrance at the East Liberty Presbyterian Church in February and concluded the service with portions of the OSL Transitus. Please keep his widow, Rev. Suzanne Devore Bennett, in your prayers as she mourns his passing.

Sr. Cynthia Astle is thankful for all who prayed for her and her husband John while they were at the recent special session of the United Methodist General Conference. They are at home once more and are recuperating from their exertions.

Br. Canon Brent Sturm has added another position as Volunteer Engagement Coordinator at the United Way of the River Cities to his portfolio of activities. He continues to direct Jobs for Graduates and is always willing to drop everything to talk with someone about their need for donations and the huge impact that they will make in preventing high school students from dropping out of school in West Virginia.

Br. Brian McKee celebrated the anniversary of his ordination as an Anglican priest on March 17. He has also asked for prayers for the relief of some breathing difficulties.

Br. Daniel Benedict is a featured author in this year's edition of the Upper Room Disciplines for 2019.

Sr. Rebecca Torres-Holland has been featured in a number of articles in several periodicals as part of her work for the greater inclusion of persons with disabilities in the life of the church. She has also published a new book of poetry: *Through My Good Eye: A Memoir in Verse*.

Sr. Carol Gathagan rejoices in the improving health of her husband Boyd.

Sr. Alice Kay and Br. David Lovelace have shared their concern for the health concerns of several of their cats.

Br. Canon O. French Ball is mourning the passing of his cat Hobbes who lived to be 16 years old

We join in asking prayer for those impacted by the recent General Conference of the United Methodist Church and for guidance for those who will be elected for the 2020 General Conference. We take special note as they will consider the proposal for mutual recognition of ministries with the Episcopal Church of America. The same matter will come before the next General Convention of the Episcopal Church in 2020.

We lift our prayers on behalf of the upcoming Lambeth Conference of the Anglican Communion in 2020.

We ask for prayers for those who have been affected by the recent blizzards and floods in the Midwest of the United States, typhoons and their resultant damage in Southeastern Africa and the Philippines, tornadoes, fires, landslides, and incidents of gun violence in the United States and New Zealand.

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PASTORAL CARE

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Almighty and gracious God, thou blessed and Holy Trinity, we humbly approach you with these and other concerns and joys. Through your grace we live and move and have our being. Send your blessings we pray on those who are in direst need. Where there is sorrow we ask for your consolation. Where there is illness, we ask for your healing. Where there is devastation, we invite you to bless those who assist with the rebuilding to be filled with compassion and stamina for the tasks at hand.

God of the wondrous universe, we are reminded repeatedly of our hubris in thinking that we are in control of all things. Help us to remember our place in the enormity of your creation so that we can become careful stewards of this beautiful planet.

As we move closer to Passover and Easter, renew in us an appreciation of your mighty acts of redemption and liberation. Set us free from all that inhibits us from responding to your love with gratitude. Open our eyes to see the myriad opportunities we have to extend your love to those in the world around us.

We ask for your guidance to the officers of the Order of Saint Luke. Sustain them in the work they do for our Order. Bless them with insight and vision for the work ahead. Bind us all together through your grace wherever we may live so that we may live into our spiritual connections one with another, whether we have a local chapter, association or not. Truly we are united in the Body of Christ our Lord, in whose name we pray this. Amen.

Wait! Wait! Don't Throw Away Those Old Files from OSL!

From the Historical Task Force:

Dear Brothers and Sisters:

As we enter into the end of Lent and approach the Holy Triduum, we also may be approaching that time when our members may be getting news that they may be about to move to a new location either through retirement or a new position. I would like to encourage you to not dump your OSL files of publications, pictures or notes about retreats, etc.

The Order has had a permanent archive with the Methodist Librarian of the Drew University Library in the United Methodist Archives and History Center. Due to the special arrangement between the General Commission on Archives and History of the United Methodist Church and the Drew Library, the staff of the Archives is processing our materials so that they are put into better organization and in a manner whereby they will persist for a longer time.

They have reminded me that electronic files are problematic due to the frequent updating of computer systems and computer hardware. If you still have material on floppy disks or zip drives, etc., please know that they may become unavailable for future students if the archives does not have the equipment to decipher them. If you still can download such material, please print it to save it. With proper care, paper can last a very long time.



If you have access to acid-free paper, please print your files onto such paper. If you are unable to recopy items already on paper, please send them to the Archives in care of the Methodist Librarian indicating they are to be added to the OSL Archives.

Matters of note might be minutes of Chapter meetings, newsletters, membership lists, copies of worship bulletins of services conducted by your Chapter and baubles and beads! If you have copies of our publications, please check with the Publications Officer to see if they are needed for their back issue collection first. Extra materials can also be sent to Drew University Library, Attn: Methodist Librarian, 36 Madison Avenue, Madison, NJ 07940. Include a note saying that the material you are submitting is for our archives.

If you are submitting picture albums, please include a page listing who is pictured rather than writing on the back of the pictures. As we approach our 75th anniversary keep in mind that Br. Mark Stamm is also gathering memoirs and memories of our time as an order. An interesting activity for your Chapter or for you as a member might be to take a day to write down how you personally became involved in OSL or perhaps describe a significant event in your time as a member of the Order.

Br. David Eichelberger
Chair of the Historical Task Force

FROM THE CHANCELLOR GENERAL



Sr. Jeanette Block

Many times when I receive Affirmations or emails from siblings, I have been asked, "when can I affirm and donate online?" Now we can! We are using Vanco through our website, www.saint-luke.net. If you google our website you will see the dates for our upcoming council meeting and for our fall retreat. There is a link for Donations/Affirmations and for Retreat/Council Registrations.

A new Affirmation form will be available in August for siblings to renew their covenant to The Order for the 2019-2020 season. I will also

add a new Life Vow form so that your information is always current. Life-Vowed members need not fill out a yearly Affirmation; however, I am attempting to keep all contact information current and your completing the Life-Vowed form helps me do that. When logging in, use your email address and be sure to create a new password for Vanco and keep it in a safe place.

After you click on the link for Donations / Affirmations or Retreat / Council Registrations, you will be prompted to create an online profile and then log in. For registrations, Br. George Crisp and I receive copies via email of your registration form and of your donation where applicable. Many are using this new link to register for our May council meeting. We are hoping that more of you will use this easy online giving site.

Sr. Jeanette Block, OS�,
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However, as your Chancellor-General, I am happy to continue to "snail-mail" Affirmations and Life-Vowed forms in August to those who have asked and to those who prefer first class mailing as a preference. If you want to continue to receive your yearly forms by first-class mailing, please email me at oslchancellor@gmail.com to let me know. Even though I am on Facebook occasionally, the best way to contact me is through my email address or my phone, (609) 364-9187 which is my personal cell phone.

Remember, we are going on to perfection, so if you have difficulties, let me know so we can correct them quickly and I am always willing to help.

Blessings and Peace,
Sr. Jeanette Block,
Chancellor General

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Taizé services while at Lakeside and later Celtic services at North Presbyterian.

Br. Gerry was the pipe major of the Chippewa Valley Pipes and Drums, involved in the Chippewa Valley Cultural Association, Alzheimer's Association, Kiwanis Club, was president of the Community Chorus, a brother of the Order of St. Luke, and served in many other organizations throughout the years.

At the time of his death, he was survived by his loving wife, Elaine; two daughters, Heidi (Tony) Lambert of Savage, Minn., and Janet (John) Baldwin of Pella, Iowa; brothers, John (Georgene) Mann of Sturgeon Bay and Kenneth (Betty) Mann

of Angel's Camp, Calif.; nieces, Jennifer (Eric) Leiberg, Gwynyth Scherperel and Nicole Mann; nephews, Jason (Morgan) Mann and James Mann; and foreign exchange children, Michael (Rebecca) Knechten of Cologne, Germany, Graeme Henderson of Glasgow, Scotland, Tatjana Steinberger of Munich, Germany, and Be'ne'dicte Defois of Dax, France.

Br. Mann's funeral service was held on June 15, 2007, at Grace Lutheran Church in Eau Claire, with the Revs. Rolf Nestingen, David Irgens and Roger Skatrud officiating. Interment followed in Forest Hill Cemetery, Chippewa Falls, Wisconsin.

Memorials in his name were directed to the Community Foundation

of Chippewa County, Heyde Center for the Arts, and to North Presbyterian Church in Eau Claire.

Requiescat in pace, Br. Gerald Louis Mann, as we remember you this day.

Sources: Facebook and Ancestry.com

(If you would like to make any further additions to this obituary, please contact Br. Bob Schall, OS� Necrologist, at: Bhagwon@earthlink.net)



THE ORDO

Prepared by Br. John P. Fahey, OSL

April 2019

M	1	P
T	2	P
W	3	P
T	4	P
F	5	George Miller, John Walter, John Dreisbach P
S	6	P
S	7	5th Sunday of Lent P
M	8	P
T	9	William Law, Dietrich Bonhoeffer P
W	10	P
T	11	Garfield Bromley Oxnam P
F	12	P
S	13	P
		Eve of Passion/Palm Sunday R/P
S	14th	Passion/Palm Sunday R/P
M	15	Monday of Holy Week R/P
T	16	Tuesday of Holy Week R/P
W	17	Wednesday of Holy Week R/P
T	18	Holy Thursday, R/P, W for Eucharist
F	19	Good Friday R (stoles only)
S	20	Holy Saturday R/P a.m. (stoles only) W p.m. Vigil of Easter
S	21	Easter W
M	22	Easter Monday W
T	23	Easter Tuesday W
W	24	Easter Wednesday W
T	25	Easter Thursday W
F	26	Easter Friday W
S	27	Easter Saturday W
S	28	2nd Sunday of Easter W
M	29	Mark (transferred) R
T	30	W

May 2019

W	1	Philip & James the Less R
T	2	Athanasius W
F	3	Thomas Coke W
S	4	Monica W
S	5	3rd Sunday of Easter W
M	6	W
T	7	W
W	8	Julian of Norwich W
T	9	Gregory of Nazianzus W
F	10	W
S	11	W
S	12	4th Sunday of Easter W
M	13	W
T	14	W
W	15	W
T	16	William Nast W
F	17	Harry Hosier W
S	18	Jacob Albrightt, Mary McLeod Bethune W
S	19	5th Sunday of Easter W
M	20	W
T	21	W
W	22	W
T	23	W
F	24	William Edwin Robert Sangster W
S	25	The Venerable Bede
S	26	6th Sunday of Easter W
M	27	John Calvin W
T	28	W
W	29	W
		Eve of Ascension W
T	30	Ascension Day W
S	31	The Visitation W

Liturgical Notes: All Sundays, Solemnities and Feasts are in bold type and followed by the proper liturgical color for the day or part of the day. Commemorations are noted but the season color is kept. Those who wish to solemnize a particular commemoration should use Red for martyrs and White for all others.

The color code is **W**-white, **R**-red, **G**-green, **P**-purple, **B**-blue, **Rs**-rose. Gold may be substituted for white.

Use Lectionary Readings from **Year C** until Advent (December 1, 2019 when Readings from **Year A** begin).

THE ORDO

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June

S	1	Justin, Reinhold Niebuhr W
S	2	7th Sunday of Easter W
M	3	W
T	4	W
W	5	Boniface W
T	6	W
F	7	Chief Seattle W
S	8	W Eve of Pentecost R
S	9	Pentecost R
M	10	G
T	11	Barnabas R
W	12	G
T	13	G
F	14	Basil the Great G
S	15	Evelyn Underhill G Eve of Trinity Sunday W
S	16	Trinity Sunday W
M	17	G
T	18	Matthew Simpson G
W	19	G
T	20	G
F	21	Thomas Bowman Stephenson G
S	22	Alban G
S	23	2nd Sunday after Pentecost G
M	24	Nativity of John the Baptist W
T	25	G
W	26	G
T	27	G
F	28	Irenaeus, Peter Jones (Kahkewaquonaby) G
S	29	Peter and Paul R, pm-G
S	30	3rd Sunday after Pentecost G

July

M	1	G
T	2	Anna Howard Shaw
W	3	G
T	4	Jashwant Rao Chitambar G
F	5	Richard Whatcoat G
S	6	John Hus G
S	7	4th Sunday after Pentecost G
M	8	G
T	9	G
W	10	G
T	11	Benedict of Nursia G
F	12	G
S	12	G
S	14	4th Sunday after Pentecost
M	13	G
T ¹	14	G
W	17	John Coltrane G
T	18	G
F	19	Macrina the Younger G
S	20	Belle Harris Bennett G
S	21	6th Sunday after Pentecost G
M	22	Mary Magdalene W
T	23	G
W	24	Thomas á Kempis G
T	25	James the Elder R
F	26	Charles Albert Tindley G
S	27	G
S	28	7th Sunday after Pentecost G
M	29	Mary & Martha of Bethany G
T	30	Susanna Wesley G
W	31	G

Liturgical Notes: All Sundays, Solemnities and Feasts are in bold type and followed by the proper liturgical color for the day or part of the day. Commemorations are noted but the season color is kept. Those who wish to solemnize a particular commemoration should use Red for martyrs and White for all others.

The color code is **W**-white, **R**-red, **G**-green, **P**-purple, **B**-blue, **Rs**-rose. Gold may be substituted for white.

Use Lectionary Readings from **Year C** until Advent (December 1, 2019 when Readings from **Year A** begin).

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team on a musical project named Magnificat. I recall that one site didn't have an adequate organ for use at our retreat, and Bill, with his multiple contacts, arranged for the rental of an organ and even paid the transport – all behind the scenes. Over the years, he helped us test out various responses, hymns and communion settings, including some of his own compositions, which later we would publish in *The Book of Offices and Services*.

The last honor bestowed upon Bill, was to be named a Canon of the Order. Our canons are those who retain the institutional memory of the Order, and offer their wise counsel in our decision-making. That ceremony took place a few blocks from here at First United Methodist Church, on Sept. 5, 2018.

Many of us were amazed at Br. Bill's network of friends, former students and American Guild of Organists members. He would often piggy-back visits with them when he traveled to our national OSL events. In turn, they would ask Bill to play at their churches or would accept his invitations to worship with us. He was even given the privilege of playing the organ at the Mormon Tabernacle in Salt Lake City.

Br. Bill was not averse to being playful at the keyboard. When our Abbot, Elizabeth Moore, preached a sermon with the title "Someone to Watch Over Me," Bill used that secular song as part of his improvised music during the serving of communion. It was a touching moment that warmed the hearts of everyone in the congregation that day. Br. Dwight Vogel called it "...one of the

most deeply moving communion experiences of my life." As a composer myself, I was always delighted when Bill would use one of my hymns for music to accompany the serving of Communion.

Dr. Beasley also took delight in sending or giving some candy or other treat he'd found somewhere – chocolate-covered oranges, a chocolate chip cookie, even a calendar with pictures of Hawaii. Br. Daniel Benedict called it an "elvish" moment of delight he found in giving some little treasure. And, did you know that Bill had bathrobes in all of the colors of the liturgical year?¹

The night before he died, several of us in the Order prayed the *Transitus* with Br. Bill via a telephone conference call. That office is "A Service for the Time of Passage through Death to Life." With his family at his bedside, and his OSL siblings on the phone, it was the last time in this life that we would hear his weakened voice join us in worship.

Many of us in the Order will surely miss this kind, gentle, honest, humble and loving man. He was one who united deep wisdom with a compassionate heart.²

Br. Bill was profoundly sacramental and steadfast in his faith, influencing a great number of his brothers and sisters in the Order. You could see it on his face, hear it in his voice or watch the tears well up when he spoke of some theological matter or liturgical moment that touched his soul.

Speaking more personally, Br. Bill and I roomed together at many OSL events. In those moments, we grew to be close friends and each other's confidant. He once confessed to me his envy of the clergy who have the privilege of presiding at the Eucharist. It was my privilege to interview Br. Bill about his time with the Order for a project that is leading to our order's 75th anniversary. His memories were clear and rich as he recalled the many blessings he received from being a part of the Order of Saint Luke.

And now, we let our dear Brother Bill Beasley go into the Mystery where he takes his place among the saints in light beside his beloved Lucile.³

Br. George R. Crisp, OSL

This tribute was offered during the reception following the funeral service of Br. Bill Beasley at Trinity Episcopal Church, Santa Barbara, December 22, 2018.

³ Adapted from Br. Daniel T. Benedict's comments

Plan now to attend
our annual Fall Retreat Oct. 15-17,
2019 at the Monastery of
Saint Paul of the Cross,
Pittsburgh, Pa. See the Prior
General's report on Page 5
for more details.

¹ A memory of Br. Dwight Vogel

² Adapted from Sr. Heather Josselyn-Cran-son's comments

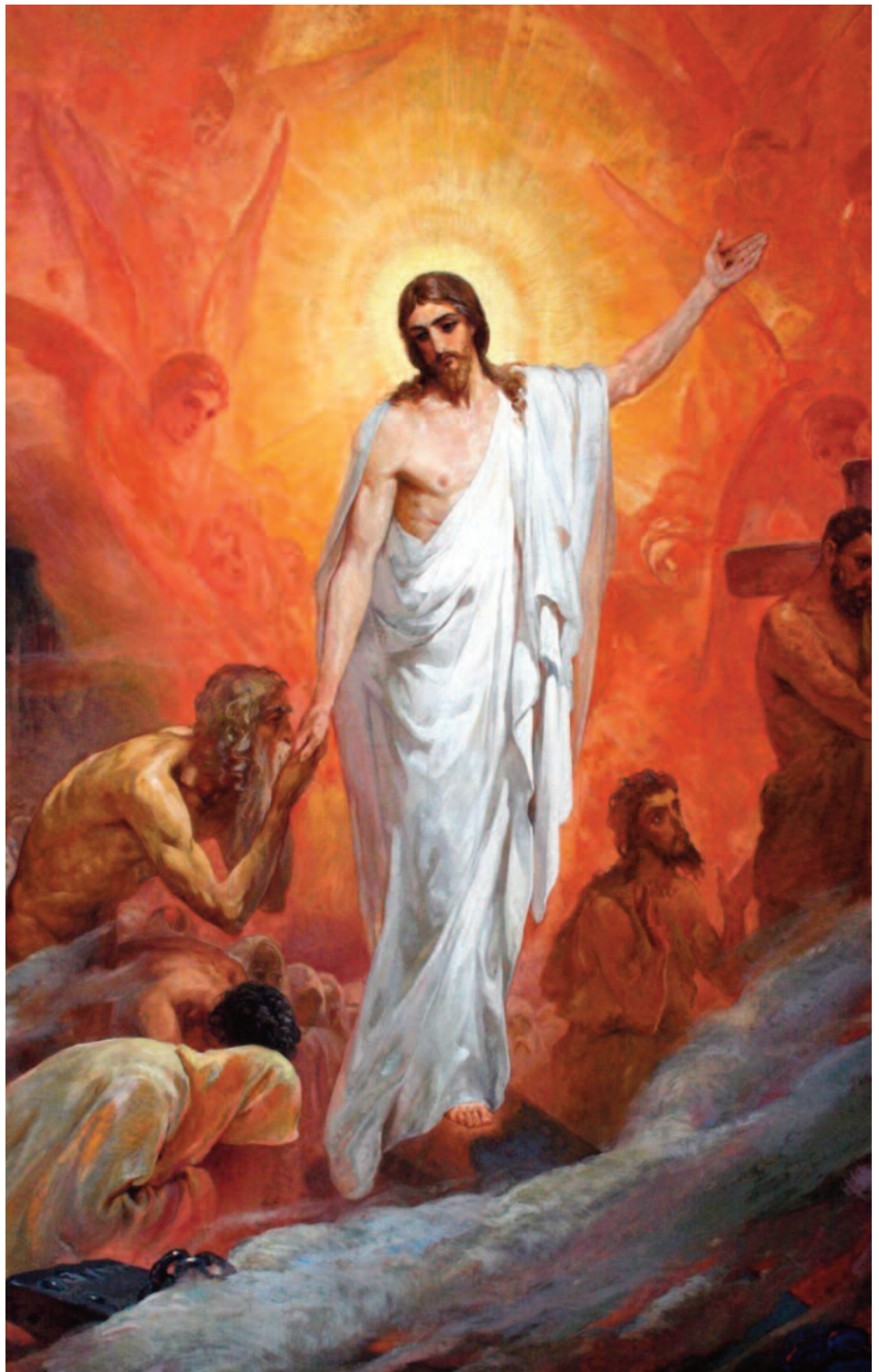
MOMENT FOR MEDITATION

Observance of Holy Saturday – the Easter Vigil – ranks highly among the treasures of ancient Christianity being reclaimed in today’s liturgy. In addition to the time of waiting for Christ’s Resurrection, the observance has drawn attention to one of the great mysteries of faith: where was Christ between his Crucifixion and Resurrection?

A Holy Saturday tradition still observed by some Christian branches is known as “the harrowing of hell.” This theology holds that after he died on the cross, Christ went to Hell and brought back all the righteous souls who lived before his time as a human. Prominent in medieval Christianity, the concept can be found in both the Apostles’ Creed and the Athanasian Creed: “he descended in Hell” or “he descended to the dead.” Saint Julian of Norwich describes a mystical deliverance that combines Jesus’ divine and earthly natures: “Behold and see! The precious plenty of His dearworthy blood descended down into Hell and burst her bands and delivered all that were there which belonged to the Court of Heaven.” (The Fourth Revelation, Chapter 12).

The harrowing of Hell inspired Russian painter Nikolay Andreyevich Koshelev (1840-1918). A son of serfs who developed his artistic talent with the help of several patrons, Koshelev painted his “Harrowing of Hell” in 1900 after a successful career creating church murals and icons.

What could the “harrowing of hell” mean to us as we approach



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Holy Week and Easter in 2019? Surely we see too many souls enslaved to the kinds of sin – violence, greed, lust, wrath and more – that create hells today. If we believe that

we are Christ’s hands on Earth, what must we do to “harrow” the hells we see all around us?

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