



**A Service of Remembrance and Thanksgiving
for the life of
Edwin “Ed” Hoffman**

**Evangelical Reformed United Church of Christ
Frederick, Maryland
Saturday, April 1, 2023
3:00 pm**

Prelude

Greeting

*Opening Hymn *In the Garden*

**I come to the garden alone
while the dew is still on the roses,
and the voice I hear falling on my ear
the Son of God discloses.**

Refrain:

**And he walks with me, and he talks with me,
and he tells me I am his own;
and the joy we share as we tarry there,
none other has ever known.**

**He speaks, and the sound of his voice,
is so sweet the birds hush their singing,
and the melody that he gave to me
within my heart is ringing. (Refrain)**

*Prayer

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Leader: Let us pray.

People: **Holy God, whose will is sovereign and whose mercy is boundless, look upon us in our sorrow, and enable us to hear your Word, that we, through patience and the encouragement of the scriptures, may hold fast to the assurance of your favor and hope of life eternal; through Jesus Christ our risen Savior. Amen.**

Reading of Scriptures

Psalm 37:5

John 15: 12-17

Words of Remembrance

Family and Friends

Meditation

Rev. Dr. Barbara Kershner Daniel

Prayers

The Lord's Prayer (debts/debtors)

**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 debts, as we forgive our debtors.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

**For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,
for ever. Amen.**

***Commendation**

***Benediction**

***Closing Hymn** *Holy, Holy, Holy*

Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!

Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee.

Holy, Holy, Holy! Merciful and mighty!

God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!

All Thy works shall praise Thy name in earth and sky and sea.

Holy, Holy, Holy! Merciful and mighty!

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***Postlude**



The family thanks you all very much for your expressions of sympathy and support during this time of sorrow and grief. Following the service, you are invited to join family and friends in the ERUCC Community Room for a time of refreshment and fellowship.

Service Notes

Officiating Pastor: Rev. Dr. Barbara Kershner Daniel
Senior Pastor, ERUCC

Organist: Ms. Alison E. Shafer
Director of Music and Organist, ERUCC