

*A Celebration of the Life of  
Robert George "Bob" Adams*

*October 23, 1965 – December 25, 2025*



*January 24, 2026*

*11:00 AM*

*ALL SAINTS EPISCOPAL CHURCH  
333 Tarpon Drive  
Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33301  
The Rev. Carl H. Beasley, Presider  
The Rev. Deacon Jon Owens, Preacher  
Dan Bishop, Organist*

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**PRELUDE**

**JEWISH BLESSING OF THE MOURNERS – DONNA DAMBROT, ESQ.**

Those who are worn out and crushed by this mourning, let your hearts consider this:  
This is the path that has existed from the time of creation and will exist forever.  
Many have drunk from it and many will yet drink.  
As was the first meal, so shall be the last.  
May the master of comfort you. Blessed are those who comfort the mourners.

**WE REMEMBER THEM – HON. LOUIS REINSTEIN, ESQ.**

At the rising sun and at its going down; We remember them.  
At the blowing of the wind and in the chill of winter; We remember them.  
At the opening of the buds and in the rebirth of spring; We remember them.  
At the blueness of the skies and in the warmth of summer; We remember them.  
At the rustling of the leaves and in the beauty of the autumn; We remember them.  
At the beginning of the year and when it ends; We remember them.  
As long as we live, they too will live, for they are now a part of us as We remember them. When we are weary and in need of strength; We remember them.  
When we are lost and sick at heart; We remember them.  
When we have decisions that are difficult to make; We remember them.  
When we have joy we crave to share; We remember them.  
When we have achievements that are based on theirs; We remember them.  
For as long as we live, they too will live, for they are now a part of us as, We remember them.

**REMARKS**

**ANDY LI  
MIKE PATTERSON  
HON. LUIS RIMOLI  
HON. LORI PARRISH**

**THE OPENING ACCLAMATION**

*All stand while the following anthem is said:*

I am Resurrection and I am Life, says the Lord.  
Whoever has faith in me shall have life, even though he die.  
And everyone who has life,  
and has committed himself to me in faith, shall not die for ever.  
As for me, I know that my Redeemer lives  
and that at the last he will stand upon the earth.  
After my awaking, he will raise me up;

and in my body I shall see God.  
I myself shall see, and my eyes behold him  
who is my friend and not a stranger.  
For none of us has life in himself,  
and none becomes his own master when he dies.  
For if we have life, we are alive in the Lord,  
and if we die, we die in the Lord.  
So, then, whether we live or die, we are the Lord's possession.  
Happy from now on are those who die in the Lord!  
So it is, says the Spirit, for they rest from their labors.

### THE OPENING HYMN

### My Latest Sun is Sinking Fast

William B. Bradbury

*(words and music are on the insert in the bulletin)*

Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Let us pray.

O God of grace and glory, we remember before you this day our brother Bob. We thank you for giving him to us, his family and friends, to know and to love as a companion on our earthly pilgrimage. In your boundless compassion, console us who mourn. Give us faith to see in death the gate of eternal life, so that in quiet confidence we may continue our course on earth, until, by your call, we are reunited with those who have gone before; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*The presider continues*

Most merciful God, whose wisdom is beyond our understanding: Deal graciously with Bob's family and friends in their grief. Surround them with your love, that they may not be overwhelmed by their loss, but have confidence in your goodness, and strength to meet the days to come; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

### THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

#### A READING FROM ECCLESIASTICS 3:1-8

For everything there is a season, and a time for every matter under heaven:

a time to be born, and a time to die;  
a time to plant, and a time to pluck up what is planted;  
a time to kill, and a time to heal;  
a time to break down, and a time to build up;  
a time to weep, and a time to laugh;  
a time to mourn, and a time to dance;  
a time to throw away stones, and a time to gather stones together;

a time to embrace, and a time to refrain from embracing;  
a time to seek, and a time to lose;  
a time to keep, and a time to throw away;  
a time to tear, and a time to sew;  
a time to keep silence, and a time to speak;  
a time to love, and a time to hate;  
a time for war, and a time for peace.

*Reader*      The Word of the Lord.

*People*      Thanks be to God.

## PSALM 91

*The Psalm will be read antiphonally by the half verse.*

- 1 He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High \*  
**abides under the shadow of the Almighty.**
- 2 He shall say to the LORD, "You are my refuge and my stronghold, \*  
**my God in whom I put my trust.**"
- 3 He shall deliver you from the snare of the hunter \*  
**and from the deadly pestilence.**
- 4 He shall cover you with his pinions,  
and you shall find refuge under his wings; \*  
**his faithfulness shall be a shield and buckler.**
- 5 You shall not be afraid of any terror by night, \*  
**nor of the arrow that flies by day;**
- 6 Of the plague that stalks in the darkness, \*  
**nor of the sickness that lays waste at mid-day.**
- 7 A thousand shall fall at your side and ten thousand at your right hand, \*  
**but it shall not come near you.**
- 8 Your eyes have only to behold \*  
**to see the reward of the wicked.**
- 9 Because you have made the LORD your refuge, \*  
**and the Most High your habitation,**
- 10 There shall no evil happen to you, \*  
**neither shall any plague come near your dwelling.**
- 11 For he shall give his angels charge over you, \*  
**to keep you in all your ways.**
- 12 They shall bear you in their hands, \*  
**lest you dash your foot against a stone.**
- 13 You shall tread upon the lion and the adder; \*  
**you shall trample the young lion and the serpent under your feet.**
- 14 Because he is bound to me in love, therefore will I deliver him; \*  
**I will protect him, because he knows my Name.**

15 He shall call upon me, and I will answer him; \*  
**I am with him in trouble; I will rescue him and bring him to honor.**

16 With long life will I satisfy him, \*  
**and show him my salvation.**

#### A READING FROM REVELATION 21:1-7

Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "See, the home of God is among mortals. He will dwell with them as their God; they will be his peoples, and God himself will be with them; he will wipe every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away." And the one who was seated on the throne said, "See, I am making all things new." Also he said, "Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true." Then he said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give water as a gift from the spring of the water of life. Those who conquer will inherit these things, and I will be their God and they will be my children."

*Reader*      The Word of the Lord.

*People*      **Thanks be to God.**

#### SEQUENCE HYMN 671

#### Amazing Grace

*New Britian*

#### THE GOSPEL

*Gospeler*      The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John 14:1-6.

*People*      **Glory to you Lord Christ.**

Jesus said to his disciples, "Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house there are many dwelling places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. And you know the way to the place where I am going." Thomas said to him, "Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?" Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me."

*Gospeler*      The Gospel of the Lord.

*People*      **Praise be to you, Lord Christ.**

#### HOMILY

**THE REV. DEACON JON OWENS**

*After the Homily the Presider says*

In the assurance of eternal life given at Baptism, let us proclaim our faith and say,  
*Presider and People*

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
Creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.**

**He was conceived by the Holy Spirit**

**And born of the Virgin Mary.**

**He 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 and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again 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 OF THE PEOPLE

For our brother Bob, let us pray to our Lord Jesus Christ who said, "I am the Resurrection and I am Life."

Lord, you consoled Martha and Mary in their distress; draw near to us who mourn for Bob; and dry the tears of those who weep.

***Hear us, Lord.***

You wept at the grave of Lazarus, your friend; comfort us in our sorrow.

***Hear us, Lord.***

You raised the dead to life; give to our brother eternal life.

***Hear us, Lord.***

You promised paradise to the thief who repented; bring our brother to the joys of heaven.

***Hear us, Lord.***

Comfort us in our sorrows at the death of our brother; let our faith be our consolation, and eternal life our hope.

*Presider*      Father of all, we pray to you for Bob, and for all those whom we love but see no longer. Grant to them eternal rest. Let light perpetual shine upon them. May his soul and the souls of all the departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

**Amen.**

## THE PEACE

Presider The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

*The People and Ministers greet each other in the name of the Lord.*

## HOLY COMMUNION

### EUCARISTIC PRAYER A

#### OFFERTORY HYMN

**You Shall Cross the Barren Desert**

*Bob Dufford*

*Kathy Dean - Soloist*

*(Soloist sings each verse, and the congregation is invited to sing the refrain.)*

1. You shall cross the barren desert, but you shall not die of thirst. You shall wander far in safety though you do not know the way. You shall speak your words in foreign lands and all will understand. You shall see the face of God and live.



2. If you pass through raging waters in the sea, you shall not drown, if you walk amid the burning flames, you shall not be harmed. If you stand before the pow'r of hell and death is at your side, know that I am with you through it all.

Refrain:

3. Blessed are your poor, for the kingdom shall be theirs. Blest are you that weep and mourn, for one day you shall laugh. And if wicked men insult and hate you all because of me, blessed, blessed are you!

Refrain:

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who rose victorious from the dead, and comforts us with the blessed hope of everlasting

life. For to your faithful people, O Lord, life is changed, not ended; and when our mortal body lies in death, there is prepared for us a dwelling place eternal in the heavens. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

*Presider and People say*

**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

*The people stand or kneel.*

*Then the Presider continues*

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

*Presider and People*

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

*Presider continues*

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,  
*People and Presider*

**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,  
for ever and ever. Amen.**

### THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

*The Presider breaks the consecrated Bread.*

*A period of silence is kept.*

### FRACTION ANTHEM

*Presider* Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

*People* **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

*Presider* The Gifts of God for the People of God.

### COMMUNION ANTHEM

### Here I Am, Lord

*Dan Schutte*

*(The choir will sing each verse, and the congregation is invited to sing the refrain.)*

I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my people cry. All who dwell in dark and sin  
my hand will save. I who made the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright.  
Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?



I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my people's pain. I have wept for love of them. They turn away. I will break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love alone. I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send?

Refrain:

I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame, I will set a feast for them. My hand will save. Finest bread I will provide till their hearts be satisfied. I will give my life for them. Whom shall I send?

Refrain:

*After Communion, the Presider says*

Let us pray.

*Presider and People*

Almighty God, we thank you that in your great love you have fed us with the spiritual food and drink of the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ, and have given us a foretaste of your heavenly banquet. Grant that this Sacrament may be to us a comfort in affliction, and a pledge of our inheritance in that kingdom where there is no death, neither sorrow nor crying, but the fullness of joy with all your saints; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

### THE COMMITTAL

*The Presider says*

Everyone the Father gives to me will come to me; I will never turn away anyone who believes in me. He who raised Jesus Christ from the dead will also give new life to our mortal bodies through his indwelling Spirit. My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spirit rejoices; my body also shall rest in hope. You will show me the path of life; in your presence there is fullness of joy, and in your right hand are pleasures for evermore.

*Then the Presider says these words*

In sure and certain hope of the resurrection to eternal life through our Lord Jesus Christ, we commend to Almighty God our brother Bob, and we commit his body to its resting place, earth to earth, ashes to ashes, dust to dust. The Lord bless him and keep him, the Lord make His face to shine upon him and be gracious to him, the Lord lift up His countenance upon him and give him peace. Amen.

*Presider*      The Lord be with you.

*People*      **And also with you.**

*Presider*      Let us pray.

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

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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,  
for ever and ever. Amen.**

*Other prayers may be added.*

**Rest eternal grant to him, O Lord;  
And let light perpetual shine upon him.  
May his soul, and the souls of all the departed,  
through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.**

#### **THE BLESSING**

#### **CLOSING HYMN 208**

**The Strife is O'er**

*Victory*

#### **THE DISMISSAL**

*Presider* Alleluia. Christ is risen.  
*People* **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.**  
*Presider* Let us go forth in the name of Christ.  
*People* **Thanks be to God.**

#### **VOLUNTARY**

**Everyone is invited to a reception  
In Neaverson Chapel following the service.**

*The liturgy for the dead is an Easter liturgy. It finds all meaning in the resurrection. Because Jesus was raised from the dead, we too, shall be raised. The liturgy, therefore, is characterized by joy, in the certainty that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord."*

*This joy, however, does not make human grief unchristian. The very love we have for each other in Christ brings deep sorrow when we are parted by death. Jesus himself wept at the grave of his friend. So, while we rejoice that one we love has entered into the nearer presence of our Lord, we sorrow in sympathy with those who mourn.*

*At the time of the Holy Eucharist, all are invited to the altar. All Baptized Christians are welcomed to partake of the Holy Meal and people of all faiths are invited to receive a blessing.*

***Robert George "Bob" Adams***  
***October 23, 1965 – December 25, 2025***

Robert George "Bob" Adams, beloved husband of Andy Li for three years, and daddy of his cat Missy. Preceded in death by his parents Robert and Eve, partner Brian Cirigliano, dear friend and "Mom" Rev. Jean French Russo, and cherished pets Lil Bear, Nicki, and Babette.

Bob was called home on Christmas Day, December 25, 2025, at the age of 60. Born in Miami, Bob was a proud lifelong South Floridian. He dedicated his life to public service and was a visionary and community leader. Bob was the Chair of Dania Beach Housing Authority for over a decade, overseeing its expansion and transformation from 39 units to over 200 units, serving many in need of affordable housing. He served on the Broward County Human Rights Board, advocating for the protection of minorities and LGBTQ communities. He also served on the Dania Beach Charter Review Board, and was active in Integrity. Bob worked in the Broward County Supervisor of Elections and was involved in the recount effort in 2000. He then worked in the Broward County Property Appraiser until his retirement.

Bob was a proud member of All Saints Episcopal Church in Fort Lauderdale. He dutifully served on the Vestry during the pivotal time when All Saints was searching for its next Rector. Bob was a member of the altar service team, serving as Eucharistic Minister, with his last service being the Christmas Eve Midnight Service in 2025. Bob also spearheaded the effort for the Senior Luncheon, providing fellowship times with his friends in the Parish. Bob was an active member of the LGBTQ Grief Loss Support Group, an online forum for grieving widows and widowers to seek support, where he provided insightful and comforting advice out of love and compassion. He will be interred at the columbarium at All Saints, where he will no doubt enjoy all the Angelic music from the church choir every week

# My Latest Sun Is Sinking Fast

Jefferson Hascall, 1860

William Batchelder Bradbury, 1862

1. My lat - est sun is sink - ing fast, My race is near-ly run; My  
2. I know I'm near the ho - ly ranks Of friends and kin - dred dear, For I  
3. I've al - most reached my heav - 'nly home, My spir - it loud-ly sings; Thy  
4. O bear my long - ing heart to Him, Who bled and died for me; Whose

*Refrain*

strong-est tri - als now are past, My tri - umph is be - gun.  
hear the waves on Jor - dan's banks, The cross-ing must be near. O come, an-gel band,  
ho - ly ones, be - hold, they come! I hear the noise of wings. blood now cleans-es from all sin, And gives me vic - to - ry.

Come and a - round me stand; O bear me a - way on your snow-y wings To my e - ter-nal

home; O bear me a - way on your snow-y wings To my e - ter-nal home.