

RAY NEIL DEARBORN

JANUARY 10TH, 1937 — JULY 7TH, 2024



Precious Lord, take my hand. Lead me on, let me stand.
I am tired, I am weak, I am worn;

Through the storm, through the night, Lead me on to the light:
Take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.

—*Thomas A. Dorsey*

A Service of Witness to the Resurrection

in Gratitude to God for the Life of

RAY NEIL DEARBORN

January 10th, 1937—July 7th, 2024

Child of God

August 3rd, 2024

Trinity Presbyterian Church

Hendersonville, North Carolina

Prelude

Call to Worship (*responsive*)

Psalm 121

Leader: I lift up my eyes to the hills; from where will my help come?

**People: My help comes from the LORD,
who made heaven and earth.**

Leader: He will not let your foot be moved;
he who keeps you will not slumber.

People: He who keeps Israel will neither slumber nor sleep.

Leader: The LORD is your keeper;
the LORD is your shade at your right hand.

**People: The sun shall not strike you by day,
nor the moon by night.**

Leader: The LORD will keep you from all evil;
he will keep your life.

**People: The LORD will keep your going out and your coming in
from this time on and forevermore.**

Statement on Witness to the Resurrection

Prayer of Praise

*Hymn 39

“Great Is Thy Faithfulness”

Psalm 23

read by Iris Zohan and Dean Wheless

Selected Scripture Readings

*Rev. Mark Stanley
Helena Wheless (Romans 8: 31-39)
Patrick Dearborn (2 Timothy 4: 6-8.)*

Reflections on the Life of Ray Dearborn

***Hymn 625**

“How Great Thou Art”

Affirmation of Faith (*unison*)

The Apostles’ Creed

**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 Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried;
he descended into hell;
the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church;
the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins;
the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Prayer of Thanksgiving and The Lord’s Prayer (*unison*)

**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 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 forever. Amen.**

***Hymn 8**

“Eternal Father, Strong to Save”

***Benediction**

Closing Voluntary

**Please stand in body or spirit.*

Please join the family for a reception following the Memorial service.

Special thanks to our organist, Stephen Klein

Lord Jesus Christ, from the cross your dying voice arose in a cry
that shook the foundations of the earth.

"IT IS FINISHED,"
you cried, and breathed your last.

"IT IS FINISHED,"
you cried, and a centurion was granted faith.

"IT IS FINISHED,"
you cried, and Joseph of Arimathea prepared you for burial.

"IT IS FINISHED,"
you cried, and your body was committed to the earth.

"IT IS FINISHED,"
you cried, and with the rising of the sun, the shaking of the earth,
the breaking of the seal and the rolling of the stone
you rose from death, no more to die.

"IT IS FINISHED,"
you cried, and call all to live on high with you ... forever.

Remind us, risen, living Lord, that when you cry
"It is finished," you really mean ...

IT IS JUST BEGUN! +++