

GOOD SHEPHERD ANGLICAN  
CORNELIUS, NORTH CAROLINA



**MEMORIAL SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE**

for the Lord's departed servant

**REV. AINSLIE B. WAGNER**

who entered earthly life on January 24, 1950.

He began his eternal life on February 5, 2025.

*“The Lord gives, and the Lord takes away; blessed be the name of the Lord.” (Job 1:21)*

*Liturgist* Most gracious and loving God who by the glorious resurrection of Your Son, Jesus Christ, destroyed death and brought life and immortality to light.

**Congregation** **Grant that your servant, Ainslie, being raised to new life in Christ, may know the strength of His presence, and rejoice in His eternal glory; who with You and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, forever and ever. Amen.**

### **“Your Borning Cry”**

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<p><b>VERSE 1</b> I was there to hear your borning cry, I'll be there when you are old. I rejoiced the day you were baptized To see your life unfold. I was there when you were but a child With a faith to suit you well; In a blaze of light you wandered off To find where demons dwell.</p>	<p><b>VERSE 2</b> When you heard the wonder of the Word I was there to cheer you on. You were raised to praise the living Lord, To whom you now belong. If you find someone to share your time And you join your hearts as one, I'll be there to make your verses rhyme From dusk 'till rising sun.</p>
<p><b>VERSE 3</b> In the middle ages of your life, Not too old, no longer young, I'll be there to guide you through the night, Complete what I've begun. When the evening gently closes in, And you shut your eyes, I'll be there as I have always been With just one more surprise.</p>	<p><b>VERSE 4</b> I was there to hear your borning cry, I'll be there when you are old. I rejoiced the day you were baptized To see your life unfold.</p>

### **GOD'S WORDS OF LIFE AND PROMISE**

*Liturgist* *For I know that my Redeemer lives, and at the last He will stand upon the earth. And after my skin has been thus destroyed, yet in my flesh I shall see God, Whom I shall see for myself, and my eyes shall behold, and not another. (Job 19:25-27)*

*For none of us lives to himself, and none of us dies to himself. For if we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord. So then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's. (Romans 14:7-9)*

*I am the resurrection and the life, says the Lord. Whoever believes in me, though he die, yet shall he live, and everyone who lives and though he die, yet shall he live, and everyone who lives and believes in me shall never die. (John 11:25-26)*

**“For All The Saints”**

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<p><b>VERSE 1</b>          For all the saints who from their labors rest          Who Thee by faith before the world confessed          Thy name O Jesus be forever blest          Alleluia Alleluia</p>	<p><b>VERSE 2</b>          Thou wast their rock their fortress and their          might          Thou Lord their captain in the well fought fight          Thou in the darkness drear their one true light          Alleluia Alleluia</p>
<p><b>VERSE 3</b>          O may Thy soldiers faithful true and bold          Fight as the saints who nobly fought of old          And win with them the victor's crown of gold          Alleluia alleluia</p>	

EULOGY *Mr. Matthew Wagner*

**“Children of the Heavenly Father”**

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<p><b>VERSE 1</b>          Children of the heavenly Father, safely In His          bosom gather;          Nestling bird nor star in Heaven such a refuge          e'er was given</p>	<p><b>VERSE 2</b>          God His own doth tend and nourish;          In Holy courts they flourish.          From all evil things He Spares them; In His          mighty arms He bears them.</p>
<p><b>VERSE 3</b>          Neither life nor death shall ever from the Lord          His children sever, Unto          them His grace He showeth, and their sorrows          all He knoweth.</p>	<p><b>VERSE 4</b>          Though he giveth or He taketh, God His Children          ne'er forsaketh, His the          loving purpose Solely To preserve them pure          and holy.</p>

HOMILY *Deacon Gina Roes*

RESPONSIVE PRAYER

*Liturgist* Almighty God, you knit together your elect in one communion and fellowship in the mystical body of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord: Grant, we pray, to your whole Church in heaven and on earth your light and peace.

**Congregation Lord, in Your mercy, hear our prayer.**

*Liturgist* Grant that all who have been baptized into Christ’s death and resurrection, may die to sin and rise to newness of life, that through the grave and gate of death we may pass with Him to our joyful resurrection.

**Congregation Lord, in Your mercy, hear our prayer.**

*Liturgist* Grant to us, who are still in our pilgrimage, and who walk as yet by faith, that Your Holy Spirit may lead us in holiness and righteousness, all our days.

**Congregation Lord, in Your mercy, hear our prayer.**

*Liturgist* Grant to your faithful people pardon and peace, that we may be cleansed from all our sins, and serve You forever in faithful obedience.

**Congregation Lord, in Your mercy, hear our prayer.**

*Liturgist* Grant to all who mourn, a sure confidence in Your fatherly care, that, casting their grief on You, they may know the consolation of Your love.

**Congregation Lord, in Your mercy, hear our prayer.**

*Liturgist* Help us, in the midst of things we cannot understand, to believe and trust in the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, and the resurrection to life everlasting.

**Congregation Lord, in Your mercy, hear our prayer.**

*Liturgist* Grant us grace to entrust Ainslie to Your never-failing love; receive him into the arms of Your wonderous mercy, and remember him according to the favor which You show to all your people.

**Congregation Lord, in Your mercy, hear our prayer.**

*Liturgist* Into Your hands, O merciful Savior, we commend your servant Ainslie. Acknowledge him, we humbly beseech You, as a sheep of Your own flock, and as a sinner of Your own redeeming. Receive Ainslie into the arms of Your mercy, into the blessed rest of everlasting peace, and into the glorious company of the saints in light. Alleluia, alleluia.

**Congregation Let us go forth in the Name of Christ. Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.**

***“I’m But A Stranger Here”***

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<b>VERSE 1</b> I'm but a stranger here, Heav'n is my home; Earth is a desert drear, Heav'n is my home. Danger and sorrow stand Round me on every hand; Heav'n is my fatherland, Heav'n is my home.	<b>VERSE 2</b> What though the tempest rage, Heav'n is my home; Short is my pilgrimage, Heav'n is my home. And time's wild wintry blast, soon shall be over past. I shalt reach home at last; Heav'n is my home;
<b>VERSE 3</b> Therefore I murmur not, Heav'n is my home; What e'er my earthly tot, Heav'n is my home. And I shall surely stand there at my Lord's right hand. Heaven is my fatherland, Heav'n is my home.	