



## Rev. John H. Johannes

January 18, 1931 - November 21, 2019

Psalm 139:16 Your eyes saw my unformed substance; in your book were written, every one of them, the days that were formed for me, when as yet there was none of them.

Rev. John H. Johannes was born on January 18, 1931, in Two Rivers, the son of Edward R. and Alma E. Wilsmann Johannes. Soon after, the God who redeemed John also sanctified him and called him His own child in the waters of baptism. John was raised and confirmed in the Christian faith, instilled with a trust in His savior that Jesus kept him in his entire life.

John 3:5-6, Jesus answered, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God. 6 That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit

Lord, Thee I love with all my heart;  
I pray Thee, ne'er from me depart,  
With tender mercy cheer me.  
Earth has no pleasure I would share,  
Yea, heav'n itself were void and bare  
If Thou, Lord, wert not near me.  
And should my heart for sorrow break,  
My trust in Thee can nothing shake.

Thou art the portion I have sought;  
Thy precious blood my soul has bought.  
Lord Jesus Christ, My God and Lord, my God and Lord,  
Forsake me not! I trust Thy Word.

In love for the Lord Jesus and His gospel, John devoted his studies to the scriptures in hopes of serving as a minister of the Word. He was a graduate of Northwestern Lutheran in Watertown and then of Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary in Mequon.

Genesis 2:24 Therefore a man shall leave his father and his mother and hold fast to his wife, and they shall become one flesh.

On August 10, 1958, he married Joanne L. Paulmann, at 1st German Lutheran Church in Manitowoc. The Lord blessed John and Joanne with seven children. John was a loving father, together with Joanne he raised his children to know and love the Lord.

Psalms 127:3-5, Behold, children are a heritage from the LORD, the fruit of the womb a reward. 4 Like arrows in the hand of a warrior are the children of one's youth. 5 Blessed is the man who fills his quiver with them!

John was called by the Lord of the Church to serve at various congregations during his ministry including: Trinity Lutheran Church, Neenah, Peace Lutheran, Isabell, SD, Grace Lutheran in Carlsbad, NM, Mt. Olive Lutheran in Lamar, CO and spent most of his years at Luther Memorial in Fond du Lac. He organized Peace Thru Christ in Middleton, Faith Ev. Lutheran in Cambridge, and served as a chaplain for a group home for the disabled in Madison. For the last few years John was a member at Living Hope Lutheran Church in Appleton. He enjoyed collecting stamps, was an avid gardener and enjoyed going camping.

Yea, Lord, 'twas Thy rich bounty gave  
My body, soul, and all I have  
In this poor life of labor.  
Lord, grant that I in ev'ry place  
May glorify Thy lavish grace  
And help and serve my neighbor.  
Let no false doctrine me beguile;  
And Satan not my soul defile.  
Give strength and patience unto me  
To bear my cross and follow Thee.  
Lord Jesus Christ, My God and Lord, my God and Lord,  
In death Thy comfort still afford.

Psalm 116:15, Precious in the sight of the LORD is the death of his saints.

Early in the morning on Thursday, November 21, 2019 while at home at Peabody Manor in Appleton, the Lord Jesus, in His tender love, called John to his eternal home. The day before, he listened to the Word which had been his comfort and trust his whole life. Though he could hardly speak at all, he sang along loudly with a number of hymns and then prayed the Lord's Prayer.

John is survived by his brother Edward Johannes of Valencia, CA, his wife Joanne Johannes of Appleton, his children: David (Karen) Johannes of Eau Claire, Timothy (Brenda) Johannes of Fond du Lac, John Johannes of Chippewa Falls, Beth (Jonathan) Sandeen of Chippewa Falls, Deborah (Mark) King of Appleton and Michael Johannes of Menesha; eight grandchildren, and four great-grandchildren,

1 Thessalonians 4:13-18 But we do not want you to be uninformed, brothers,

about those who are asleep, that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. 14 For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have fallen asleep. 15 For this we declare to you by a word from the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will not precede those who have fallen asleep. 16 For the Lord himself will descend from heaven with a cry of command, with the voice of an archangel, and with the sound of the trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ will rise first. 17 Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air, and so we will always be with the Lord. 18 Therefore encourage one another with these words.

John is preceded in death by his parents, his sister Elisabeth Bauer and his son, Mark Johannes.

Lord, let at last Thine angels come,  
To Abram's bosom bear me home,  
That I may die unfearing;  
And in its narrow chamber keep  
My body safe in peaceful sleep  
Until Thy reappearing.  
And then from death awaken me,  
That these mine eyes with joy may see,  
O Son of God, Thy glorious face,  
My Savior and my fount of grace.  
Lord Jesus Christ, my prayer attend, my prayer attend,  
And I will praise Thee without end.

VISITATION: Friends may call on Sunday, December 1, 2019, from 3-4 p.m. at Luther Memorial Church, Fond du Lac, WI.

FUNERAL: Funeral services will be held on Sunday, December 1, 2019, at 4:00 p.m. at Luther Memorial Church, Fond du Lac, WI, with Pastor David Ude officiating. Inurnment will be at Estabrooks Cemetery, Fond du Lac.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC 1. 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM (CT)

Luther Memorial Church  
134 21st Street  
Fond du Lac, WI 54935  
<http://www.fdllutheran.com/>

## Service

DEC 1. 4:00 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

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“ Heidi, Claire, Anthony, Julie, Jess, Anne, Kathie purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Rev. John H. Johannes.



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**Heidi, Claire, Anthony, Julie, Jess, Anne, Kathie** - November 25, 2019 at 10:06 AM



“ Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Rev. John H. Johannes.



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November 25, 2019 at 09:32 AM

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“ Dear Joanne and Family,

*My sister Mildred lives in Appleton and informed me of your loss. My deepest sympathy to you and your family. Joanne, I do get to Appleton several times each year and if you are interested I would very much like to make contact with you. It has been many years since our days as classmates at First German. My phone number is 715-924-3402. I am now living in Chetek, Wi just north of your children in Chippewa Falls and Eau Claire.*

*Elton Waack*

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**Elton Waack** - November 24, 2019 at 06:26 PM

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“ He was such a gentle man! We enjoyed visiting in the "stone" parsonage in Fond du Lac and then again when he served in Lawrenceville, GA. It was wonderful occasionally getting to see him at S. E. Pastoral Conferences. So glad for his Victory knowing that our Lord will continue to comfort you, his family!

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**Cheryl Davidson** - November 24, 2019 at 03:11 PM