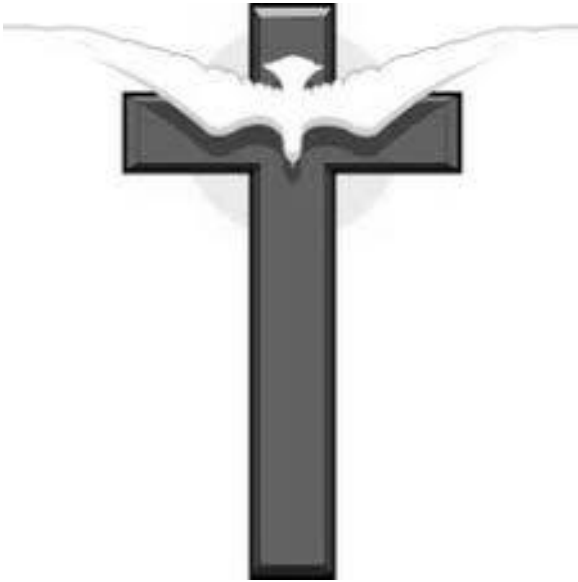


**Funeral Service**  
**In Thanksgiving for the Life of**  
**Donald Arthur Newsom**  
June 22, 1946 – June 12, 2026



**June 22, 2019 – 11:00am**

**Hosanna Lutheran Church**

**Officiating Pastor: Rev. Anna Thede**

## **PRELUDE**

### **GATHERING**

Welcome in the name of Jesus, the Savior of the world. We are gathered to worship, to proclaim Christ crucified and risen, to remember before God our brother Don, to give thanks for his life, to commend him to our merciful redeemer, and to comfort one another in our grief.

### **THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM**

When we were baptized in Christ, we were baptized into his death. We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, so that as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might live a new life. For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we shall certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his.

**HYMN:** ELW 581 – You Are Mine

**GREETING:** The Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**And also with you.**

**PRAYER OF THE DAY:** O God of grace and glory, we remember before you today, our brother Don Newsom. We thank you for giving him to us to know and to love as a companion in our pilgrimage on earth. In your boundless compassion, console us who mourn. Give us faith to see that death has been swallowed up in the victory of our Lord Jesus Christ, so that we may live in confidence and hope, until by your call, we are gathered to our heavenly home in the company of all your saints, through Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

### **MEMORIES OF DON**

**FIRST LESSON:** Proverbs 3:5-6

Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways submit to him, and he will make your paths straight.

**SECOND LESSON:** Philippians 4:6-7

Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the

peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

**GOSPEL:** John 3:16-17

For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him.

The Gospel of the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.**

**GOSPEL:** Matthew 11:28-30

“Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy and my burden is light.”

The Gospel of the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.**

**HOMILY**

**APOSTLES' CREED**

With the whole church, let us confess our faith.

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

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the virgin Mary,  
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,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come 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.**

## **PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION:**

Let us pray. Almighty God, in holy baptism you have knit your chosen people together into one communion of saints in the body of Christ. Give to your whole church in heaven and on earth your light and your peace.

God of mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**

Grant that all who have been baptized into Christ's death and resurrection may die to sin and rise to share the new life in Christ.

God of mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**

Give courage and faith to all who mourn, and a sure and certain hope in your loving care, that, casting all their sorrow on you, they may have strength for the days ahead.

God of mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**

Grant to us who are still in our pilgrimage, and who walk as yet by faith, that, where this world groans in grief and pain, your Holy Spirit may lead us to bear witness to your light and life.

God of mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**

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.

God of mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**

God of grace, we give you thanks because by his death  
Our Saviour Jesus Christ destroyed the power of death and  
By his resurrection opened the kingdom of heaven to all believers.  
Make us certain that because he lives we shall live also,  
And that neither death nor life,  
Nor things present nor things to come  
Shall be able to separate us from your love  
Which is in Christ Jesus our Lord,  
Who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
One God, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

## **LORD'S PRAYER**

**Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins  
As we forgive those who sin against us.  
Save us from the time of trial  
And deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power,  
And the glory are yours  
Now and forever. Amen.**

## **COMMENDATION:**

Let us commend our brother Don Newsom to the mercy of God, our maker and redeemer.

Into your hands, O merciful Savior, we commend your servant Don Newsom. Acknowledge we humbly beseech you, a sheep of your own fold, a lamb of your own flock, a sinner of your own redeeming, and a saint of your making. Receive him into the strong arms of your mercy, into the blessed rest of everlasting peace, and into the glorious company of the saints in light.

## **BLESSING:**

Almighty God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever. Amen.

**P:** Let us go forth in peace.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

**HYMN:** ELW 779 – Amazing Grace

*The family of Don Newsom wishes to thank you for your presence today, your prayers, and your expressions of sympathy.*

*Donald Arthur Newsom*  
*June 22, 1946 - June 12, 2026*

It is with great sadness that the family of Donald Newsom share the news of his passing at the age of 79.

Don is lovingly remembered by Linda Lejune, mother of Nathan (Janna), Kaylene, & Luke Newsom and Linda's grandchildren Kaylan & Kasen Newsom. His son-in-law Dana Langager, daughter-in-law Faye Langager; four grandchildren; Kent (Tanya) Williams, Derek Rouleau (Michelle), Deanna Schefter and Shandel Langager, great-grandchildren; Levi, Madison & Rowan Williams, Tyson Langager and Haley.

Don has gone to join his beloved wife Birdeen Newsom, son Larry Langager, and daughter Sandra Rouleau.

A memorial service will be held at Hosanna Lutheran Church, 9009 163 St NW, Edmonton, AB Monday, June 22, 2026 at 11:00a.m.

Don will be laid to rest beside his wife at Evergreen Memorial Gardens, 16102 Fort Rd NW, Edmonton, AB.

In lieu of flowers, donations in Donald's name may be made to Hosanna Lutheran Church.



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