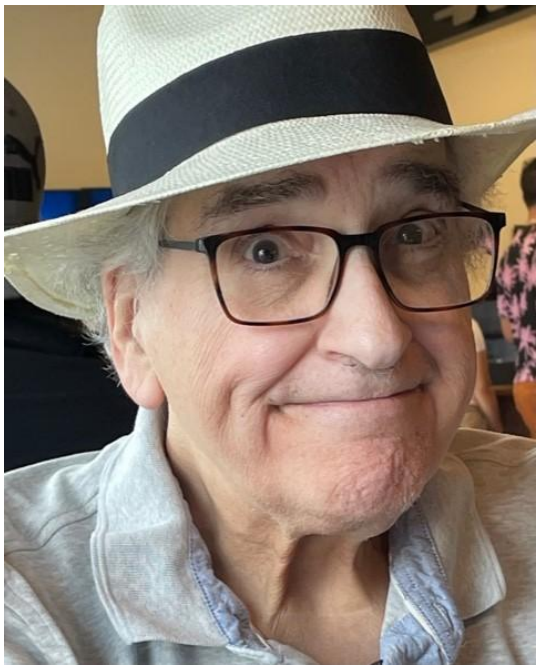
Funeral Service
In Thanksgiving for the Life of
Ray Hartley Janke

July 3, 1952 – October 22, 2026



November 9, 2026 – 1:30pm

Hosanna Lutheran Church

Officiating Pastor: **Rev. Dr. James Hendricksen**

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP *(Matthew 11:28-30; Exodus 19:4-5)*
P: And Jesus said, "Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest.
C: Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart,
P: And you will find rest for your souls.
C: For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."
P: You have heard Jesus' words, "Come to me." Do not bear your sorrow alone. Our Lord, Jesus Christ, is willing to bear your burdens with you. The Comforter, the Holy Spirit, can raise you above pain and grief of this world. God reminds us, "I bore you on eagles' wings and brought you to myself. Now therefore, if you obey my voice and keep my covenant, you shall be my treasured possession out of all the peoples."

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.

REMEMBRANCE OF BAPTISM:
All who have been baptized into Christ have put on Christ. In his baptism, Ray was clothed with Christ. In the day of Christ's coming, he shall be clothed in glory.

HYMN: ELW 556 – Morning Has Broken

PRAYER OF THE DAY: O God of grace and glory, we remember before you today, our brother Ray Janke. 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 RAY

FIRST LESSON: Ecclesiastes 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.

SECOND LESSON: Philippians 3:20-21

But our citizenship is in heaven, and it is from there that we are expecting a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ. He will transform the body of our humiliation that it may be conformed to the body of his glory, by the power that also enables him to make all things subject to himself.

GOSPEL: John 3:14-17

And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.

Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.

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

HOMILY

APOSTLES' CREED
With the whole church, let us confess our faith.

ALL: 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.

INTERCESSIONS:
Let us pray to our Lord Jesus Christ who said, "I am the resurrection and the life."

Jesus, fullness of compassion, you consoled Martha and Mary in their distress; draw near to us who mourn for Ray, and dry the tears of those who weep.
In your mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**

Jesus, man of sorrows, you wept at the grave of Lazarus your friend; comfort us who mourn.
In your mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**

Jesus, firstborn of the new creation, you raised the dead;
give to our brother Ray life eternal.
In your mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**

Jesus, wellspring of life, you washed our brother Ray in baptism and anointed him with the Holy Spirit;
give him communion with all your saints.
In your mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**

Jesus, bread of life, you nourished Ray at your table in earth;
welcome him at your table in the realm of heaven.
In your mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**

Jesus, bright morning star, comfort us in our sorrows at the death of Ray, let our faith be our consolation, and eternal life our hope.
In your 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 Ray Janke to the mercy of God, our maker and redeemer.

Into your hands, O merciful Savior, we commend your servant, Ray Janke. 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. **Amen.**

PRAYER
P: Lord, make us instruments of your peace.
Where there is hatred, let us sow love;
where there is injury, pardon;
where there is discord, union; where there is doubt, faith;
where there is despair, hope;
where there is darkness, light; where there is sadness, joy.
Grant that we may not so much seek to be consoled as to console;
to be understood as to understand;
to be loved as to love.
For it is in giving that we receive;
it is in pardoning that we are pardoned;
and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life.

COMMITTAL:
P: In sure and certain hope of the resurrection to eternal life through our Lord Jesus Christ, we commend to almighty God our brother Ray, and we commit his ashes to their final resting place.
The Lord bless him and keep him.
The Lord's face shine on him with grace and mercy.
The Lord look upon him with favor and give him peace.
P: Rest eternal grant him, O Lord;
C: and let light perpetual shine upon him.

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 773 – Precious Lord

The family of Ray Janke wishes to thank you for your presence today, your prayers, and your expressions of sympathy. They invite you to attend a light reception after the service.

Ray Hartley Janke

July 3, 1952 – October 22, 2026

It is with great sadness that we share that Ray Hartley Janke passed away October 22, 2026 at the age of 74.

Ray was a great husband, father, grandfather and a beautiful generous soul. Ray is pre-deceased by his wife, Trudy of 35 years, his parents Ernie and Hedy along with his granddaughter Tiffany. Survived by his daughter's Dawn, Gina, and Lisa (Frank), grandchildren Shawn (Vim), Michael, Rayna (Josh) and Frank Levi. Along with 4 great grandchildren.

Born on July 3 of 1952 in Rosenfeld Manitoba. Ray worked along side his Mom and Dad in their general store, farmed then attended Red River College business administration. Ray started at Zellers in 1973 he devoted 35 years before retiring.

Ray was devoted to his church community. Loved curling, watching sports, cooking carpentry and traveling.

Ray will be greatly missed by his family and friends. He was one of the most loving, forgiving and generous soul a person could ever meet.

In lieu of flowers we ask that donations be made to the CNIB or the Cancer foundation, Hosanna Lutheran Church, or to a charity of one's choice.

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