



To remember and to thank God for the life of
Stephen R. Daniel

September 15, 1942–April 15, 2021

April 24, 2021 | 2 p.m.

Prelude

“Pie Jesu” –Gabriel Fauré
Daniel Romero, Organ

“Song Without Words,” Op. 109 –Felix Mendelssohn
Adam Riggs, Cello
Daniel Romero, Piano

Welcome

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 Steve, 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 Jesus, 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.

Eternal God, maker of heaven and earth, who formed us from the dust of the earth, who by your breath gave us life, we glorify you.

We glorify you.

Jesus Christ, the resurrection and the life, who suffered death for all humanity, who rose from the grave to open the way to eternal life, we praise you.

We praise you.

Holy Spirit, author and giver of life, the comforter of all who sorrow, our sure confidence and everlasting hope, we worship you.

We worship you.

To you, O blessed Trinity, be glory and honor, forever and ever.

Amen.

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, Steve. 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.

A Life Remembered

Erik Daniel

Readings

Psalm 96:1–4

¹O sing to the LORD a new song;
sing to the LORD, all the earth.
²Sing to the LORD, bless his name;
tell of his salvation from day to day.
³Declare his glory among the nations,
his marvelous works among all the peoples.
⁴For great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised;
he is to be revered above all gods.

Psalm 139:7–10

⁷Where can I go from your spirit?
Or where can I flee from your presence?
⁸If I ascend to heaven, you are there;
if I make my bed in Sheol, you are there.
⁹If I take the wings of the morning
and settle at the farthest limits of the sea,
¹⁰even there your hand shall lead me,
and your right hand shall hold me fast.

1 Peter 4:8–11

⁸Above all, maintain constant love for one another, for love covers a multitude of sins. ⁹Be hospitable to one another without complaining. ¹⁰Like good stewards of the manifold grace of God, serve one another with whatever gift each of you has received. ¹¹Whoever speaks must do so as one speaking the very words of God; whoever serves must do so with the strength that God supplies, so that God may be glorified in all things through Jesus Christ. To him belong the glory and the power forever and ever. Amen.

Music

“Deep River” –African American Spiritual, arr. Harry T. Burleigh
Kurt Daniel, Baritone
Kirsten Daniel, Baritone Saxophone
Daniel Romero, Piano

Gospel

John 14:27

The holy gospel according to John. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

[Jesus said,] ²⁷“Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid.”

The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sermon

Pastor Ann Hultquist

Music

“Dona Nobis Pacem” –arr. by Ingrid Daniel
Ingrid Daniel, Erik Daniel, and Kurt Daniel, Handbells
Kirsten Daniel, Flute
Adam Riggs, Cello

Apostles' Creed

**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

To each petition the assembly responds:
God of mercy, **hear our prayer.**

*The presider concludes the prayers, and the assembly responds: **Amen.***

Lord's Prayer

**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 day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen.**

Commendation

Let us commend Steve to the mercy of God, our maker and redeemer.

Silence is kept.

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

Let us go forth in peace, **in the name of Christ. Amen.**

Postlude

“Sicilienne” –Maria-Theresia von Paradis
Adam Riggs, Cello
Daniel Romero, Piano

Committal

Liturgy from Sundays and Seasons.com. Copyright 2021 Augsburg Fortress. All rights reserved. Reprinted by permission under Augsburg Fortress Liturgies Annual License #26527.

New Revised Standard Version Bible, copyright 1989, Division of Christian Education of the National Council of the Churches of Christ in the United States of America. Used by permission. All rights reserved.

A Life Remembered...

Stephen R. Daniel

Stephen (Steve) Daniel, beloved husband, father, grandfather, and friend to many, died suddenly on 15 April 2021 after a brief, valiant battle with acute leukemia. Here we recount many elements of his rich life.

Early Years

Steve was born 15 September 1942 in Sterling, Colorado. At age 5, he sailed with his Mom and 2-year-old sister, Diane, on a freighter from Los Angeles to Saudi Arabia to join his Dad who worked for the Arabian American Oil Company. The trip took over 30 days with only one stop in what was then called Ceylon to take on water. In 1946–47, there were no docks. The freighter stopped offshore in the gulf and was met by dhows with men who helped the women and children climb down the rope ladders into the smaller boats. When they rowed even nearer to the shore, the dhows were grounded and the women and children and their baggage were carried through the shallow water to shore.

At that time, Aramco provided schooling only through 8th grade, so Steve continued his education at the International School in Geneva where most classes were conducted in French. Later, his father was transferred to The Hague and Steve attended the International School there for what we would call “high school.” His adventures included sailing on the canals, rebuilding a Bromfitz motorcycle, and bartending at embassy parties with his friend who was the son of the Canadian Military Attaché. One time a distinguished older gentleman asked if the boys wanted to play tennis with him. It was Clark Gable.

Colorado School of Mines

Steve returned to the USA to attend college at the Colorado School of Mines. He earned the degrees B.S. Engineering Chemistry in 1965, M.S. Chemistry in 1966, and Ph.D. Chemistry in 1971. He was immediately hired to teach in the

department and became Head of the Department of Chemistry and Geochemistry in 1988, continuing until 2001. He taught most of the chemistry courses offered over the years and advised many graduate students, with whom he coauthored a number of respected papers, primarily focused on stability of hydrocarbon-based fuels (e.g. jet fuel). Some of the methods he developed for stabilization of fuels are standard practice today.

In addition to his work in the Chemistry/Geochemistry Department, Steve (with Linda) taught “Conflicts in the Human Condition” in the McBride Honors Program for 18 years. His involvement with Honors included serving as Interim Principal Tutor and Director.

A unique contribution to the CSM community was Steve’s work with Mines Little Theatre over nearly a 40 year span. He was not only the faculty advisor, but directed and produced dozens of plays and musicals, helped students design and build scenery, and famously acted in productions while Linda coached singing and acting and made costumes. He will be remembered for his roles of the Indian in CUCKOOS NEST, Osgood in SUGAR, Moonface in ANYTHING GOES, Applegate in DAMN YANKEES, Big Jule in GUYS AND DOLLS, and a gangster singing “Brush Up Your Shakespeare” in KISS ME KATE.

Steve also participated with much hilarity in writing the Faculty Follies in which he also acted and sang. He sang with the CSM chorus for many years, meeting conductor and composer George Lynn who became his private voice teacher.

Steve and Linda hosted many cast parties, chorus parties, and faculty dinners. Their own children enjoyed meeting a variety of interesting and creative guests and were often conscripted to help with productions.

Family

When Steve married Linda Hulsen in 1964, they became a team in most all endeavors (including Honors Program teaching and theater productions mentioned above). They had four children, all of whom have science-related careers and are amateur musicians. They are: Ingrid Daniel, science teacher and STEAM specialist; Kirsten Daniel, pharmaceutical chemist and agricultural expert, Erik Daniel Ph.D., physicist & electrical engineer; Kurt Daniel D.O., interventional cardiologist. Erik is married to Tanja (pharmacist). Their children are Jessica, Kevin, and Ryan. Kurt is married to Amber (nephrologist). Their children are Ben and Naia. The grandchildren brought Steve much joy.

Church

The Daniel family joined Augustana Lutheran Church in Denver twice with an interim at Faith Lutheran in Golden.

At both churches, Steve sang Bass II in the choir, served on the church council, and was a popular lector who spoke with the resonant “voice of God.” At Augustana, he taught the Bethel Bible Series, a class for Young Adults, and was a member of the finance committee.

“Faith on Stage” was a program instituted by Linda and Steve at Faith Lutheran featuring plays produced for and by kids and adults. The purpose was not only fellowship and entertainment, but learning about issues and dissecting and studying the characters that were portrayed. It was a way to examine the influence of the church on the world.

Community

Steve and Linda taught drama classes for the enrichment program at Stober Elementary in Lakewood. Steve worked with the kindergarten age group teaching them their lines by rote since they could not read. It was charming to see the big 6-footer teaching a 5-year-old-little-girl-witch how to cackle!

Awards

Steve was recognized for his contributions to chemical education. He was an excellent teacher, never reusing lecture notes, but always composing new ones each time he taught a class. He could make difficult subjects understandable and interesting to students who had difficulties. He has been called “a scholar’s scholar.”

His awards, include the CSM Alumni Award, AMOCO Foundation’s Outstanding Teaching Award in 1975 and 1979, the CSM Alumni Outstanding Faculty Member Award in 1993, 1998, and 1999, and the Ange Mellaragno Service Award for Outstanding Contribution to the McBride



Honors Program in 1995. He published extensively in the fields of Environmental Chemistry, Fuels/Petrochemistry, and Chemistry Education.

Personal

Steve loved music of all kinds, classical, jazz, spirituals—not country/Western! While he recovered from two knee replacements, the kids rented a cello and arranged for lessons so he would have something interesting to do. Cello became an important part of his life. His talented (and incredibly patient) cello teacher (Adam Riggs, Ph.D.) will be performing at the memorial service.

Steve’s full and exciting life was shared by his wife, kids, and grandchildren (mentioned above), and also by his sister, Diane (Daniel) Fryrear.

Memorial

We invite those interested
to contribute to one of the following charities
in Steve's honor:

Lutheran World Relief

(<https://lwr.org/>)

a foundation grounded in Lutheran theology,
battling global poverty

Donations accepted online at above web address

Teach@Mines

(<https://www.mines.edu/teacherprep/>)

contributions support programs aimed at
engaging and interesting young students
in science and technology

Checks made out to
Colorado School of Mines Foundation, Inc.

Sent to

P.O. Box 912031

Denver, CO 80291-2031

Specify donation is to Teach@Mines
in honor of Stephen Daniel
on the memo line of the check
and in a brief enclosed note

Inurnment

Augustana Memorial Garden
Denver, Colorado

Worship Leaders

Preacher: Pastor Ann Hultquist

Presider: Pastor Caitlin Trussell

Organ/Piano: Daniel Romero

Cello: Adam Riggs, Ph.D.

Baritone: Kurt Daniel

Handbells: Ingrid Daniel, Erik Daniel, Kurt Daniel

Flute/Baritone Saxophone: Kirsten Daniel