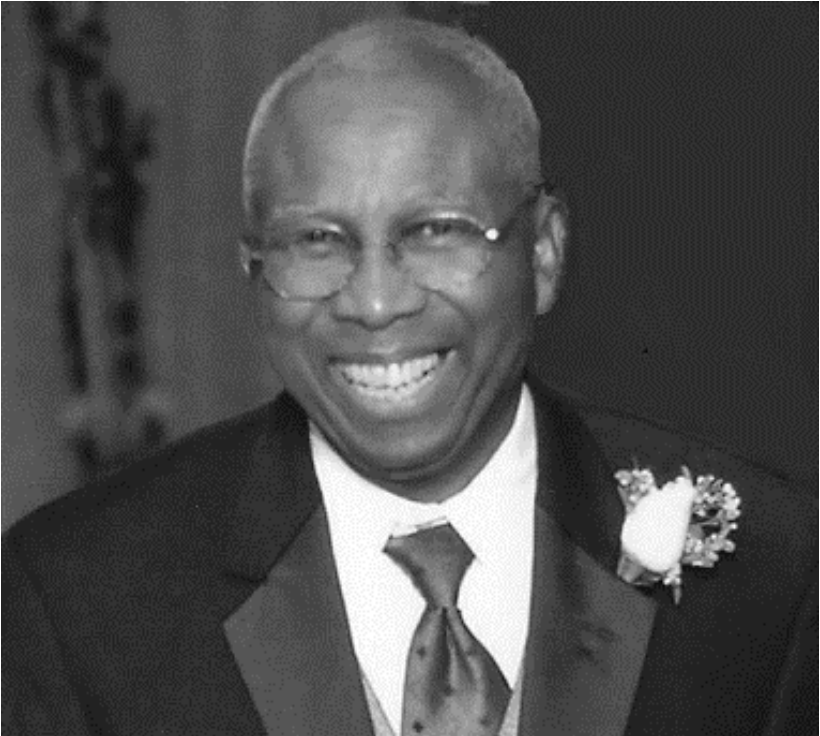


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Friday September 6, 2019  
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Music by Hi-Life Steel Orchestra

THE SENTENCES

I am Resurrection and I am Life, says the Lord.  
Whoever has faith in me shall have life,  
even though he die.  
And everyone who has life,  
and is committed to me in faith,  
shall not die for ever. (John 11.25–26)

Let not your hearts be troubled;  
believe in God, believe also in me.  
In my Father's house are many rooms;  
if it were not so, would I have told you  
that I go to prepare a place for you?  
And when I go and prepare a place for you,  
I will come again and will take you to myself,  
that where I am you may be also. (John 14.1–3)

I am sure that neither death, nor life,  
nor angels, nor principalities,  
nor things present, nor things to come,  
nor powers, nor height, nor depth,  
nor anything else in all creation,  
will be able to separate us from the love of God  
in Christ Jesus our Lord. (Romans 8.38–39)

MEMORIAL REFLECTIONS

Kris Ramchandrar, Honorary Consul Trinidad & Tobago  
Cynthia Manswell

Jennifer Young  
Lloyd Mullings  
Kelsley Grant/Amanda Benson/Kristelle Blackwood

*Common Praise #381 - Praise my soul the king of heaven*

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
and the love of God,  
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,  
be with you all.

**And also with you.**

O God, the maker and redeemer of all,  
grant us, with your servant Cecil,  
and all the faithful departed,  
the sure benefits of your Son's saving passion  
and glorious resurrection; that in the last day,  
when you gather up all things in Christ,  
we may with them enjoy the fullness of your promises;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
God for ever and ever. **Amen.**

PSALM 121

I lift up my eyes to the hills;  
from where is my help to come?

**My help comes from the Lord,  
the maker of heaven and earth.**

The Lord will not let your foot be moved  
and the One who watches over you will not fall asleep.

Behold, the Lord who keeps watch over Israel  
shall neither slumber nor sleep;

**It is the Lord who watches over you;  
the Lord is your shade at your right hand,**

So that the sun shall not strike you by day,  
nor the moon by night.

**The Lord shall preserve you from all evil;  
it is the Lord who shall keep you safe.**

The Lord shall watch over your going out and your coming in,  
from this time forth for evermore.

## THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

Wisdom 3:1-6 – Bertrand Francis

The Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

John 14:1-6 – Chris Trott

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ  
according to John.

**Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

*At the conclusion of the Gospel, the reader says,*

The Gospel of Christ,  
**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Homily – Jamie Howison

## THE APOSTLES' CREED

Let us confess the faith of our baptism, as we say,

**I believe in God,  
the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.  
I believe in Jesus Christ,  
his only Son, our Lord.**

**He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit  
and born of the Virgin Mary.  
He 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,  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again  
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.**

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE  
Kaylene and Olexa Blackwood

God of grace and glory, we thank you the life of Cecil, who was so near and dear to us, and who in his death has now been taken from us.

We thank you for the friendship he gave and for the strength and peace he brought.

We thank you for the love he offered and received while he was with us in this life.

We pray that nothing good in Cecil's life will be lost, but will be of benefit to the world; that all that was important to him will be respected by those who follow; and that everything in which he was great will continue to mean much to us now that he has died.

We ask you that he may go on living in his children, his family and his friends; in our hearts and minds, in our courage and consciences.

We ask you that we who were close to him may now, because of his death, be even closer to each other, and that we may, in peace and friendship here on earth, always be deeply conscious of your promise to be faithful to us in death.

May God grant us courage and confidence in the new life of Christ. We ask this in the name of the risen Lord. **Amen.**

## THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
**And also with you.**

## THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

*Common Praise #484 – In Christ there is no east or west*

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Blessed are you, gracious God,  
creator of heaven and earth;  
we give you thanks and praise  
through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
whose victorious rising from the dead  
has given to us the hope of resurrection  
and the promise of eternal life.

Therefore with angels and archangels  
and all who have served you in every age,  
we raise our voices  
to proclaim the glory of your name.

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,  
God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.**

We give thanks to you, Lord our God,  
for the goodness and love  
you have made known to us in creation;  
in calling Israel to be your people;  
in your Word spoken through the prophets;  
and above all in the Word made flesh,  
Jesus your Son.

For in these last days you sent him  
to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary,  
to be the Saviour and Redeemer of the world.  
In him, you have delivered us from evil,  
and made us worthy to stand before you.  
In him, you have brought us  
out of error into truth,  
out of sin into righteousness,  
out of death into life.

On the night he was handed over  
to suffering and death,  
a death he freely accepted,  
our Lord Jesus Christ took bread;  
and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it,

and gave it to his disciples, and said,  
“Take, eat: this is my body, which is given for you.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.”  
After supper he took the cup of wine;  
and when he had given thanks,  
he gave it to them, and said,  
“Drink this, all of you: this is my blood of the new covenant,  
which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.  
Whenever you drink it,  
do this for the remembrance of me.”

Therefore, Father, according to his command,  
**we remember his death,**  
**we proclaim his resurrection,**  
**we await his coming in glory;**

and we offer our sacrifice  
of praise and thanksgiving  
to you, Lord of all;  
presenting to you, from your creation,  
this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God,  
to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts,  
that they may be the sacrament of the body of Christ  
and his blood of the new covenant.  
Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice,  
that we, made acceptable in him,  
may be sanctified by the Holy Spirit.  
In the fullness of time,  
reconcile all things in Christ,  
and make them new,  
and bring us to that city of light  
where you dwell with all your sons and daughters;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
the firstborn of all creation,



the head of the Church,  
and the author of our salvation;  
by whom, and with whom, and in whom,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
all honour and glory are yours,  
almighty Father, now and for ever.  
**Amen.**

Now as our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray,

**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,  
the power, and the glory,  
for ever and ever. Amen.**

This is the bread which has come down from heaven.  
**Those who eat this bread will live for ever.**

The gifts of God for the people of God.  
**Thanks be to God.**

*Communion is shared*

Joie de Vivre Choir – *Ave Verum*  
*Common Praise #197 – Oh dearest lord*

## THE COMMENDATION

**Give rest, O Christ, to your servant with your saints,  
where sorrow and pain are no more,  
neither sighing, but life everlasting.**

You only are immortal, the creator and maker of all;  
and we are mortal, formed of the earth,  
and to earth shall we return.

For so did you ordain when you created me, saying,  
“You are dust, and to dust you shall return.”

All of us go down to the dust;  
yet even at the grave we make our song:  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

**Give rest, O Christ, to your servants with your saints,  
where sorrow and pain are no more,  
neither sighing, but life everlasting.**

Into your hands, O merciful Saviour,  
we commend your servant Cecil  
Acknowledge, we pray, 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.**

Choir - *God be in my head*

The Blessing

Common Praise #276 - *For all the saints*

Go in peace, to love and serve the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

*Immediately following this service we will process to the churchyard for the interment, to which all are most welcome.*

*We will then gather in the lower level church hall for the reception.*

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CECIL EDMUND GRANT  
BSc, B Ed, M Ed, PhD  
*May 24, 1935 – August 23, 2019*

On Friday, August 23, 2019 at the Victoria Hospital, Cecil Grant, beloved husband of Patsy, passed away at the age of 84 years. Along with his wife of 52 years, left behind to mourn his death are his children Kelsley (Teresa), Amanda (Graham), and Kristelle; grandchildren Kaylene, Olexa, Elijah, Ella, Eamon, and Keira; siblings Juanita, Rufina, Carmen, Norma, Veronica, Herman, Hillary, and Bertrand; brother-in-law Glenroy, special friend Herbert, and many extended family and friends.

Cecil was predeceased by his mother Masclin Francis, father Thomas Grant, in-laws Gwendolyn and Archibald Herbert; siblings Agatha, Henry, Matthew, and Judith.

Cecil was born in Todds Road, Trinidad and Tobago. He taught in the schools of Trinidad for six years before migrating to Canada in 1961 to further his education. He obtained a Bachelor of Science (math major), a Bachelor of Education, Master of Education, and Doctor of Philosophy (mathematics education). Cecil worked as a high school mathematics teacher from 1965 to 1999 – and during this period was chosen to address the graduating class 11 times. Cecil’s desire to share his knowledge went far beyond the confines of the classroom. In 1965 he helped to organize and tutor domestic workers with the aim of improving their academic standings and from 1962 to 1965 served on the

executive of the University's West Indian Students Association. He was the recipient of the Prime Ministers' Award for Excellence in Math, Science and Technology and the Murray McPherson Award for Distinguished Service in Mathematics Education.

Cecil was also very committed to the church and his community. He served as a member of All Saints' Church leadership team for over 10 years and was an active member of St. Paul's Anglican church for the past 10 years. He was a Founding member of the Caribbean Canadian Association of Winnipeg and the first Students' Homework Tutorial in Manitoba. He was a member of the organizing committee for the first Carnival Street Parade in Manitoba and was commissioned by the Manitoba Museum in 1986 as writer and researcher of a Carnival project entitled *Time and the River of Rhythm*. From 2001 to 2003 he served as president of the Trinidad and Tobago Society.

Cecil was a dedicated family man with a warm and nurturing soul. He loved to laugh and especially loved to dance. His wisdom and gentle nature will be greatly missed. We were truly blessed to have had him in our lives.

Rest in peace Papa.