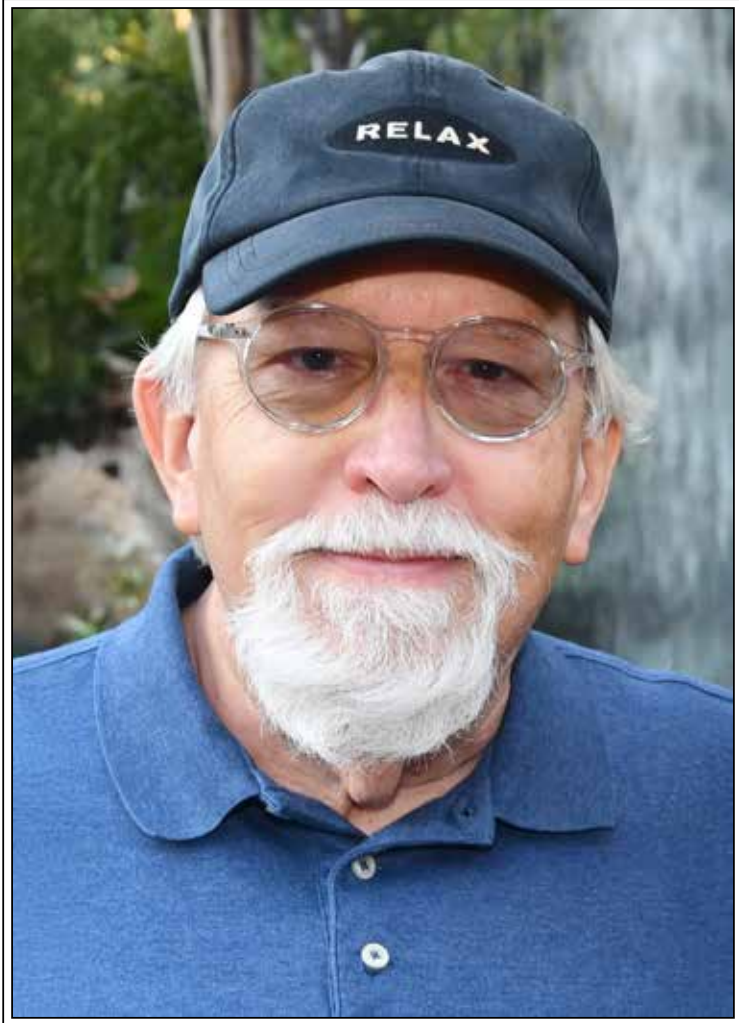


IN CELEBRATION OF THE LIFE OF  
CHARLES ALLEN HOWELL, JR.  
JULY 3, 1950— FEBRUARY 15, 2025



FEBRUARY 22, 2025  
3:00 P.M.  
ST. MARK'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH  
680 CALDER STREET  
BEAUMONT, TEXAS

Prelude

Opening Hymn 376

*“Joyful, joyful we adore thee”  
(Please stand and join in singing.)*

*Hymn to Joy*

1 Joy - ful, joy - ful, we a - dore thee, God of glo - ry, Lord of love;  
 2 All thy works with joy sur-round thee, earth and heaven re - flect thy rays,  
 3 Thou art giv - ing and for - giv - ing, ev - er bless - ing, ev - er blest,

hearts un - fold like flowers be - fore thee, prais - ing thee, their sun a - bove.  
 stars and an - gels sing a - round thee, cen - ter of un - bro - ken praise.  
 well - spring of the joy of liv - ing, o - cean - depth of hap - py rest!

Melt the clouds of sin and sad - ness; drive the dark of doubt a - way;  
 Field and for - est, vale and moun - tain, bloom - ing mea - dow, flash - ing sea,  
 Thou our Fa - ther, Christ our Bro - ther: all who live in love are thine;

giv - er of im - mor - tal glad - ness, fill us with the light of day.  
 chant - ing bird and flow - ing foun - tain, call us to re - joice in thee.  
 teach us how to love each o - ther, lift us to the joy di - vine.

*The Celebrant says*

I am the Resurrection and I am the Life, says the Lord.  
Whoever has faith in me shall have life,  
even though he die.  
And everyone who has life,  
and has committed himself to me in faith,  
shall not die for ever.

As for me, I know that my Redeemer lives  
and that at the last he will stand upon the earth.  
After my awaking, he will raise me up;  
and in my body I shall see God.  
I myself shall see, and my eyes behold him  
who is my friend and not a stranger.

For none of us has life in himself,  
and none becomes his own master when he dies.  
For if we have life, we are alive in the Lord,  
and if we die, we die in the Lord.  
So, then, whether we live or die,  
we are the Lord's possession.

Happy from now on  
are those who die in the Lord!  
So it is, says the Spirit,  
for they rest from their labors.

*Celebrant*     The Lord be with you.

*People*         **And also with you.**

*Celebrant*     Let us pray.

O God of grace and glory, we remember before you this day our brother Charles. We thank you for giving him to us, his family and friends, to know and to love as a companion on our earthly pilgrimage. In your boundless compassion, console us who mourn. Give us faith to see in death the gate of eternal life, so that in quiet confidence we may continue our course on earth, until, by your call, we are reunited with those who have gone before; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

*Please be seated.*

**A Reading from the Book of Lamentations (3:22-26, 31-33) Laurie Leister**

The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases, his mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness. “The Lord is my portion,” says my soul, “therefore I will hope in him.” The Lord is good to those who wait for him, to the soul that seeks him. It is good that one should wait quietly for the salvation of the Lord.

For the Lord will not reject forever. Although he causes grief, he will have compassion according to the abundance of his steadfast love; for he does not willingly afflict or grieve anyone.

*Reader*                    The Word of the Lord.

*People*                    **Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm 23** (*Read in unison.*)

**Charles Howell IV**

**The Lord is my shepherd; \***

**I shall not want.**

**He maketh me to lie down in green pastures; \***

**he leadeth me beside the still waters.**

**He restoreth my soul; \***

**he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his**

**Name's sake.**

**Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,**

**I will fear no evil; \***

**for thou art with me;**

**thy rod and thy staff, they comfort me.**

**Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of**

**mine enemies;\***

**thou anointest my head with oil,**

**my cup runneth over.**

**Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days**

**of my life; \***

**and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.**

## A Reading from the Book of Revelation (21:2-7)

Gerald Richardson

And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "See, the home of God is among mortals. He will dwell <sup>F76</sup> with them; they will be his peoples, and God himself will be with them; he will wipe every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away." And the one who was seated on the throne said, "See, I am making all things new." Also he said, "Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true." Then he said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give water as a gift from the spring of the water of life. Those who conquer will inherit these things, and I will be their God and they will be my children.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

## Hymn 671

"Amazing grace! how sweet the sound"

New Britain

*(Please stand and join in singing.)*

1 A - maz - ing grace! how sweet the sound, that  
2 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and  
3 The Lord has prom - ised good to me, his  
4 Through man - y dan - gers, toils, and snares, I  
\*5 When we've been there ten thou - sand years, bright

1 saved a wretch like me! I once was lost but  
2 grace my fears re - lieved; how pre - cious did that  
3 word my hope se - cures; he will my shield and  
4 have al - lea - dy come; 'tis grace that brought me  
5 shin - ing as the sun, we've no less days to

1 now am found, was blind but now I see.  
2 grace ap - pear the hour I first be - lieved!  
3 por - tion be as long as life en - dures.  
4 safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.  
5 sing God's praise than when we'd first be - gun.

*The melody may be sung in canon at distances of either two or three beats.*

**The Gospel** (*The people stand.*)

*Gospeler*

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

*People*

**Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Everything that the Father gives me will come to me, and anyone who comes to me I will never drive away; for I have come down from heaven, not to do my own will, but the will of him who sent me. And this is the will of him who sent me, that I should lose nothing of all that he has given me, but raise it up on the last day. This is indeed the will of my Father, that all who see the Son and believe in him may have eternal life; and I will raise them up on the last day.” *John 6:37-40*

*Gospeler*

The Gospel of the Lord.

*People*

**Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

**Family Remarks**

Charles Howell III and Charles Howell IV

**The Homily**

The Reverend Keith Giblin

**The Apostles’ Creed** (*Remain standing and join in unison.*)

**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** (*Remain standing.*)

For our brother Charles, let us pray to our Lord Jesus Christ who said, “I am the Resurrection and I am the Life.”

Lord, you consoled Martha and Mary in their distress; draw near to us who mourn for Charles, and dry the tears of those who weep. **Hear us, Lord.**

You wept at the grave of Lazarus, your friend, comfort us in our sorrow. **Hear us, Lord.**

You raised the dead to life; give to our brother eternal life. **Hear us, Lord.**

You promised paradise to the thief who repented; bring our brother to the joys of heaven. **Hear us, Lord.**

Our brother was washed in Baptism and anointed with the Holy Spirit; give him fellowship with all your saints. **Hear us, Lord.**

He was nourished with your Body and Blood; grant him a place at the table in your heavenly kingdom. **Hear us, Lord.**

Comfort us in our sorrows at the death of our brother; let our faith be our consolation, and eternal life our hope.

Celebrant      Almighty God, Father of mercies and giver of comfort: Deal graciously, we pray, with all who mourn; that, casting all their care on you, they may know the consolation of your love; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### **The Blessing**



# Closing Hymn 362 “Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty”

*Nicea*

1 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord — God Al - might - y!  
 \*2 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! All the saints a - dore thee,  
 3 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Though the dark - ness hide thee,  
 4 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord — God Al - might - y!

Ear - ly in the morn - ing our song shall rise to thee:  
 cast - ing down their gold - en crowns a - round the glass - y sea;  
 though the sin - ful hu - man eye thy glo - ry may not see,  
 All thy works shall praise thy Name, in earth, and sky, and sea;

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Mer - ci - ful and might - y,  
 cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim fall - ing down be - fore thee,  
 on - ly thou art ho - ly; there is none be - side thee,  
 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Mer - ci - ful and might - y,

God in three Per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty.  
 which wert, and art, and ev - er - more shalt be.  
 per - fect in power, in love, and pu - ri - ty.  
 God in three Per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty.

## The Dismissal

*Celebrant* Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

*People* Thanks be to God.

## Postlude





**CHARLES ALLEN HOWELL, JR.**, 74, of Beaumont, died Saturday, February 15, 2025. He was born on July 3, 1950, in Beaumont, to Virginia Collier and Charles Allen Howell, Sr.

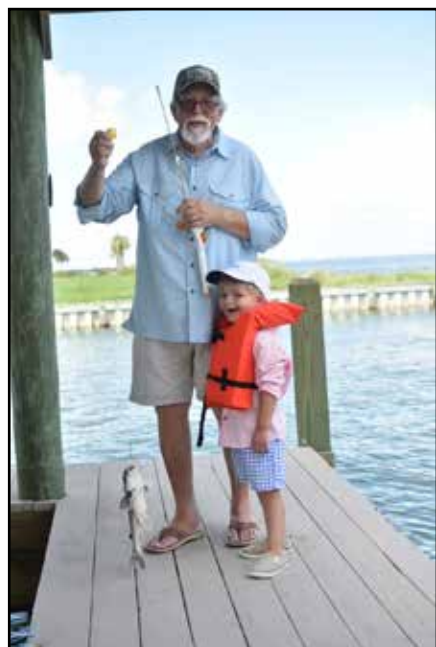
Survivors include his wife of forty-five years, Elizabeth “Liz” Howell; sons, Charles “Charlie” Allen Howell III, and his wife, Rachel; and Joseph Collier Howell and his wife, Caitlin; grandchildren, Charles “Charlie” Allen Howell, IV; Mary Elizabeth “Mimi” Howell; and Betty Katherine Howell; sister, Caroline Howell-Lee; mother-in-law, Betty Perkins Wells; and numerous nieces, nephews, and great-nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents; and father-in-law, Peter Boyd Wells.







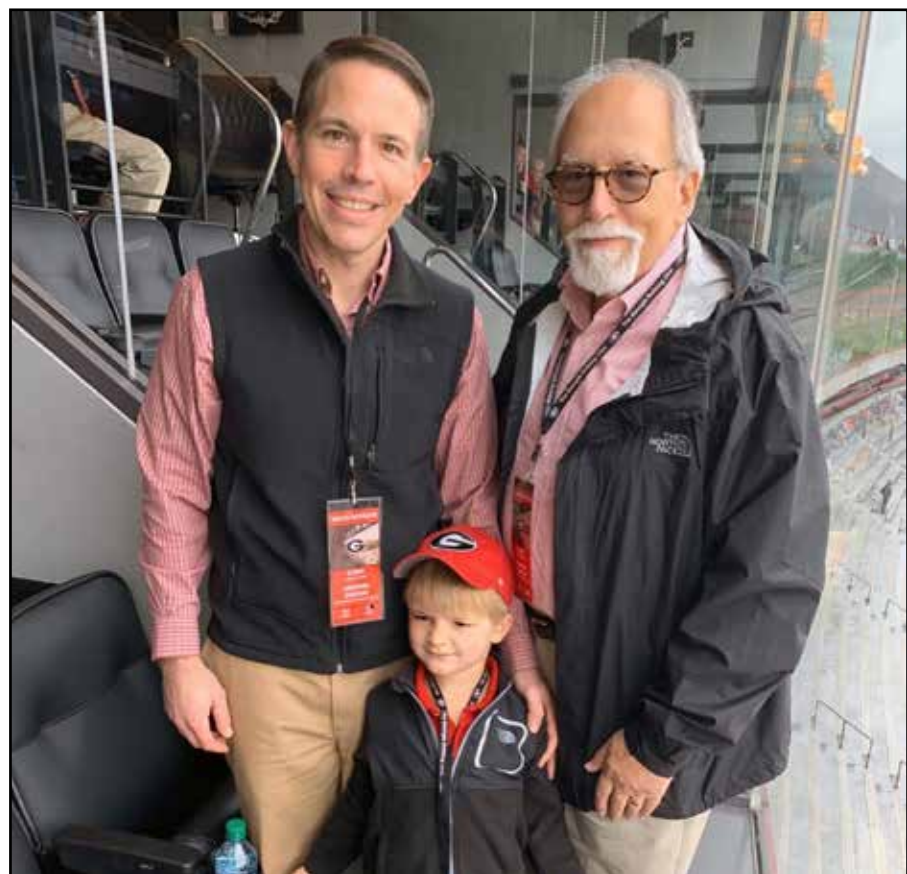






















**Pallbearers**

Tom Combs

Jim Hayes

Scott Holtmyer

Newton Hopkins

Curtis Leister

Robert Wade

**Interment**

Magnolia Cemetery

Beaumont, Texas

**Memorial Contributions**

St. Mark's Episcopal Church Music Fund

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