

Job 19:25-26 "I know thy my redeemer lives, and that in the end he will stand on the earth. And after my skin has been destroyed, yet in my flesh I will see God."

John 3:16 "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."

## CRADOCK BAPTIST CHURCH

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Rev. David Phillips, Pastor; Jackie Phillips, Minister of Music; and Bonnie Western, Pianist

Claudia Tomlin, Organist Emeritus, St. John's Episcopal Church, Portsmouth, VA

Dr. Hugh Litchfield, Retired Pastor, Azalea Baptist Church, Norfolk, VA

Ernestine Cary, Park View Baptist Church, Portsmouth, VA

Dr. Derek Harbin, Rector, St. John's Episcopal Church, Portsmouth, VA

Rev. W. Thomas Wood, Retired Pastor, Westhaven Baptist Church, Portsmouth, VA

Cheryl Weldon, Sister-in-Law and Kelcie Weldon, Niece of Linda and Russell

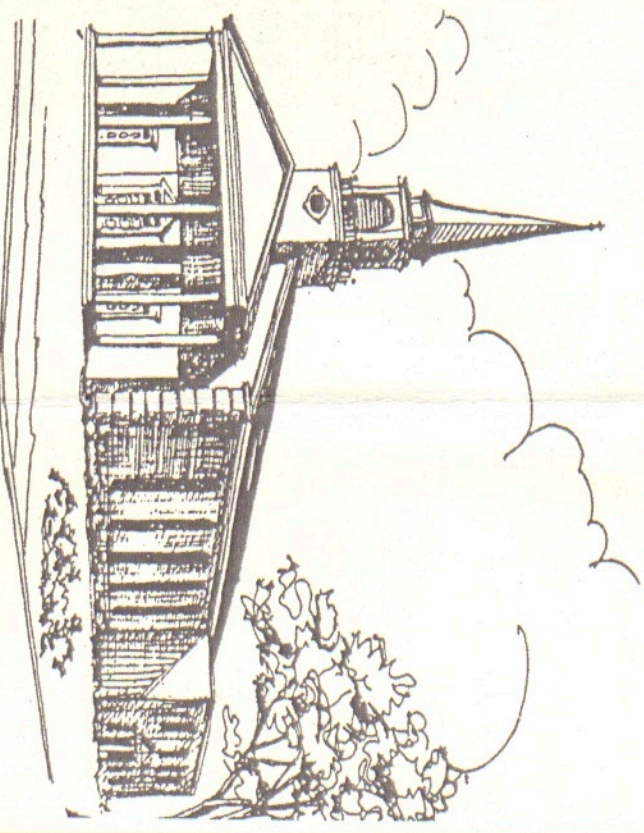
Richard Stewart, Deacon, Azalea Baptist Church, Norfolk, VA

Joseph Wetherbee, Jr., Choir Director, Grace Covenant Presbyterian Church of Princess Anne, Virginia Beach, VA



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*Leading everyday people to*

*Know Christ,*

*Love others, and*

*Serve the world!*

CELEBRATION OF LIFE

WILLIAM RUSSELL MATHEWS

MAY 10, 2015

# Celebration of Life

## William Russell Mathews

May 10, 2016

11:00 a.m.

Organ Prelude

*God of our Fathers*  
Claudia Tomlin

G.W. Warren

Words of Welcome and Invocation

Rev. David Phillips

\* Congregational Hymn

*Heaven Came Down*

# 510

Scripture Psalm 23, 46:1-2, 121:1-2

Dr. Hugh Litchfield

Soprano Solo

*This World is Not my Home*  
Ernestine Cary

E.B. Graham

Scripture John 14:1-6 & Romans 8:31-39

Dr. Derek Harbin

Piano Solo

*Just a Little Talk with Jesus*  
Bonnie Western

C. Derricks

Reflection

Rev. W. Thomas Wood

Instrumental Music

*How Great Thou Art*

S.K. Hine

Cheryl Weldon, Flute; Kelcie Weldon, Piano, & Bonnie Western, Violin

"This is Your Life"

Richard Stewart

\* Congregational Hymn

*I'll Fly Away*

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Message

*Faithful Servant*

Rev. Phillips

Benediction

\* Special Music

*Hallelujah!*  
Joseph Wetherbee, Jr.

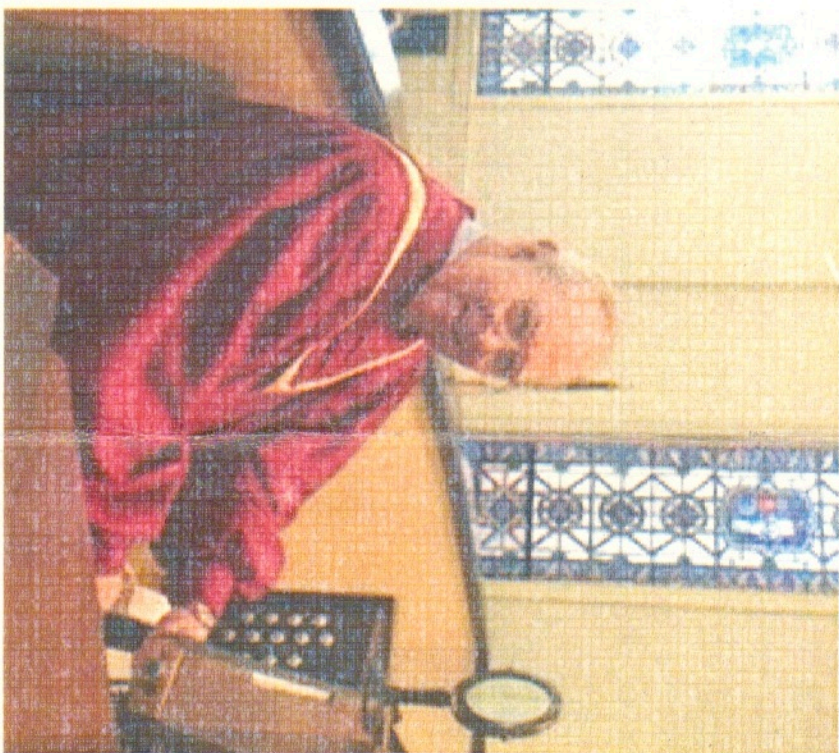
G.F. Handel

Postlude

*When the Roll is Called up Yonder*

J.M. Black

\* Please stand as you are able



William Russell Mathews, 72, died May 6, 2016. He was born in Portsmouth, Virginia on August 28, 1943. He was a retired warehouse manager at the Navy Exchange Command in Norfolk. Russell's primary passion was Church Music. Over a 50+ year ministry, he served as an organist and choir master in many churches in North Carolina and Virginia. Russell was currently the organist at Cradock Baptist where he has served a little over tow years. He touched many lives as music was his passion and ministry.

He is survived by his wife, Linda A. Mathews of 44 years, and a brother, R. Earl Mathews.