



## THE PRAYERS

*Each petition will end "God of mercy,"  
Please respond "hear our prayer."*

## LORD'S PRAYER (1789)

**A** 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.

## MUSICAL REMEMBRANCE

*"Amazing Grace"*

*W. Walker,  
from Southern Harmony*

## REMEMBRANCES

# SENDING

## HYMN

*"Now the Day Is Over"*

*(hymn) 570*

## FAREWELL AND COMMENDATION

**P** Paul, our companion in faith,  
we entrust you to God.  
Go forth from this world in the love of God who created you,  
in the mercy of Jesus who died for you,  
in the power of the Holy Spirit who receives and protects you.  
**A** May you rest in peace and rise in glory,  
where pain and grief are banished,  
and life and joy are yours forever.

**P** Into your hands, O merciful Savior,  
and in the sure and certain hope of the resurrection  
we commend your servant, Paul Willard.  
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.

**P** Rest eternal grant him, O Lord;  
**A** and let light perpetual shine upon him.

## BLESSING

**P** The risen Christ give you all joy and peace in believing  
that you may abound in hope.  
Almighty God, Father, † Son, and Holy Spirit  
bless you now and forever.

**A** Amen.

Let us go forth in peace.

**A** In the name of Christ. Amen.

## POSTLUDE

*The congregation is invited to gather for a luncheon and conversation.*

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*"Some men never seem to grow old.  
Always active in thought,  
Always ready to adopt new ideas,  
They are never chargeable with fogyism.*

*Satisfied, yet ever dissatisfied,  
Settled, yet ever unsettled,  
They always enjoy the best of what is,  
And are the first to find the best of what will be."*

*~ attributed to William Shakespeare*



## SERVING TODAY

Pastor Stephanie Friesen	<i>presiding</i>
Pastor Brian Gutzmann	<i>preaching</i>
Tatiana Vislova, <i>former PhD student</i>	
Nnambdi Okoronkwa, <i>family friend</i>	
Johannes Weiblen, <i>great-nephew</i>	<i>reading</i>
George Weiblen, <i>son</i>	
Maggie Novak, <i>godchild</i>	
Bernhardt Saini-Eidukat, <i>former PhD student</i>	<i>remembrances</i>
Dane Stauffer	<i>soloist</i>
David Trelles	<i>violinist</i>
Isaac Drewes	<i>organist</i>
Bill Berg	<i>sound operator</i>

### MEMORIALS may be directed to:

Central Lutheran Church Foundation  
University of Minnesota Foundation (Bell Museum)

### THANK YOU

The family would like to thank you for your support, thoughts, prayers, and for your shared memories and presence today. We have been enriched by your generosity and love.

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## Paul Weiblen

1927 – 2025



Professor Paul Willard Weiblen, 98 years old, died peacefully in the presence of family on Tuesday, December 23, 2025, in St. Paul, Minnesota.

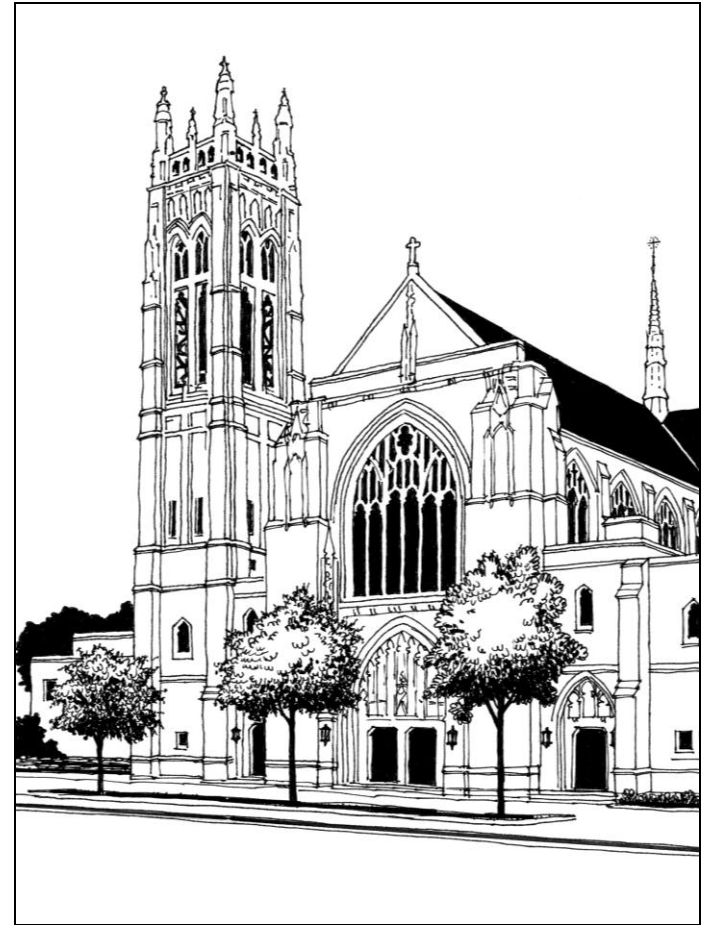
He was born on February 15, 1927, in Miller, South Dakota to Anna Bellin Weiblen and George Daniel Weiblen. He was a lifelong learner and seeker of knowledge. He joined the Army in 1945 and served during the occupation of Germany.

Thanks to the GI Bill, he earned a bachelor's degree in History from Wartburg College and a master's in European History from the University of Minnesota. He served the Defense Department during the Korean War and afterward worked for American Express in Istanbul, Turkey. Upon returning to the United States, he earned his bachelor's, master's, and PhD degrees in Geology at the University of Minnesota.

Paul married Katharine (Katie) Busch in 1967. He joined the University faculty, teaching Minnesota geology and characterizing the minerals of the Duluth Complex with the Minnesota Geological Survey. He worked on the lunar samples from the Apollo missions and directed the University's Space Science Center. He retired in 1997 and continued his relentless pursuit of knowledge on campus as Professor Emeritus. Paul was a storyteller and never ceased to engage others in learning about the past and looking to the future. He appreciated the years of support he received from the Minneapolis VA Hospital and donated his body to the University of Minnesota Anatomy Bequest Program.

He is survived by his wife, Katharine Weiblen; son, George Weiblen; daughter, Ann Weiblen Marchant; daughter-in-law, Rebecca Montgomery; son-in-law, Tyler Marchant; grandson, Carl Weiblen; granddaughter, Caroline Weiblen, and sister-in-law Betty Weiblen.

Paul was preceded in death by his parents, his brothers, John, William, Donovan, Richard; and his sister, Dorothy. Rest eternal grant him, O Lord; and let light perpetual shine upon them all.



**Paul Weiblen**

*1927 – 2025*

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