

Charles Robert Moore was born on July 18, 1934 at the height of the Great Depression, on the outskirts of Grand Saline, Texas, in a farmhouse where his father was a sharecropper. He was educated in the town's public schools, was a Boy Scout (Order of the Arrow; Jamboree in Valley Forge 1950), attended Sunday School and was president of the Youth Fellowship at First Methodist Church, which recommended him for ministry in 1952 after graduation from high school, where he had been president of Student Council and ranked second in his class. He graduated from Tyler Junior College (Highest Honors) in 1954, and then earned a B.A. degree (Departmental Distinction) from Southern Methodist University in 1956 and a B.D. from Perkins School of Theology at SMU (High Honors) in 1959.

He served student pastorates in East Texas from 1953 to 1959, and was Associate Pastor at First Methodist in Carthage 1959-60, before transferring to the Southwest Texas Conference to serve as Associate Pastor at Jefferson Methodist in San Antonio 1960-61, then appointed to St Matthew's Methodist in San Antonio, where he served for four years. He went in 1965 to do post-graduate studies at Boston and Harvard universities, while serving St. Stephen's Methodist in West Roxbury. One of his sermons was published by the Christian Century Pulpit magazine at that time.

He moved with his family to an inner city ghetto in Chicago where he and his wife worked as staff members of the Ecumenical Institute. They served two terms in India, one in a Bombay slum and the other in a small impoverished village. He was a master teacher leading seminars across North America and the head of several religious houses. Following a divorce from his wife of 25 years, he was assigned to Brussels and travelled throughout Western Europe, as well as to Africa and the Middle East, promoting the Institute's development projects. He returned to serve the United Church in Woodsboro, Texas and the United Church of Christ in Lockhart, finishing his active ministry with a ten-year pastorate at Grace United Methodist Church in Austin, where he opened the 100-year-old congregation to homosexual persons, worked against the death penalty and served poor persons in the city. At the time of his retirement in 2000 he received awards from Parents & Friends of Lesbians and Gays (P-FLAG) and the Texas Coalition to Abolish the Death Penalty.

For almost a decade, he and his wife, Barbara, have lived close to his grandchildren in Allen, Texas.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Prelude

Kathy Brotherton

Welcome and Opening Words

Rev. Kyle Walker

Prayer of Invocation

Hymn 253

"I'll Praise My Maker While I've Breath"
verses 1, 3, & 4

Scripture Readings

Rev. Lou Snead

Matthew 5:1-11

I Corinthians 13

Hymn

"He Leadeth Me: O Blessed Thought!"

Readings of the Poetry of Charles Moore

Rev. Bill Renfro

Hymn 388

"O Jesus, I Have Promised"
verses 1 & 4

Tributes to the Life and Ministry of Charles Moore

Rev. Lou Snead

Guy and Zachary Moore (Charles' Son & Grandson)

Statements from Rev. Robert Hall, Rev. Dave Atwood (TCADP)

Rev. Kim Cape (Gen. Bd. of Higher Edu. And Min.) read by Steve Bryant

Rev. Sid Hall

Tom Calnan (A Church Member's Memories)

Rev. Richard Bates

Andy Smith

The E.I. Group (Friends from involvement in the Ecumenical Institute)

Hymn

"Are Ye Able, Said The Master"

Prayer of Intercession

Rev. Lou Snead

Hymn 526

"For All The Saints"
verses 1, 2 & 4

Benediction

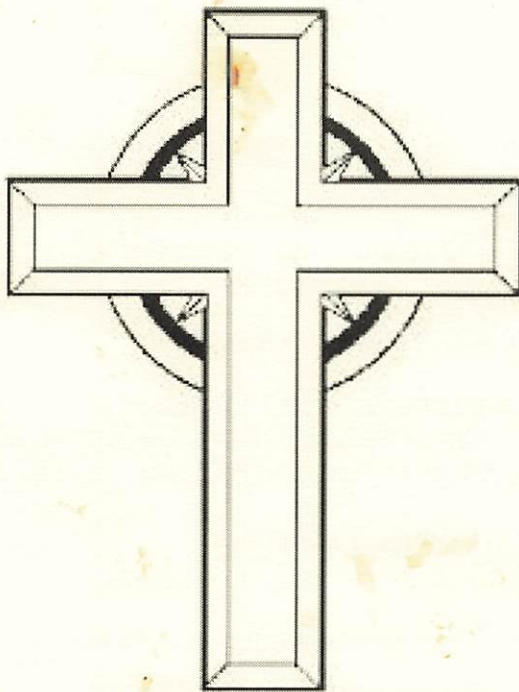
Rev. Kyle Walker

Postlude

* All who are able may stand.

Please join the family in the Wright Fellowship Hall for a brief reception.

*A Service of Worship In Memory
of the life and ministry of
Rev. Charles Robert Moore
July 18, 1934 - June 23, 2014*



*Faith Presbyterian Church
Austin, Texas*

*July 12, 2014
2 p.m.*