Gone From My Sight
by Henry Van Dyke
(adapted by Steve Forbes)

I am standing upon the seashore. A ship, at my side spreads its white sails to the moving breeze and starts for the blue ocean. It is an object of beauty and strength. I stand and watch, until, at length it hangs like a speck of white cloud just where the sea and sky come to mingle with each other.

Then someone at my side says, "There, it is gone."

Gone Where?

Gone from my sight. That is all. It is just as large in mast hull and spar as when it left my side. And, it is just as able to bear its load of living freight to its destined port. Its diminished size is in me -- not in the ship.

And, just at the moment when someone says, "There, it is gone," there are other eyes watching it coming and other voices ready to take up the glad shout, "Here he comes!"

And that is dying ...

Celebrating the Life of
Arthur E. Flegel

Friday, May 4, 2018
Menlo Church / Menlo Park
2:30 p.m.
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Arthur E. Flegel
August 6, 1917 – March 16, 2018

Jesus said, "I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in me will live, even though he dies, and whoever lives and believes in me will never die."
John 11: 25-26a

Musical Prelude

Call To Worship

Prayer

Old Testament Scripture Readings
  Lamentations 3:22-25; Psalm 100
  read by Caleb Flegel and Eric Berdon

Remembrances and Reflections
  Mark Flegel, Stephen Flegel, and Scott Flegel

Hymn #4  How Great Thou Art (verses 1, 3, and 4)

Remembrances and Reflections
  Brian Flegel, Betty Clark, and John Flegel

Video

Hymn #468  The King of Love My Shepherd Is

New Testament Scripture Readings
  John 14:1-3; Romans 14:7-9; Revelation 14:13
  read by Nicolas Flegel, Christina Flegel Segrest, Ian Fraley

Pastoral Reflections

Solo 10,000 Reasons (by Matt Redman and Jonas Myrin)
  Tom Deans-Flegel, voice and guitar

Prayer & The Lord’s Prayer
  Stephen Forbes

Hymn  So nimm denn meine Hände
  (Lord, Take My Hand and Lead Me)
  Stanza 1 in German - Karen Hastings-Flegel and
  (American Historical Society of Germans From Russia)
  Stanzas 1, 2, and 3 in English – Congregation

Blessing

Musical Postlude

Pastor:  Frank VanderZwan
Organist:  Rev. Dr. Karen Hastings-Flegel

You are invited to a reception in Fellowship Hall
immediately following the service

Donations in memory of Arthur may be made to the Rotary Club of Menlo Park Foundation, or The Arthur E. and Cleora Flegel Living Legacy Fund within the endowment of the International Foundation of the American Historical Society of Germans From Russia.