



I grew up in a very small Michigan town and I attended a church with doctrines similar to Free Methodists. I went to the altar many times as did most of the fellows in my Sunday school class. We must have been a bit unruly because nobody wanted to teach our class. Then, during the spring after most of us had graduated from high school, our church had a revival meeting. It lasted about a month and a half. It shook up our town and people began coming out of curiosity and found Christ.

I and all the members of my Sunday school class made commitments to serve Christ and to let Him lead us as He saw fit. The result was that many became ministers. Some of us went to Bible School. If I had any special talent it was probably music and I found many opportunities at that school to explore that talent.

As I look back upon my professional career I am convinced it was beyond my intelligence, my ambition, or my competence to have chosen. I believe, though, that “God has a unique course for each of our lives.” That course for me began with the revival when I made a conscious commitment to follow the Lord’s leading as I understood it. From that time on the Lord took charge and I was led in directions completely beyond my capacity to explain.

I am convinced that when we are fully committed to follow Christ He provides guidance and the qualifications to accomplish His purposes. He does not promise us a life without problems but He does supply the grace to work our way through them. As time passes we see more clearly the pattern that God has been weaving all along. A dear teacher colleague of mine said many years ago: “The Christian life is a life of minimum regrets.” I agree.

— From the writings of Lawrence Schoenhals



I am the
resurrection
and the life.

— *Jesus*

A Service of Celebration Praising God and Honoring the Life of
Lawrence R. Schoenhals

March 24, 1912 — August 8, 2010

August 28, 2010

Prelude Diane Lemcio, Organist
Kristina Haight, Pianist
Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing (Arr. Helvey)
Selected Hymns of Faith
Praise to the Lord, the Almighty (Arr. Helvey)

Welcome and Invocation Wesley Dodge, Pastor,
Warm Beach Senior Community

Photo Presentation and Hymns of Charles Wesley Kristina Haight
Love Divine, All Loves Excelling
O Love Divine, What Hast Thou Done
Jesus, Lover of My Soul

Selections from I and II Corinthians Julia Schoenhals, Granddaughter

Immortal, Invisible God Only Wise Robert Cathey, Song Leader
Hymn Number 25

Selected Tributes Anna Schoenhals Kalepo, Granddaughter
Sara Schoenhals Martinez, Granddaughter

Family Tribute Darold Boyd, Stepson

Family Tribute Richard Radcliffe, Grandson

Family Tribute Jonathan Schoenhals, Grandson

The King of Love My Shepherd Is Ron and Catherine Haight, Vocalists

Lawrence Schoenhals, Educator Norm Edwards, Colleague

Lawrence Schoenhals, Churchman Matt Whitehead, Superintendent,
Pacific Northwest Conference, FMCNA

The Light of the World is Jesus Robert Cathey
Hymn Number 742

Lawrence Schoenhals, Musician Robert McDowell, Pastor and Musician

Lawrence Schoenhals, Friend Jim Reynolds, Friend

Lawrence Schoenhals, Father Roger Schoenhals, Son

I Know That My Redeemer Liveth Catherine Haight

Meditation and Prayer Wesley Dodge

The Lord Bless You and Keep You Robert Cathey
Hymn Number 607

Final Comments and Directions Wesley Dodge

Postlude* Diane Lemcio
The Solid Rock
And Can It Be

*You may wish to remain seated during the postlude to reflect on the goodness of God, the life of his servant, Lawrence Schoenhals . . . and the music that fueled his soul.

Stephanie and Roger and their families invite you to join them at a reception in lower Wesley Hall for refreshments and reminiscing following the postlude.

“Our sincere thanks to all who participated in the program and to all who joined us today for this celebratory event.” — Stephanie and Roger

During his life, Dr. Schoenhals established nine different endowments to further his commitment to Christian Higher Education for generations to come. Two additional endowments were established by his children in his honor and to honor their mother, Mildred Schoenhals. Memorial gifts may be made to any of these endowments, including: The Lawrence and Mildred Schoenhals Music Faculty Enrichment Endowment or the Lawrence R. Schoenhals Music Scholarship Endowment at Seattle Pacific University, 3307 Third Ave. West, Seattle WA 98119; The Lawrence and Ruth Schoenhals Fine Arts Lectureship Endowment at Greenville College, 315 E. College Ave. Greenville, IL 62246; or The Lawrence and Ruth Schoenhals Fine Arts Lectureship Endowment at Roberts Wesleyan College, 2301 Westside Drive, Rochester, NY 14624.