

*Verstehen  
ist der Anfang  
der Brüderlichkeit.*

*Eleonore Beck*

DEUTSCHER GOTTESDIENST IN DER  
ST.-MATTHAEUS-UNIERTEN-KIRCHE  
AM SONNTAG LAETARE,  
DEM 6. MAERZ 2005, UM 14.00 UHR

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# **PANTERMUEHL - IN MEMORIAM**

The Reverend Doctor Roland H. Pantermuehl died at home with his family around him on Saturday, February 19, 2005. Reverend Pantermuehl was born in Sattler, TX on September 16, 1911 to Julius and Alma Pantermuehl. He attended the New Braunfels, Texas public schools graduating valedictorian from New Braunfels High School. He attended Elmhurst College in Chicago, IL and Eden Theological Seminary in Webster Groves, Missouri, where he completed his thesis, *The Relation of Man to God in Kierkegaard's Thought*. He received an Honorary Doctorate from Eden Theological Seminary in 1966 for distinguished pastoral leadership and for prophetically championing the cause of racial justice.

He and his cherished wife, Julia, were married June 15, 1939 and treasured 66 years together. Roland was baptized, confirmed, and ordained at First Protestant Church of New Braunfels. More recently he and Julia were faithful members of Faith United Church of Christ, also in New Braunfels.

Rev. Pantermuehl served as pastor at Cross Church in Seguin, Texas; Samuel Church in Clayton, Missouri; and St. Matthew Church in New Orleans, Louisiana before retiring to his family ranch in New Braunfels, Texas. During his years of ministry Rev. Pantermuehl served in many capacities in the local and wider United Church of Christ and its predecessor bodies. He was among those who were instrumental in calling together the United Church of Christ in its early formation and implementation as a denomination. He had a deep affection and appreciation for the United Church of Christ for its leadership and commitment to justice, hospitality and peace. His ministry embodied the welcome and inclusion of all persons, without exception, into Christ's Church.

In his second career, as throughout his life, Roland practiced a stewardship of the earth as he tended the pastures and garden of his ancestral home. He especially enjoyed his garden which for years was large enough to yield bounty to share with many others.

Roland was preceded in death by: his parents; and his sister, Valeska Pantermuehl. He is survived by: his wife, Julia; and by his many children and their families.

A Memorial Service of Thanksgiving for the life and ministry of Roland Pantermuehl will be held Tuesday, February 22, 2005, at 4:00 p.m. at Faith United Church of Christ in New Braunfels, Texas. A Service of Remembrance will be held at St. Matthew United Church of Christ in New Orleans, LA, where he was honored as Pastor Emeritus.

Memorials may be sent to Faith United Church, Hope Hospice of New Braunfels, and Eden Theological Seminary, care of Faith UCC at 970 North Loop 337, New Braunfels, Texas 78130.

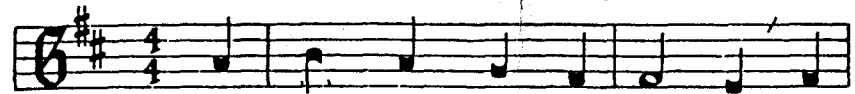
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## **Gottvertrauen, Kreuz und Trost**

**So nimm denn meine Hände**

Friedrich Silcher 1842

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So nimm denn mei - ne Hän - de und



füh - re mich bis an mein se - lig En - de und



e - wig - lich. Ich mag al - lein nicht ge -



hen, nicht ei - nen Schritt; wo du wirfst



geh'n und ste - hen, da nimm mich mit.

2. In dein Erbarmen hülle mein schwaches Herz und mach es gänzlich stille in Freud und Schmerz. Laß ruhn zu deinen Füßen dein armes Kind; es will die Augen schließen und glauben blind.

3. Wenn ich auch gleich nichts fühle von deiner Macht, du führst mich doch zum Ziele, auch durch die Nacht. So nimm denn meine Hände und führe mich bis an mein selig Ende und ewiglich.

Julie von Sausmann 1825-1901