

Our Lord has written the promise of the resurrection not in books alone, but in every leaf in springtime.

— Martin Luther —

IN MEMORY OF JEAN MCDONALD JOYCE 20 August 1930 – 14 April 2022

PRELUDE

WELCOME

RESURRECTION PROCLAMATION: First Corinthians 15:1-4a

¹Now I would remind you, brothers and sisters, of the good news that I proclaimed to you, which you in turn received, in which also you stand, ² through which also you are being saved, if you hold firmly onto the message that I proclaimed to you—unless you have come to believe in vain. ³ For I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, ⁴ and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures;

BLESSING AND PRAYER

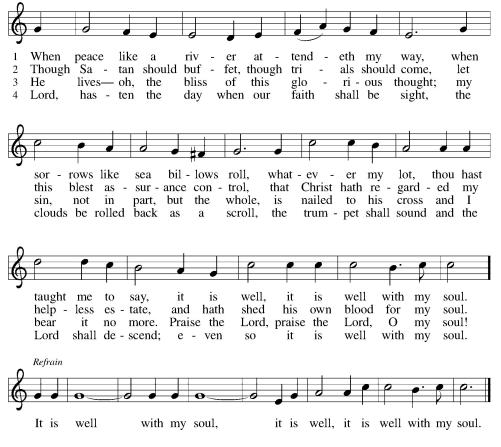
▶ Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the source of all mercy and the God of all consolation. He comforts us in all our sorrows so that we can comfort others in their sorrows with the consolation we ourselves have received from God.

C Thanks be to God.

▶ When we were baptized in Christ Jesus, we were baptized into his death. We were buried therefore with him by Baptism into death, so that as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might live a new life. For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we shall certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his.



When Peace, like a River It Is Well with My Soul



Text: Horatio G. Spafford, 1828–1888 Music: VILLA DU HAVRE, Philip P. Bliss, 1838–1876

SALUTATION AND PRAYER

P The Lord be with you.

• And also with you.

- **P** Let us pray.
- P Almighty God, those who die in the Lord live with you in joy and blessedness. We give you thanks for the grace you have showered upon your servants who have finished their course in faith and now rest from their labors. We especially give thanks for our sister in Christ, Jean, your beloved child and faithful servant. May we, and with all who have died in the true faith, have fulfillment and joy in your eternal and everlasting glory; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.
- **G** Amen.

The congregation is seated.



FIRST READING: Second Corinthians 4:10-18

¹⁰We are always carrying in the body the death of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be made visible in our bodies. ¹¹For while we live, we are always being given up to death for Jesus' sake, so that the life of Jesus may be made visible in our mortal flesh. ¹²So death is at work in us, but life in you.

¹³ But just as we have the same spirit of faith that is in accordance with scripture—'I believed, and so I spoke'— we also believe, and so we speak, ¹⁴because we know that the one who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus, and will bring us with you into his presence. ¹⁵Yes, everything is for your sake, so that grace, as it extends to more and more people, may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God.

¹⁶ So we do not lose heart. Even though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner nature is being renewed day by day. ¹⁷For this slight momentary affliction is preparing us for an eternal weight of glory beyond all measure, ¹⁸because we look not at what can be seen but at what cannot be seen; for what can be seen is temporary, but what cannot be seen is eternal.

L The Word of the Lord. C Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING: John 6:37-40

³⁷Everything that the Father gives me will come to me, and anyone who comes to me I will never drive away; ³⁸ for I have come down from heaven, not to do my own will, but the will of him who sent me. ³⁹And this is the will of him who sent me, that I should lose nothing of all that he has given me, but raise it up on the last day. ⁴⁰This is indeed the will of my Father, that all who see the Son and believe in him may have eternal life; and I will raise them up on the last day.'



Please stand as you are able.

VERSE



▶ The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the fourteenth chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

GOSPEL: John 14:1-7

¹⁴ Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. ²In my Father's house there are many dwelling-places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? ³And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. ⁴And you know the way to the place where I am going.' ⁵Thomas said to him, 'Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?' ⁶Jesus said to him, 'I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. ⁷If you know me, you will know my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him.'

- **P** The Gospel of the Lord
- **Praise to you, O Christ.**

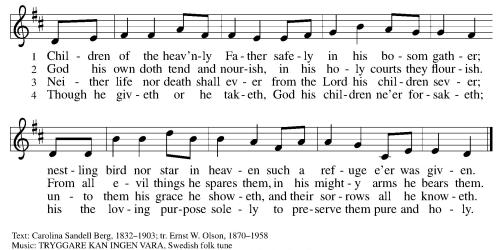
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SERMON HYMN

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Children of the Heavenly Father



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CREED

- A God has made us his people through our Baptism into Christ. Living with one another in trust and hope, we now proclaim our faith.
- **G** I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead.* On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the holy catholic church,

the communion of saints,

the forgiveness of sins,

the resurrection of the body,

and the life everlasting. Amen.

THE PRAYERS

A Let us pray.

Almighty God, you have knit your chosen people into the body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. We pray you will give your whole Church in heaven and on earth your light and your peace. Lord, in your mercy,

G hear our prayer.

▲ Grant that all who have been baptized into Christ's death and resurrection may rise into newness of life, and that through the grave and gate of death, we may pass with him into our joyful resurrection. Lord, in your mercy,

G hear our prayer.

A Grant us, who walk by faith, your presence and purpose. In the midst of great loss and sadness, we give thanks for Jean's life. We give thanks for the many ways she cared and helped others. Lord, in your mercy,

G hear our prayer.

A Grant your faithful people forgiveness, mercy, grace and peace. We give thanks for the hope of the resurrection, and for those who support Jean's family today through their loving presence. We remain connected to Jean through our memories of her, and through the communion we share with one another and with the Lord. Lord, in your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

▲ Give courage and faith for all today who are saddened by Jean's death. We pray for her family and for all those who have loved her. We pray that you give them strength to meet the days ahead through the blessing of hope, and the joyful expectation of eternal life with Jean. Lord, in your mercy,

• hear our prayer.

A Help us, we pray, in the midst of things we cannot understand, to believe and trust in the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, and the resurrection into life everlasting. Lord, in your mercy,

• hear our prayer.

A Grant us grace now in entrusting your faithful servant, Jean, into your never-failing love which sustained her throughout her life. Receive her into the arms of your mercy, and remember her through the favor you bear for all your people. Lord, in your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

The intercessions conclude.

▶ God of all grace, you sent your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, in bringing life and eternal light. We give you thanks because by his death Jesus has crushed the power of death and by his resurrection has opened the reign of heaven for all who believe. Make us certain that because he lives we shall live also, and that neither death nor life, nor things present nor things to come shall be able to separate us from your love which is in Christ Jesus our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

G Amen.

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C And also with you.

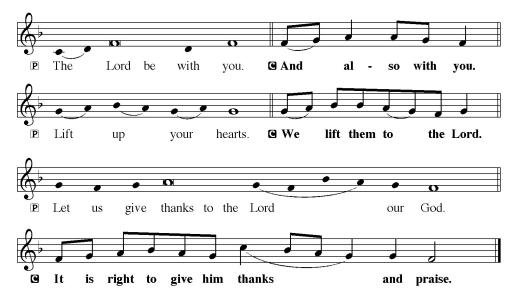
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OFFERTORY PRAYER

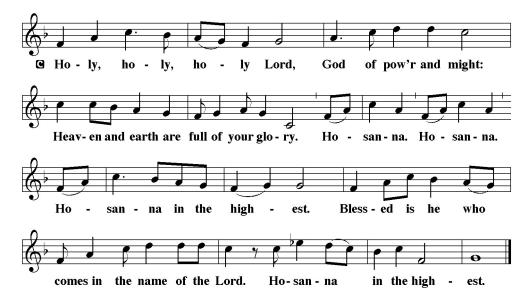
 Blessed are you, O God, ruler of heaven and earth, and day by day you shower us with blessings. As you have raised us to new life in Christ, give us glad and generous hearts. Receive this bread and wine, and through them, usher in the Kingdom of God.

G Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING



▶ It is indeed right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to you, O Lord, holy Father, through Christ our Lord. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

- Holy God, our living Water and our merciful Guide, in unison with rivers and seas, wells and springs we bless and magnify your holy name.
 - You led your people Israel through the wilderness, and provided them water from the rock.
 - We praise you for Christ, our Rock and our Water, who joined us in our wilderness, pouring out his life for the world.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore, his life, death, and resurrection, we await your salvation for all this thirsty world.

Pour out your Holy Spirit upon this holy food and upon all the baptized gathered for this feast: wash away our sin, so we may be revived for our journey by the love of Christ.

Remember, on this day, our sister Jean, who was baptized into the death and resurrection of Jesus. Bring her into your eternal joy in light, with all who have died in the peace of Christ in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor is yours, almighty God, now and forever.

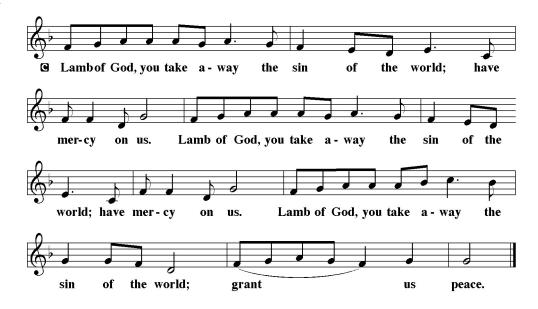
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P Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray:

 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. Matthew 6:9



AGNUS DEI



INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P Saints of God, now come and share in the banquet feast which has no end.

G Amen.

The congregation is seated.

Today's service is a celebration of Holy Communion. We believe that Jesus Christ is truly present in the gifts of bread and wine, bringing forgiveness of sins and new life to all who receive this sacrament. All baptized Christians who come at our Lord's invitation are welcome at His table of grace.
Please come forward by the center aisle and maintain appropriate physical distancing. Receive the bread from the pastor then proceed to the assisting minister who will be holding a tray of cups with wine, and also cups with grape juice. Take a cup and then return to your seat by the side aisle. Gluten-free wafers are on the stand in front of the baptismal font.
If you are not going to receive Holy Communion, but would like to receive a blessing, please come forward with your arms crossed over your chest.

RECEIVING COMMUNION

This Is My Father's World



Text: Maltbie D. Babcock, 1858–1901 Music: TERRA PATRIS, Franklin L. Sheppard, 1852–1930, adapt.

BLESSING

- **P** The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.
- G Amen.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

 Almighty God, we thank you that in your great love you have given us a foretaste of your heavenly meal. Grant that this bread and wine may bless us in any sorrow, and remind us of your reign where there is no more death, neither sorrow nor crying, but the fullness of joy with all your saints; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

C Amen.

Please stand as you are able.

COMMENDATION

P Into your hands, O merciful Savior, we now commend your servant, Jean. Acknowledge, we humbly beseech you, a sheep of your own fold, a lamb of your own flock, a sinner of your own redeeming. Receive her into the arms of your mercy, into the blessed rest of everlasting peace, and into the glorious company of the saints in light. May the Lord bless her and keep her. The Lord make his face shine upon her and be gracious to her. And may the Lord look upon her with favor and give her + peace.

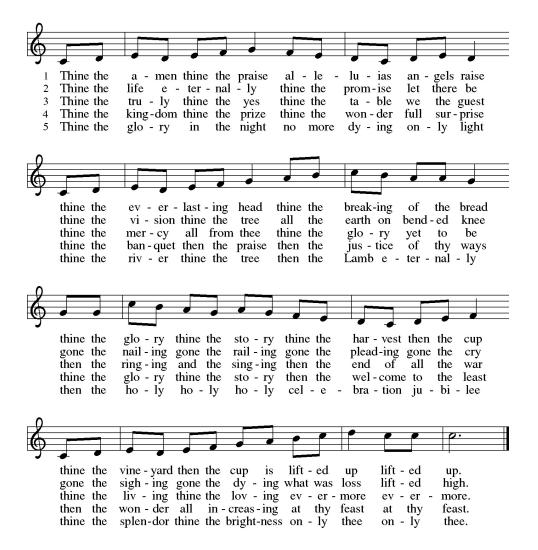
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- **P** Let us go forth in peace.
- **G** In the name of Christ. Amen.

CLOSING HYMN

Thine the Amen

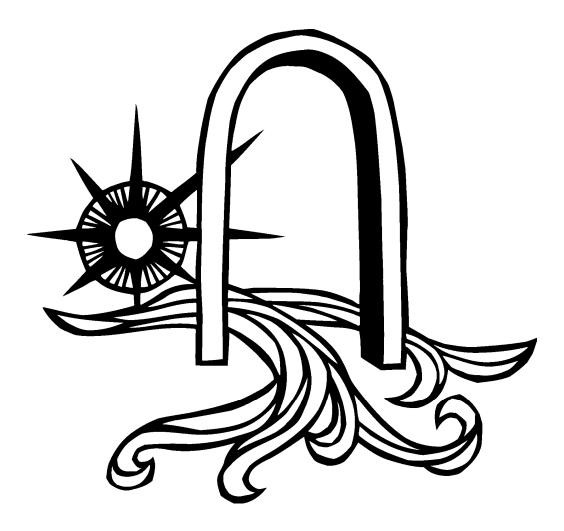
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As the Church conducts the new Christian into its fellowship through Holy Baptism and sustains faith through preaching and the sacrament of the Altar, so at death the voice of the Church is again heard. In the Order for the Burial of the Dead, the Church proclaims its glorious hope in the resurrection of the dead through our Lord Jesus Christ.