

*Memorial Service in Celebration of the Life of*

**LOIS B. KETTEL**

1929 — 2023



St Dunstan's Episcopal Church  
Sunday, April 30  
2:00 pm

*Give rest, O Christ, to your servant with your saints,  
where sorrow and pain are no more,  
neither sighing, but life everlasting.*

*Concerning the Service:*

*The liturgy for the dead is an Easter liturgy. It finds all its meaning in the resurrection. Because Jesus was raised from the dead, we, too, shall be raised. The liturgy, therefore, is characterized by joy, in the certainty that “neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.”*

*Their joy, however, does not make human grief unchristian. The very love we have for each other in Christ brings deep sorrow when we are parted by death. Jesus himself wept at the grave of his friend, Lazarus. So, while we rejoice that the one we love has entered into the nearer presence of our Lord, we walk with sorrow in sympathy with those who mourn.*

*The congregation is encouraged to participate throughout the service. Congregational responses are printed in bold type.*

# THE GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

**Prelude:** "O God, thou faithful God"  
"How blessed are the Souls"

*Johannes Brahms (1833-1897)*

*All stand at the tolling of the bell.*

## **Scripture Anthem**

Priest I am Resurrection and I am Life, says the Lord.  
Whoever has faith in me shall have life, even though they die.  
And everyone who has life, and has committed themselves to me in faith,  
shall not die for ever.

As for me, I know that my Redeemer lives  
and that at the last he will stand upon the earth.  
After my awaking, he will raise me up; and in my body I shall see God.  
I myself shall see, and my eyes behold him who is my friend and not a stranger.

For none of us has life in ourselves,  
and none become their own master when they die.  
For if we have life, we are alive in the Lord, and if we die, we die in the Lord.  
So, then, whether we live or die, we are the Lord's possession.

Happy from now on are those who die in the Lord!  
So it is, says the Spirit, for they rest from their labors.

## The Collect

Priest The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Priest Let us pray.

O God of grace and glory, we remember before you this day our sister Lois. We thank you for giving her to us, her family and friends, to know and to love as a companion on our earthly pilgrimage. In your boundless compassion, console us who mourn. Give us faith to see in death the gate of eternal life, so that in quiet confidence we may continue our course on earth, until, by your call, we are reunited with those who have gone before; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*All are seated.*

## THE WORD OF GOD

**Isaiah 61:1-3**

*Reader: L. Michael Kettel, MD*

*To comfort those who mourn.*

The spirit of the Lord GOD is upon me,  
because the LORD has anointed me;  
he has sent me to bring good news to the oppressed,  
to bind up the brokenhearted,  
to proclaim liberty to the captives,  
and release to the prisoners;  
to proclaim the year of the LORD's favor,  
and the day of vengeance of our God;  
to comfort all who mourn;  
to provide for those who mourn in Zion—  
to give them a garland instead of ashes,  
the oil of gladness instead of mourning,  
the mantle of praise instead of a faint spirit.  
They will be called oaks of righteousness,  
the planting of the LORD, to display his glory.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm 23** A Psalm of David

*Readers: Linda Kress & Faith Kettel*

*The Lord is shepherd and guide. God is present in the time of danger and is generous and merciful.*

- 1 The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want.
- 2 He maketh me to lie down in green pastures:  
He leadeth me beside the still waters.
- 3 He restoreth my soul:  
He leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.
- 4 Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil:  
For thou art with me; Thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.
- 5 Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies:  
Thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.
- 6 Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life:  
And I will dwell in the house of the LORD for ever.

**John 5:24-27**

*Reader: Laura Kettel Khan*

*Jesus talks of believers passing from death to life.*

Truly, truly, I say to you, he who hears my word and believes him who sent me, has eternal life; he does not come into judgment, but has passed from death to life.

"Truly, truly, I say to you, the hour is coming, and now is, when the dead will hear the voice of the Son of God, and those who hear will live. For as the Father has life in himself, so he has granted the Son also to have life in himself, and has given him authority to execute judgment, because he is the Son of man.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

*All stand*

# Gradual Hymn 652 Jesus love me

William B. Bradbury

1. Je - sus loves me! this I know, For the bi - ble tells me so;  
2. Je - sus loves me! He who died, Hea - ven's gate to op - en wide;  
3. Je - sus take this heart of mine, Make it pure and whol - ly thine;

1. Lit - tle ones to Him be - long; They are weak but He is strong.  
2. He will wash a - way my sin, Let His lit - tle child come in.  
3. On the cross you died for me, I will try to live for thee.

Yes, Je - sus loves me! — Yes, Je - sus loves me! —

Yes, Je - sus loves me! — The bi - ble tells me so.

## **John 14:1–6**

*Jesus speaks with his disciples shortly before his passion and tells them that he is the way, the truth, and the life. He is the way because he himself is going the way of the sacrifice of his death, so to prepare a place for his disciples. In this way followers will discover the truth that Jesus so intimately reflects the character of God that those who have seen him have seen the Father. All who come to the Father through Jesus will find true life.*

Priest The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

**People Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

"Let not your hearts be troubled; believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house are many rooms; if it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And when I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, that where I am you may be also. And you know the way where I am going." Thomas said to him, "Lord, we do not know where you are going; how can we know the way?" Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life; no one comes to the Father, but by me.

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.

**People Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

*All are seated*

## **Eulogies**

*Daniel Owen  
L. Michael Kettel, MD  
Wally Bornemeier*

## **The Homily**

*After the homily a brief silence is kept.*

The Rev. Laurel Coote

1. Just as I am, with - out one plea, But  
 2. Just as I am, though tossed a - bout With  
 3. Just as I am, poor, wretch - ed, blind; Sight  
 4. Just as I am, thou wilt re - ceive; Wilt  
 5. Just as I am, thy love un - known Has  
 6. Just as I am, of thy great love The

1. that thy blood was shed for me,  
 2. ma - ny - a con - flict, ma - ny - a doubt;  
 3. rich - es, heal - ing of the mind,  
 4. wel - come, par - don, cleanse, re - lieve,  
 5. bro - ken ev - ery bar - rier down;  
 6. breadth, length, depth, and height to prove,

1. And that thou bidd'st me come to thee, O  
 2. Fight - ings and fears with - in, with - out, O  
 3. Yea, all I need in thee to find, O  
 4. Be - cause thy prom - ise I be - lieve, O  
 5. Now to be thine, yea, thine a - lone, O  
 6. Here for a sea - son, then a - bove: O

Lamb of God, I come, I come.



## The Apostles' Creed

*All stand.*

Priest In the assurance of eternal life given at Baptism, let us proclaim our faith and say,

Priest **I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
and creator of heaven and earth.**  
People **I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.  
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit  
and born of the Virgin Mary.  
He 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,  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again 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

*Reader: Jim Kress*

Leader **F**or our sister Lois, let us pray to our Lord Jesus Christ who said,  
"I am Resurrection and I am life."

Lord, you consoled Martha and Mary in their distress; draw near to us who mourn  
for Lois, and dry the tears of those who weep.

**People Hear us, Lord.**

Leader You wept at the grave of Lazarus, your friend; comfort us in our sorrow.

**People Hear us, Lord.**

Leader You raised the dead to life; give to our sister eternal life.

**People Hear us, Lord.**

Leader You promised paradise to the thief who repented; bring our sister to the joys of heaven.

**People Hear us, Lord.**

Leader Our sister was washed in Baptism and anointed with the Holy Spirit; give her fellowship with all your saints.

**People Hear us, Lord.**

Leader She was nourished with your Body and Blood; grant her a place at the table in your heavenly kingdom.

**People Hear us, Lord.**

Leader Comfort all who mourn, especially: Linda, Michael, Laura, Faith, Jim, and Lois's family, friends, and colleagues; Let our faith be our consolation, and eternal life our hope.

Priest **F**ather of all, we pray to you for Lois, and for all those whom we love but see no longer. Grant to them eternal rest. Let light perpetual shine upon them. May her soul and the souls of all the departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.  
**Amen.**

## **The Peace**

Priest The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**People And also with you**

*The people exchange the peace with one another.*

**Welcome** *All are seated*

# Hymn 671 Amazing Grace

*New Britain*

*All stand*

1 A - maz - ing grace! how sweet the sound, that  
 2 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and  
 3 The Lord has prom - ised good to me, his  
 4 Through man - y dan - gers, toils, and snares, I  
 \*5 When we've been there ten thou - sand years, bright

1 saved a wretch like me! I once was lost but  
 2 grace my fears re - lieved; how pre - cious did that  
 3 word my hope se - cures; he will my shield and  
 4 have al - rea - dy come; 'tis grace that brought me  
 5 shin - ing as the sun, we've no less days to

1 now am found, was blind but now I see.  
 2 grace ap - pear the hour I first be - lieved!  
 3 por - tion be as long as life en - dures.  
 4 safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.  
 5 sing God's praise than when we'd first be - gun.

*The melody may be sung in canon at distances of either two or three beats.*

Priest As our savior Christ has taught us, let us pray:

**People** **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,  
for ever and ever. Amen.

### **The Commendation** *All remain standing.*

Priest Give rest, O Christ, to your servant with your saints.

**People** **Where sorrow and pain are no more, neither sighing, but life everlasting.**

Priest You only are immortal, the creator and maker of mankind; and we are mortal, formed of the earth, and to earth shall we return. For so did you ordain when you created me, saying, "You are dust, and to dust you shall return."  
All of us go down to the dust; yet even at the grave we make our song;  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

**People** **Give rest, O Christ, to your servant with your saints,**  
**where sorrow and pain are no more, neither sighing, but life everlasting.**

Priest Into your hands, O merciful Savior, we commend your servant Lois.  
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. **Amen.**

### **The Blessing**

Priest **T**he peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord;  
and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,  
be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

## The Dismissal

Priest Alleluia! Christ is Risen.

People The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Priest Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People Thanks be to God.

## Closing Hymn 688 A mighty fortress is our God

*Ein feste Burg*

1 A might - y for - tress is our God, a bul - wark nev - er  
2 Did we in our own strength con - fide, our striv - ing would be  
3 And though this world, with dev - ils filled, should threat - en to un -  
4 That word a - bove all earth - ly powers, no thanks to them, a -

fail - ing; our help - er he a - mid the flood  
los - ing; were not the right man on our side,  
do us; we will not fear, for God hath willed  
bid - eth; the Spi - rit and the gifts are ours

of mor - tal ills pre - vail - ing; for still our an - cient foe  
the man of God's own choos - ing; dost ask who that may be?  
his truth to tri - umph through us; the prince of dark - ness grim,  
through him who with us sid - eth: let goods and kin - dred go,

doth seek to work us woe; his craft and power are great,  
 Christ Je - sus, it is he; Lord Sa - ba - oth his Name,  
 we trem - ble not for him; his rage we can en - dure,  
 this mor - tal life al - so; the bo - dy they may kill:

and, armed with cru - el hate, on earth is not his e - qual.  
 from age to age the same, and he must win the bat - tle.  
 for lo! his doom is sure, one lit - tle word shall fell him.  
 God's truth a - bid - eth still, his king - dom is for ev - er.

**Postlude:** Toccata in F Major

*Dietrich Buxtehude (1637-1707)*

*All are invited to join the reception in the Parish Hall following the conclusion of the service.*

*Preacher*

The Rev. Laurel Coote

*Crucifer*

Joe Heston

*Lectors*

L. Michael Kettel, MD, Linda Kress, Faith Kettel, Laura Kettel Khan

*Eulogists*

L. Michael Kettel MD

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Wally Bornemeier

*Intercessor*

Jim Kress

*Greeters*

Tom Masters, Sue Masters

*Ushers*

Hersch Loomis, Jack Enbom

*Organist*

Fred Burgomaster

*Florals & Reception*

St. Dunstan's Altar Guild and PEO

*St. Dunstan's Episcopal Church celebrates God's diverse creation  
and strives to build an inclusive community that welcomes everyone, no matter age, gender, sexual identity,  
culture, ethnicity, economic status, or ability*

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