Memorial Eucharist in Celebration of the Life of

JEAN SCHOLEFIELD

1939 — 2024



St Dunstan's Episcopal Church Saturday, April 20, 2024 11:06am

Sive 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."

This joy, however, does not diminish our human grief. The very love we have for one another in Christ sustains us in our 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 in care and 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 Music by Vivaldi, Mozart, and Brahms

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 Jean. 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 25:6–9 Reader: George Lockwood

A prophetic hymn envisioning the day of the Lord's salvation. The prophet uses a rich banquet as an image for the time of festival. It takes place on the mountain of the Lord's temple, Mount Zion, where heaven and earth figuratively meet. This great feast will be for all people, and even the power of death will be overcome.

On this mountain, for all peoples, Yahweh Sabaoth is preparing a banquet of rich food, a banquet of fine wines, of succulent food, of well-strained wines. On this mountain, he has destroyed the veil which used to veil all peoples, the pall enveloping all nations; he has destroyed death for ever. Lord Yahweh has wiped away the tears from every cheek; he has taken his people's shame away everywhere on earth, for Yahweh has spoken. And on that day, it will be said, 'Look, this is our God, in him we put our hope that he should save us, this is Yahweh, we put our hope in him. Let us exult and rejoice since he has saved us.'

Reader The Word of the Lord. **People Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 121 Reader: Beth Heston

A song of trust in the Lord, the unsleeping guardian of Israel.

I lift up my eyes to the hills; from where is my help to come?

My help comes from the Lord, the maker of heaven and earth.

He will not let your foot be moved and he who watches over you will not fall asleep.

Behold, he who keeps watch over Israel shall neither slumber nor sleep;

The Lord himself watches over you; the Lord is your shade at your right hand,

So that the sun shall not strike you by day, nor the moon by night.

The Lord shall preserve you from all evil; it is he who shall keep you safe.

The Lord shall watch over your going out and your coming in,
from this time forth for evermore

Through God's love, disciples are now children of God; their destiny is to be like Christ. Those who did not recognize Jesus will not recognize his disciples either. Though the mystery of what those disciples are to become has not been fully revealed, Christians know that a dramatic change has taken place in their lives; an earnest of the transformation underway. Those who stand in this hope will purify themselves as Christ is pure.

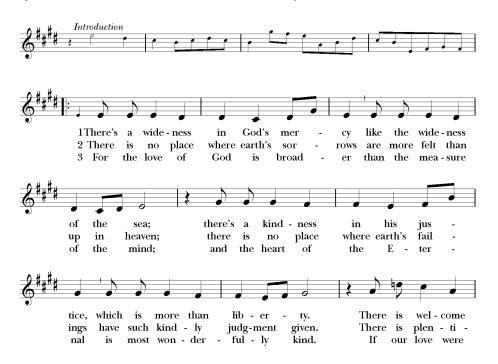
See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is.

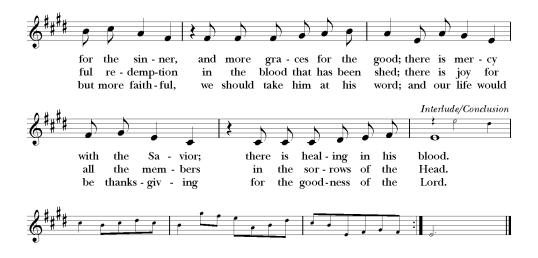
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People Thanks be to God.

Gospel Hymn 469 There's a wideness in God's mercy

St. Helena





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.

Reflections

The Rev. Wendy Howe The Rev. Jeff Lewis

The Homily

The Rev. Laurel Coote

After the homily a brief silence is kept.

All stand.

The Apostles' Creed

Priest Join us in saying the ancient words of faith that so informed, and formed our sister Jean.

People I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

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: Celeste Falor

Leader For our sister Jean, 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 Jean, 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: Elizabeth, Alistair, Ashley, Blake, Jane, Shannon, Brice, and Jean's extensive family, friends, and companions in faith.

Let our faith be our consolation, and eternal life our hope.

Priest O God, whose mercies cannot be numbered: Accept our prayers on behalf of your servant Jean, and grant her an entrance into the land of light and joy, in the fellowship of your saints; especially Wilfred, Bill, Doris, and Shirley; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever . **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

The Offertory

Priest Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

Special Music Simple Song

Leonard Bernstein Soloist: Laurel Coote

Sing God a simple song, Lauda Laude. Make it up as you go along, Lauda Laude. Sing like you like to sing; God loves all simple things, for God is the simplest of all.

I will sing the Lord a new song, to praise Him, to bless Him, to bless the Lord. I will sing His praises while I live, all of my days. Blessed is the one who loves the Lord. Blessed is the one who praises Him. Lauda, Lauda, Laude, all of my days.

I will lift up mine eyes, to the hills from whence comes my help. I will lift up my voice to the Lord, singing Lauda, Laude. For the Lord is my shade, is the shade upon my right hand, and the sun shall not strike me by day, nor the moon by night. Blessed is the one who loves the Lord, Lauda, Lauda, Laude. All of my days.

Lauda Lauda, Laude. Lauda Lauda di da, di de. All of my days.

Offertory Hymn 293 I sing a song of the saints of God



THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer B

Priest The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Priest Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Priest Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

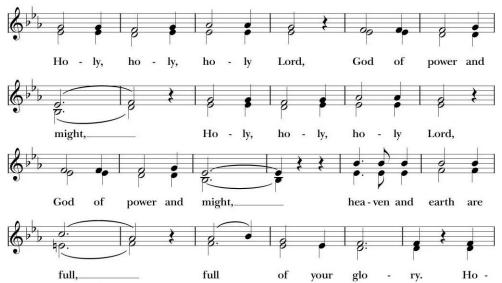
People It is right to give God thanks and praise.

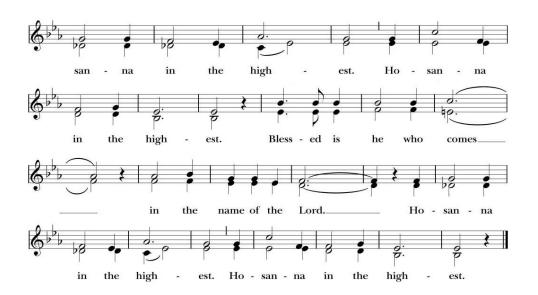
Priest It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord; who rose victorious from the dead, and comforts us with the blessed hope of everlasting life. For to your faithful people, O Lord, life is changed, not ended; and when our mortal body lies in death, there is prepared for us a dwelling place eternal in the heavens.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus S-130 Holy, Holy, Holy Lord (Deutsche Messe)

Franz Peter Schubert (1797–1828); arr. Richard Proulx (b. 1937)





The people stand or kneel.

Priest

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

People

We remember his death, We proclaim his resurrection, We await his coming in glory Priest

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine. We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

The Lord's Prayer

Priest And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

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 Breaking of the Bread

The Priest breaks the consecrated bread. A period of silence is kept.

Priest Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

Priest

This is the Banquet of the Lamb. It is to be made ready for those who love God and for those who want to love God more. So, come, you who have much faith and you who have little, you who have been here often, and you who have not been here long, you who have tried to follow, and you who have failed. Come, because it is the Lord who invites you. It is God's will that those who want to know God should meet God here.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

All who come in faith seeking a deeper knowledge and love of Jesus Christ are welcome to receive Holy Communion. Come forward to receive the bread in your open palm.

If you choose to receive the cup, gently guide the chalice to your lips by touching the base.

At this time, we are not able to allow dipping the wafer into the chalice.

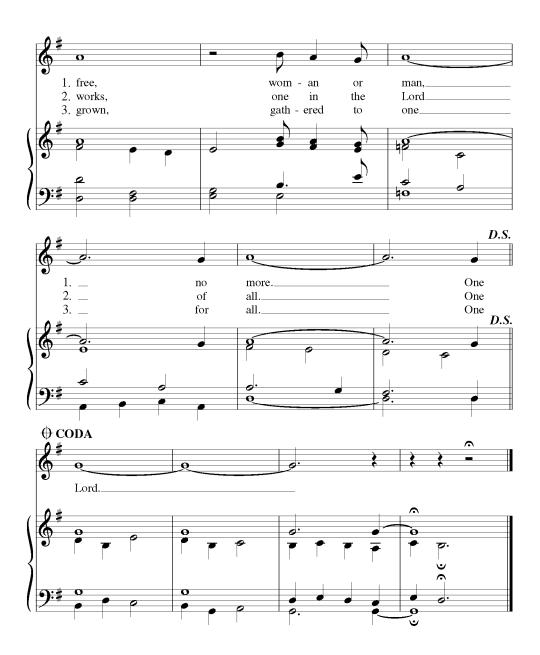
Those who prefer to receive a blessing, or who choose not to receive the cup, may indicate this by crossing their arms over their chest.

If you have a wheat sensitivity, you may ask the priest for a gluten-free wafer. You may have communion brought to your seat by notifying an usher.









The Post-Communion Prayer All Stand.

Priest Let us pray.

People Eternal God, heavenly Father,

you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.

Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Commendation All Stand.

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 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. **Amen.**

A Closing Prayer

We thank thee, O God, for all the goodness and courage which have passed from the life of this, thy servant Jean, into the lives of others, and have left the world richer for her presence; for a life's task faithfully and honorably discharged; for good humor and gracious affection and kindly generosity; for sadness met without surrender and weakness endured without defeat; through Jesus Christ our Lord, **Amen.**

The Blessing

Priest

The 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 Creator, Redeemer, and Sustainer, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

The Dismissal

Priest Alleluia! Christ is Risen.

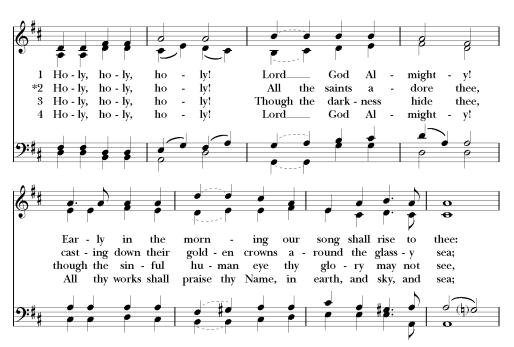
People The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Priest Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People Thanks be to God.

Closing Hymn 362 Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!

Nicaea





Postlude Spring (from The Four Seasons)

Antonio Vivaldi (1678-1741)

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

Memorial gifts in honor of Jean may be made to St. Dunstan's Episcopal Church

Presider & Preacher
The Rev. Laurel Coote

Celebrant
The Rev. Jeff Lewis

Crucifer
Joe Heston

Lectors
George Lockwood, Beth Heston, Elizabeth Harrison-Turtle

Intercessor

Celeste Falor

Reflections
The Rev. Wendy Howe
The Rev. Jeff Lewis

Eucharistic Ministers
Joseph Heston, Susan Pitts

Ushers
John and Julie Tomlin

Greeters
Georgia Byrne and Jack Enbom

Organist
Fred Burgomaster

Soloist
The Rev. Laurel Coote

St. Dunstan's Choir

Pam Austin, Melanie Cervi, Mike Cervi, Larry Davidson, Peter Coote, Betty Kasson, Cam McAra, Art Pasquinelli, Elizabeth Pasquinelli

Reception

St. Dunstan's Memorial Guild, Jane Gamble and Shannon Yager Catering: Mario Perez, Casa Abrego Club

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