

Celebration of Life and Beauty in Christ
Jane Starr
February 12, 2022
12:00 PM

*The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.
He maketh me to lie down in green pastures;
He leadeth me beside the still waters.
He restoreth my soul; He leadeth me in the
paths of righteousness for His name's sake.
Yea, though I walk through the valley of the
shadow of death, I fear no evil;
For Thou art with me; Thy rod
and Thy staff they comfort me.
Thou preparest a table before me in the
presence of mine enemies;
Thou anointest my head with oil;
My cup runneth over.
Surely goodness and mercy will follow
me all the days of my life;
And I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.
~ Psalm 23 ~*

Celebration of Life Service for Jane Starr

March 13, 1942 – February 5, 2022

PRELUDE: St. Anne Fugue – J. S. Bach
Aria – Joel Martinson

OFFICE OF THE RESURRECTION

P: The grace of our Lord, Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

P: 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.

P: 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.

On the day of her baptism Jane put on Christ. In the day of Christ's coming, may Jane be clothed in glory.

CHOIR ANTHEM: "Here I Am, Lord" – arranged by Craig Courtney

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray.

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

C: Amen.

LESSONS: Psalm 23
Acts 17:16-28

GOSPEL LESSON: John 14:1-14
John 20:24-29

MESSAGE: “A View from the Floor” Pastor Larry Isbell

CHOIR ANTHEM: “Do Not Let Your Hearts Be Troubled” – David Haas

APOSTLES CREED:

P: God has made us his people through our Baptism into Christ.
Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith.

**C: 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 into hell.
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 Christian Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

A WORD FROM THE FAMILY:

Gordon Starr

THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

P: Let us pray to our Lord, Jesus Christ, who said, "I am with you always, even to the end of the world."

C: Hear us, Lord.

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

C: Hear us, Lord.

P: You promise life to those who trust; bring our sister Jane to the joys of heaven.

C: Hear us, Lord.

P: Our sister Jane was washed in Baptism and anointed with the Holy Spirit; we thank you for giving her fellowship with all your saints.

C: Hear us, Lord.

P: She was nourished with your Holy Body and Blood; we thank you for her place at the table in your kingdom.

C: Hear us, Lord.

P: Comfort us in all our sorrows at the death of our sister Jane; let our faith be our consolation and eternal life our hope.

C: Hear us, Lord.

P: God of all grace, you sent your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, to bring life and immortality to light. We give you thanks because by his death Jesus destroyed the power of death and by his resurrection opened the kingdom of heaven to all believers. 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.

C: Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER:

**C: 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**

BENEDICTION

P: The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face shine upon you and be gracious to you: the Lord watch over you and give you peace. In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

HYMN: "Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound"

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

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

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

COMMENDATION

P: Into your hands, O merciful Savior, we commend your servant Jane. 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.

C: Amen

P: Let us go forth in peace.

C: In the Name of Christ Jesus, our Lord. Amen

CHOIR ANTHEM: "Hallelujah Chorus" -- G. F. Händel

POSTLUDE: "God of Grace" – Paul Manz