

Celebration of Life in Christ
Dana Lynn Hull
April 18, 2026
11:00 AM
Celebration of Life Service for Dana Lynn Hull

February 23, 1943 – March 25, 2026

PRELUDE: “Through the Years” (Music & Words by Kenny Rogers)

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

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 Dana put on Christ. In the day of Christ's coming, may Dana be clothed in glory.

PRAISE BAND: “I Will Rise” (Music & Words by Chris Tomlin, Jesse Reeves, Louie Giglio, Matt Maher)

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 Dana. 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.

FIRST LESSON:

Psalm 23

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.

GOSPEL LESSON:

Matthew 5:1-12: The Beatitudes

5 When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain, and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. ² And he began to speak and taught them, saying:

³ “Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

⁴ “Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

⁵ “Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.

⁶ “Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.

⁷ “Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.

⁸ “Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.

⁹ “Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.

¹⁰ “Blessed are those who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

¹¹ “Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. ¹² Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

MESSAGE: “A Quiet and Steady Grace” Rev. Amy Bartleson Balcam

PRAISE BAND: “Grace Like Rain” (Words & Music by Chris Collins, Edwin Othello Excell, John Newton, Todd Agnew, and William W. Walker)

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.**

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 Dana to the joys of heaven.

C: Hear us, Lord.

P: Our sister Dana 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 Dana; 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

P: Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

**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

PRAISE BAND: "Because He Lives (Amen)" (Words & Music by Chris Tomlin, Daniel Carson, Ed Cash, Gloria Gaither, Harold ten Cate, Jason Ingram, Matt Maher, and William J. Gaither)

COMMENDATION

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

POSTLUDE: "Through the Years" (Music & Words by Kenny Rogers)