

P: God of all grace, You sent your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, to bring life and immortality to light. We give You thanks that by His death Jesus destroyed the power of death, and by His resurrection opened the kingdom of heaven to all believers. Strengthen us in the confidence that because He lives we shall live also, and that neither death nor life, nor things present nor things to come, will 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.**

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

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 grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of + God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: **Amen.**

**Announcements*

Recession with **HYMN 502 ("Children of the Heavenly Father")*

We extend a warm welcome to all who are worshipping with us today. May the promises of our risen Lord renew your faith, and fill you with an eternal hope. You are invited to join us also for one of our regular Sunday services at 8 a.m. or 10:30 a.m.

Immediately following today's service, all are invited to join the family for a meal in the church basement.

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The Christian Funeral of Janet Louise (Pochardt) Dale (1944-2024)

Monday, October 21, 2024

*congregation standing

Time of Service: 10 a.m.

Prelude

**Entrance Rite (with the reading of Romans 6:3-5, NKJV)*

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: In Holy Baptism Janet was clothed with the robe of Christ's righteousness that covered all her sin. St. Paul writes: "Or do you not know that as many of us as were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into His death? Therefore we were buried with Him through baptism into death, that just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life. For if we have been united together in the likeness of His death, certainly we also shall be in the likeness of His resurrection."

P: Let us pray.

P: Lord God, maker of heaven and earth and giver of life, we thank You for all the mercies You granted to our sister Janet during her earthly life, especially for calling her to faith in Jesus Christ through Holy Baptism. Comfort all who mourn her death with the hope of the glorious resurrection of the body and a joyful reunion in heaven. Remind us that we, too, are mortal, and prepare us to fall asleep in faith, and on the Last Day to receive the glory promised to all who trust in Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: **Amen.**

Procession with **HYMN 576 ("Amazing Grace")*

Collect

P: Let us pray.

P: O God of grace and mercy, we give thanks for Your loving-kindness to our sister Janet, and to all Your servants who, having finished their course in faith, now rest from their labors. Grant that we also may be faithful unto death, and receive the crown of eternal life; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: **Amen.**

First Lesson (Isaiah 25:6-9, NKJV)

P: The first lesson is written in the 25th chapter of the Prophet Isaiah, beginning at the 6th verse.

P: And in this mountain the Lord of hosts will make for all people a feast of choice pieces, a feast of wines on the lees, of fat things full of marrow, of well-refined wines on the lees. And He will destroy on this mountain the surface of the covering cast over all people, and the veil that is spread over all nations. He will swallow up death forever, and the Lord God will wipe away tears from all faces; the rebuke of His people He will take away from all the earth; for the Lord has spoken. And it will be said in that day: "Behold, this is our God; we have waited for Him, and He will save us. This is the Lord; we have waited for Him; we will be glad and rejoice in His salvation."

P: Here ends the reading of the first lesson.

HYMN 555 ("The Lord's My Shepherd, I'll Not Want") (a paraphrase of Psalm 23)

Second Lesson (1 Thessalonians 4:13-18, NKJV)

P: The second lesson is written in the 4th chapter of the First Epistle to the Thessalonians, beginning at the 13th verse.

P: *St. Paul writes:* But I do not want you to be ignorant, brethren, concerning those who have fallen asleep, lest you sorrow as others who have no hope. For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so God will bring with Him those who sleep in Jesus. For this we say to you by the word of the Lord, that we who are alive and remain until the coming of the Lord will by no means precede those who are asleep. For the Lord Himself will descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of an archangel, and with the trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ will rise first. Then we who are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. And thus we shall always be with the Lord. Therefore comfort one another with these words.

P: Here ends the reading of the second lesson.

HYMN 721 ("What a Friend We Have in Jesus")

**Gospel (John 14:1-6, NKJV) and Apostles' Creed*

P: Please rise. The Holy Gospel is written in the 14th chapter of the Gospel according to St. John, beginning at the 1st verse.

P: *Jesus said:* "Let not your heart be troubled; you believe in God, believe also in Me. In My Father's house are many mansions; if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and receive you to Myself; that where I am, there you may be also. And where I go you know, and the way you know." Thomas said to Him, "Lord, we do not know where You are going, and how can we know the way?" Jesus said to him, "I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me."

P: This is the Holy Gospel of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

P: Let us confess the faith into which Janet was baptized, the faith by which she lived, and the faith in which she died, in the words of the Apostles' Creed.

C: **I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.**

And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell; The third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; From there he shall come 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.

HYMN 783, verses 1-2, 5-7 ("Abide with Me; Fast Falls the Eventide")

Obituary and Sermon

HYMN 839 ("Rock of Ages")

**Prayers and Lord's Prayer*

P: Let us pray.

P: We thank You, dear heavenly Father, for the many blessings which You have bestowed upon our sister Janet, now fallen asleep in the faith. Comfort her family, and all who mourn, with Your promise of the resurrection to everlasting life. Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon her. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: **Hear our prayer.**

P: Grant that all who have been baptized into Christ's death and resurrection may die to sin and rise to newness of life, and that through the gate of death and the grave we may pass with Him to our joyful resurrection. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: **Hear our prayer.**

P: Grant to all who mourn a sure confidence in Your loving care, that, casting all their sorrow on You, they may know the consolation of Your love. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: **Hear our prayer.**

P: Give courage and faith to the family of your servant Janet, and to all the bereaved, that they may have strength to meet the days ahead in the assurance of a holy and certain hope, in the communion of Your Church, and in the joyful expectation of eternal life with those they love who have departed in the faith. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: **Hear our prayer.**