

## Nancy Munson December 8, 1946 — October 7, 2023

# The Burial of the Dead: Rite Two

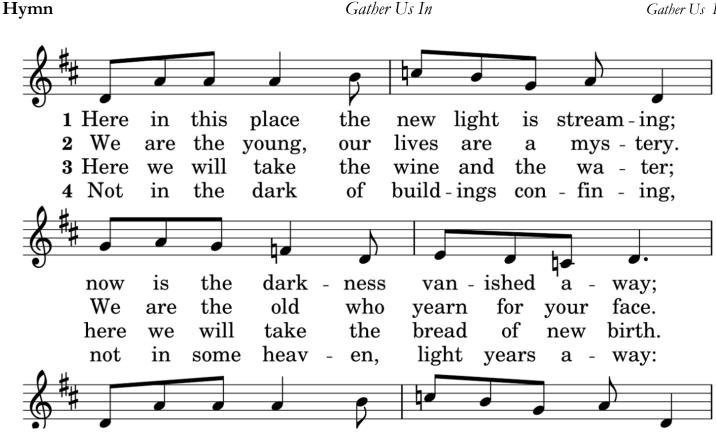
#### All stand while the following anthem is said.

I am Resurrection and I am Life, says the Lord. Whoever has faith in me shall have life, even though he die. And everyone who has life, and has committed himself 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 himself, and none becomes his own master when he dies. 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.

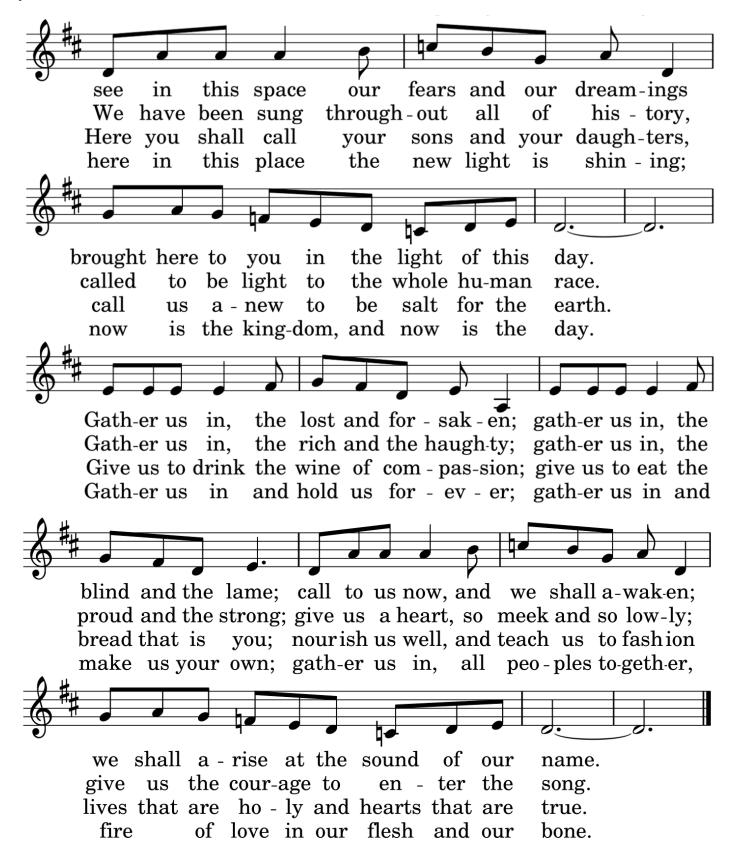
Happy from now on are those who die in the Lord! So it is, says the Spirit, for they rest from their labors.



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Hymn Continued



All:The Lord be with you.All:And also with you.Presider:Let us pray.

O God of grace and glory, we remember before you this day our sister, Nancy. We thank you for giving her to us, and 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**.

Most merciful God, whose wisdom is beyond our understanding: Be gracious to Nancy's family in their grief. Surround them with your love, that they may not be overwhelmed by their loss, but have confidence in your goodness, and strength to meet the days to come; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **AMEN**.

The people sit.

#### The Lessons

A reading from Lamentations

Lamentations 3:22-26,31-33

Madison Ruth Munson

The steadfast love of the LORD never ceases, his mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness. "The LORD is my portion," says my soul, "therefore I will hope in him." The LORD is good to those who wait for him, to the soul that seeks him. It is good that one should wait quietly for the salvation of the LORD.

For the Lord will not reject forever. Although he causes grief, he will have compassion according to the abundance of his steadfast love; for he does not willingly afflict or grieve anyone.

Reader:	The Word of the Lord
<i>All:</i>	Thanks be to God

Psalm 46:1-8, 11-12

Deus noster refugium

- 1 God is our refuge and strength, \* a very present help in trouble.
- 2 Therefore we will not fear, though the earth be moved, \* and though the mountains be toppled into the depths of the sea;
- 3 Though its waters rage and foam, \* and though the mountains tremble at its tumult.
- 4 The LORD of hosts is with us; \* the God of Jacob is our stronghold.
- 5 There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, \* the holy habitation of the Most High.
- 6 God is in the midst of her; she shall not be overthrown; \* God shall help her at the break of day.
- 7 The nations make much ado, and the kingdoms are shaken; \* God has spoken, and the earth shall melt away.
- 8 The LORD of hosts is with us; \* the God of Jacob is our stronghold.
- "Be still, then, and know that I am God; \*I will be exalted among the nations; I will be exalted in the earth."
- 12 The LORD of hosts is with us; \* the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

#### A reading from Second Corinthians 2 Corinthians 4:16-5:9 Ryn Kennedy

We do not lose heart. Even though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner nature is being renewed day by day. For this slight momentary affliction is preparing us for an eternal weight of glory beyond all measure, because we look not at what can be seen but at what cannot be seen; for what can be seen is temporary, but what cannot be seen is eternal. For we know that if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens. For in this tent we groan, longing to be clothed with our heavenly dwelling-- if indeed, when we have taken it off we will not be found naked. For while we are still in this tent, we groan under our burden, because we wish not to be unclothed but to be further clothed, so that what is mortal may be swallowed up by life. He who has prepared us for this very thing is God, who has given us the Spirit as a guarantee. So we are always confident; even though we know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord-- for we walk by faith, not by sight. Yes, we do have confidence, and we would rather be away from the body and at home with the Lord. So whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to please him.

Reader:	The Word of the Lord
<i>All:</i>	Thanks be to God

Hymn



#### The Gospel

# The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ According to John *All:* Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Martha said to Jesus, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother, Lazarus, would not have died. But even now I know that God will give you whatever you ask of him." Jesus said to her, "Your brother will rise again." Martha said to him, "I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day." Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?" She said to him, "Yes, Lord, I believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, the one coming into the world."

The Gospel of the Lord. *All:* **Praise to you Lord Christ.** 

(All seated)

#### Homily

The Rev. Benjamin R. Badgett

(All standing)

#### The Apostle's Creed

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

All: 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.

#### Prayers

For our sister, 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 Nancy, and dry the tears of those who weep. *All: Hear us, Lord.* 

You wept at the grave of Lazarus, your friend; comfort us in our sorrow. *All: Hear us, Lord.* 

You raised the dead to life; give to our sister eternal life. *All: Hear us, Lord.* 

You promised paradise to the thief who repented; bring our sister to the joys of heaven. *All: Hear us, Lord.* 

Our sister was washed in Baptism and anointed with the Holy Spirit; give her fellowship with all your saints. *All: Hear us, Lord.* 

She was nourished with your Body and Blood; grant her a place at the table in your heavenly kingdom. *All: Hear us, Lord.* 

Comfort us in our sorrows at the death of our sister; let your faith be our consolation, and eternal life our hope. *All: Hear us, Lord.* 

#### **Concluding Collect**

*Presider:* Father of all, we pray to you for Nancy, and for 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

*Presider:* The peace of the Lord be always with you.*All:* And also with you.

(Please stand as you are able. All greet one another in the name of the Lord.)

(Please be seated)

#### A Word of Welcome



# The Holy Communion

(All standing)

#### The Great Thanksgiving, Eucharistic Prayer B

Presider:	The Lord be with you.
<b>All:</b>	And also with you.
Presider:	Lift up your hearts.
<b>All:</b>	We lift them to the Lord.
Presider:	Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
<b>All:</b>	It is right to give God thanks and praise.

*Presider:* It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and every where 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:

## All: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

#### (Please stand or kneel as you are able)

*Presider:* 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 many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

#### Therefore, according to his command, O Father, *All:* We remember his death, We proclaim his resurrection, We await his coming in glory;

*Presider:* 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 St. Mark and 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

Presider: Let us pray together as our Lord Jesus Christ has taught us to pray:
All: 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 Presider breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept. Then may be sung or said

Presider:Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;All:Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Presider: The Gifts of God for the People of God.

# The Holy Communion: ALL are welcome to share in Communion. To Receive Communion, or a Blessing: Come to the altar rail when directed by the usher. Once at the altar, either kneel or stand. For Communion: Receive the bread by placing both palms up, with one hand on top of the other. You may either consume the bread, and then drink from the cup, or hold onto the bread and dip it in the chalice-a custom known as Intinction. Consuming either the bread or wine alone is full communion. If you choose to drink from the cup, assist the bearer by guiding it to your mouth. For a Blessing: If you prefer a blessing instead of Communion, simply cross your arms over your chest. If you have any mobility difficulties, remain seated and the clergy will bring communion to you.

 Hymn 645 (1982 Hymnal-Blue Book)
 The King of love my Shepard is
 St. Columba

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#### Post Communion Prayer

*Presider:* Almighty God, we thank you that in your great love you have fed us with the spiritual food and drink of the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ, and have given us a foretaste of your heavenly banquet. Grant that this Sacrament may be to us a comfort in affliction, and a pledge of our inheritance in that kingdom where there is no death, neither sorrow nor crying, but the fullness of joy with all your saints; through Jesus Christ our Savior. **AMEN**.

(All stand)

# The Commendation

The Presider and other ministers take their places.

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

*Presider:* 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.

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

*Presider*. Into your hands, O merciful Savior, we commend your servant Nancy. 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**.

Lord of All Hopefulness



The congregation may follow the family and clergy to the memorial garden.

# The Committal

Everyone the Father gives to me will come to me; I will never turn away anyone who believes in me.

He who raised Jesus Christ from the dead will also give new life to our mortal bodies through his indwelling Spirit.

My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spirit rejoices; my body also shall rest in hope.

You will show me the path of life; in your presence there is fullness of joy, and in your right hand are pleasures for evermore.

Then, while the ashes are placed in the ground, the Presider says these words

In sure and certain hope of the resurrection to eternal life through our Lord Jesus Christ, we commend to Almighty God our sister Nancy, and we commit her body to the ground; earth to earth, ashes to ashes, dust to dust. The Lord bless her and keep her, the Lord make his face to shine upon her and be gracious to her, the Lord lift up his countenance upon her and give her peace. **AMEN**.

Presider:The Lord be with you.All:And also with you.Presider:Let us pray.

#### The Lord's Prayer

Presider: And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,
All: 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.

# *Presider:* Rest eternal grant to Nancy, O Lord; *All:* And let light perpetual shine upon her.

*Presider:* May her soul, and the souls of all the departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. **AMEN**.

The Presider: dismisses the people with these words

Presider:Alleluia. Christ is risen.All:The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

Presider:Let us go forth in the name of Christ.All:Thanks be to God.

*Presider:* The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant: Make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight; through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory for ever and ever. **AMEN**.

The congregation is invited to a reception in the Parish hall.

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## Intercessor

Beth Wentworth

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Diverse, Urban, Eucharist Centered, Service-Oriented

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