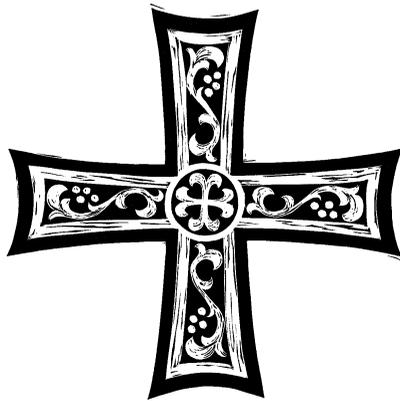


Memorial Service
in celebration of the life of

Karin A. Flatt

January 2, 1944—July 1, 2022



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PRELUDE

Selections by J. S. Bach

See page 11 for selection titles

Please stand.

ENTRANCE RITES

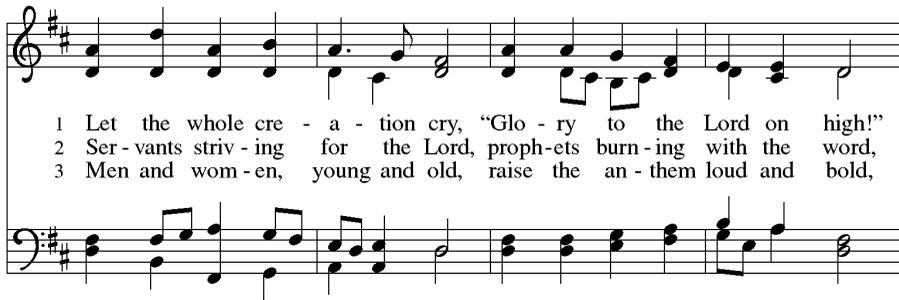
P Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
the source of all mercy and the God of all consolation,
who comforts us in all our sorrows
so that we can comfort others in their sorrows
with the consolation we ourselves have received from God.

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

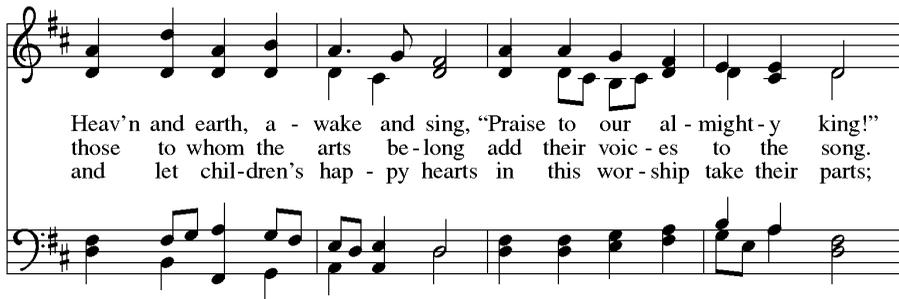
P When we were baptized in Christ Jesus, we were baptized into his death.
We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death,
so that as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father,
we too might live a new life.
For if we have been united with him in a death like his,
we shall certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his.

C **Thanks be to God.**

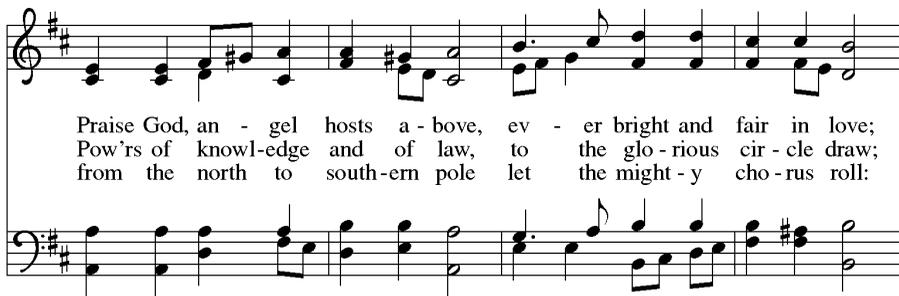
HYMN: Let the Whole Creation Cry



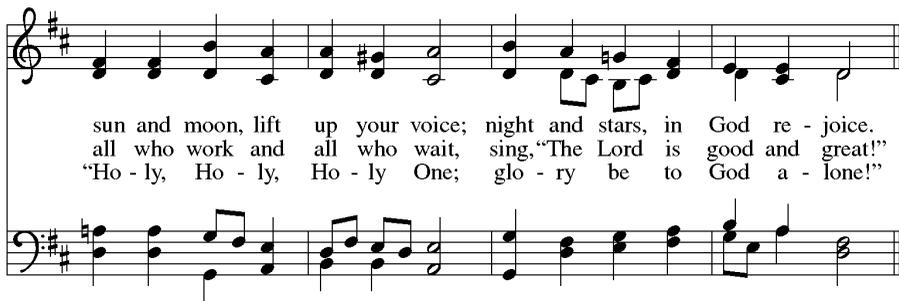
1 Let the whole cre - a - tion cry, "Glo - ry to the Lord on high!"
2 Ser - vants striv - ing for the Lord, proph - ets burn - ing with the word,
3 Men and wom - en, young and old, raise the an - them loud and bold,



Heav'n and earth, a - wake and sing, "Praise to our al - might - y king!"
those to whom the arts be - long add their voic - es to the song.
and let chil - dren's hap - py hearts in this wor - ship take their parts;



Praise God, an - gel hosts a - bove, ev - er bright and fair in love;
Pow'rs of knowl - edge and of law, to the glo - rious cir - cle draw;
from the north to south - ern pole let the might - y cho - rus roll:



sun and moon, lift up your voice; night and stars, in God re - joice.
all who work and all who wait, sing, "The Lord is good and great!"
"Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly One; glo - ry be to God a - lone!"

GREETING

- 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.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

- P** Let us pray. O God of grace and glory, we remember before you today our sister Karin. 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 faith to see that death has been swallowed up in the victory of our Lord Jesus Christ, so that we may live in confidence and hope until, by your call, we are gathered to our heavenly home in the company of all your saints; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
- C** **Amen**

Be seated.

FIRST READING: Isaiah 25:6-9

- A** Word of God, word of life.
- C** **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 46

- A** God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.
- C** **Therefore we will not fear, though the earth should change,
though the mountains shake in the heart of the sea;**
- A** though its waters roar and foam,
though the mountains tremble with its tumult.
- C** **There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God,
the holy habitation of the Most High.**

- A** God is in the midst of the city; it shall not be moved;
God will help it when the morning dawns.
- C** **Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life:
and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.**
- A** The nations are in an uproar, the kingdoms totter;
he utters his voice, the earth melts.
- C** **The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge.**
- A** Come, behold the works of the LORD;
see what desolations he has brought on the earth.
- C** **He makes wars cease to the end of the earth;
he breaks the bow, and shatters the spear;
he burns the shields with fire.**
- A** "Be still, and know that I am God!
I am exalted among the nations, I am exalted in the earth."
- C** **The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge.**

SECOND READING: Romans 14:7-9

- A** Word of God, word of life.
- C** **Thanks be to God.**

REFLECTIONS

The Rev. Fred S. Opalinski

Please stand.

GOSPEL: Matthew 5:13-26

- P** The Holy Gospel according to Matthew.
- C** **Glory to You, O Lord.**

After the reading:

- P** The Gospel of the Lord.
- C** **Praise to You, O Christ.**

Be seated.

HOMILY

The Rev. Timothy Weisman

Please stand.

HYMN: Amazing Grace

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.

APOSTLES' CREED

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

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come 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

A Let us pray. Almighty God, in holy baptism you have knit your chosen people together into one communion of saints in the body of Christ. Give to your whole church in heaven and on earth your light and your peace. God of mercy,

C hear our prayer.

A Grant that all who have been baptized into Christ's death and resurrection may die to sin and rise to share the new life in Christ. God of mercy,

C hear our prayer.

A Give courage and faith to all who mourn, and a sure and certain hope in your loving care, that, casting all their sorrow on you, they may have strength for the days ahead. God of mercy,

C hear our prayer.

- A** Grant to us who are still in our pilgrimage, and who walk as yet by faith, that, where this world groans in grief and pain, your Holy Spirit may lead us to bear witness to your light and life. God of mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- A** Help us, in the midst of things we cannot understand, to believe and trust in the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, and the resurrection to life everlasting. God of mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- A** God, the generations rise and pass away before you. You are the strength of those who labor; you are the rest of the blessed dead. We rejoice in the company of your saints. We remember all who have lived in faith, all who have peacefully died, and especially those most dear to us who rest in you. . . . Give us in time our portion with those who have trusted in you and have striven to do your holy will. To your name, with the Church on earth and the Church in heaven, we ascribe all honor and glory, now and forever.
- C** **Amen**

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

COMMENDATION

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

BENEDICTION

P The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make his face shine upon you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace:
In the Name of the Father, and of the † Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen

HYMN: Joy to the World—see page 10

This was Karin's favorite hymn.

HYMN: Joy to the World

1 Joy to the world, the Lord is come! Let earth re -
 2 Joy to the earth, the Sav - ior reigns! Let all their
 3 No more let sin and sor - row grow nor thorns in -
 4 He rules the world with truth and grace and makes the

ceive her king; let ev - 'ry heart pre - pare him
 songs em - ploy, while fields and floods, rocks, hills, and
 fest the ground; he comes to make his bless - ings
 na - tions prove the glo - ries of his righ - teous -

room and heav'n and na - ture sing, and heav'n and na - ture
 plains re - peat the sound - ing joy, re - peat the sound - ing
 flow far as the curse is found, far as the curse is
 ness and won - ders of his love, and won - ders of his

and heav'n and na - ture sing, and

sing, and heav'n, and heav'n and na - ture sing.
 joy, re - peat, re - peat the sound - ing joy.
 found, far as, far as the curse is found.
 love, and won - ders, won - ders of his love.

heav'n and na - ture sing,

DISMISSAL

- A** Let us go forth in peace,
G **in the name of Christ. Amen**

POSTLUDE

On Eagle's Wings

Michael Joncas

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You are invited to join the family in a light lunch in the auditorium following the service.

Karin Flatt's family wishes to thank all who have offered their sympathies, flowers and donations in her name. Your thoughts and prayers have been felt by us all.

Prelude: Selections by J. S. Bach

O Mensch, beweine deine Sünde groß (O man, bewail thy sin so great), BWV 622

Ach Herr, mich armen Sünder (Ah Lord, poor sinner that I am), BWV 742

Herzlich tut mich verlangen (My heart is filled with longing), BWV 727

Herr Christ, der ein'ge Gottes Sohn (Lord Christ, the only Son of God), BWV 601

Wer nur den lieben Gott lässt walten (Who only lets dear God rule), BWV 642

Wenn wir in höchsten Nöthen sein (When in the hour of utmost need) BWV 641

Liebster Jesu, wir sind hier (Dearest Jesus, we are here), BWV 731

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