The Requiem Eucharist in Celebration of the Life and Legacy of

Margaret Mary Wood

April 6, 1961 - January 15, 2023



Saturday, April 22 , 2022 1:00 PM

Rector

The Reverend Michele H. Morgan

Assistant Rector

The Reverend Christopher Phillips

Director of MusicJeff Kempskie

PRELUDE MUSIC

As the procession enters the Nave, all, as able, please stand.

I am Resurrection and I am Life, says the Holy One. Whoever has faith in me shall have life, even though they die. And those who have life, and have committed themselves to me in faith, shall not die for ever.

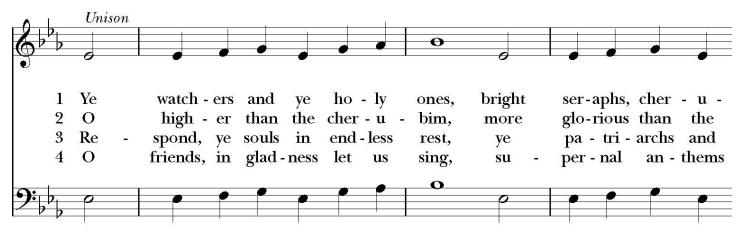
As for me, I know that my Redeemer lives and that at the last he will stand upon the earth. After my awaking, my Redeemer will raise me up; and in my body I shall see God. I myself shall see, and my eyes behold the one who is my friend and not a stranger.

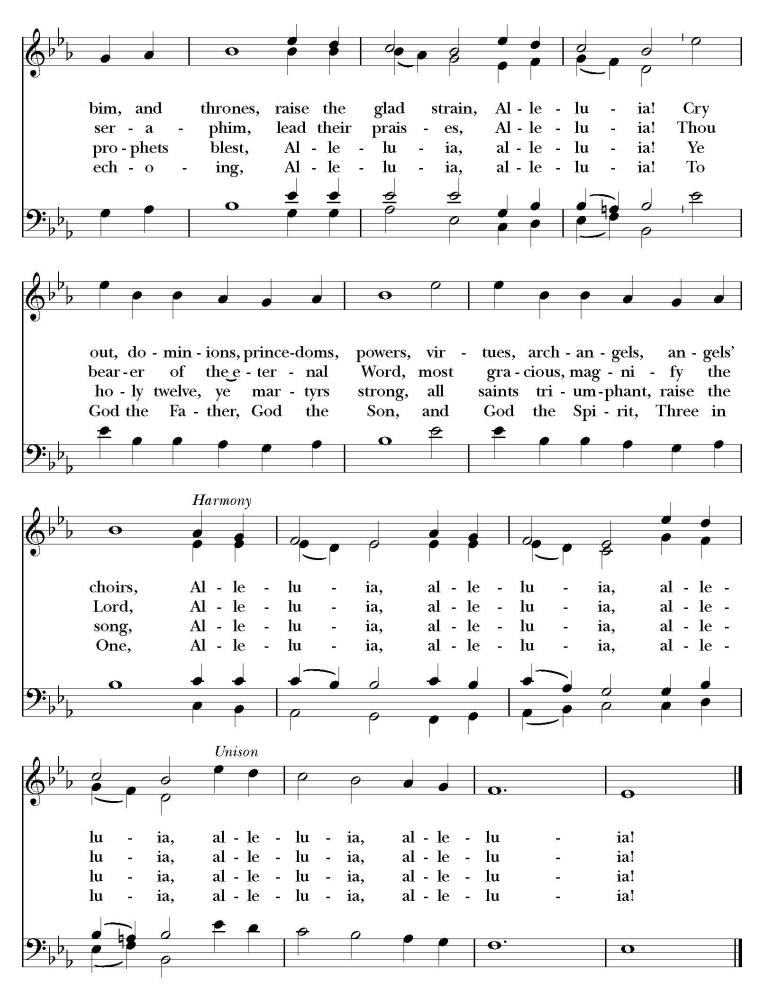
For we do not have life in ourselves, and we do not become our own god when we die. For if we have life, we are alive in God, and if we die, we die in God. So, then, whether we live or die, we are God's possession.

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

HYMN 618 Ye watchers and ye holy ones

Lasst uns erfreuen





THE COLLECT

God be with you. And also with you.

Let us pray.

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

The people sit.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

THE FIRST READING Willa Cather, Death Comes for the Archbishop

In New Mexico he always awoke a young man... His first consciousness was a sense of the light dry wind blowing in through the windows, with the fragrance of hot sun and sage-brush and sweet clover; a wind that made one's body feel light and one's heart cry "To-day, to-day," like a child's.

He had noticed that this peculiar quality in the air of new countries vanished after they were tamed by man and made to bear harvests . . . one could breathe that only on the bright edges of the world, on the great grass plains or the sage-brush deserts.

The air would disappear from the whole earth in time, perhaps; but long after his day. He did not know just when it had become so necessary to him, but he had come back to die in exile for the sake of it. Something soft and wild and free, something that whispered to the ear on the pillow, lightened the heart, softly, softly, picked the lock, slid the bolts, and released the prisoned spirit of man into the wind, into the blue and gold, into the morning, into the morning!

Psalm 42 1-7

As a deer longs for flowing streams, so my soul longs for you, O God.

My soul thirsts for God, for the living God.

When shall I come and behold the face of God?

My tears have been my food day and night, while people say to me continually, "Where is your God?"

These things I remember, as I pour out my soul: how I went with the throng and led them in procession to the house of God,

with glad shouts and songs of thanksgiving, a multitude keeping festival.

Why are you cast down, O my soul, and why are you disquieted within me?

Hope in God, for I shall again praise him, my help and my God.

My soul is cast down within me; therefore I remember you

from the land of Jordan and of Hermon, from Mount Mizar.

Deep calls to deep at the thunder of your torrents;

all your waves and your billows have gone over me.

THE SECOND READING Romans 8:14-19,34-35,37-39

For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, 'Abba! Father!' it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ—if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him. I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory about to be revealed to us. For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the children of God; Who is to condemn? It is Christ Jesus, who died, yes, who was raised, who is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us. Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will hardship, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

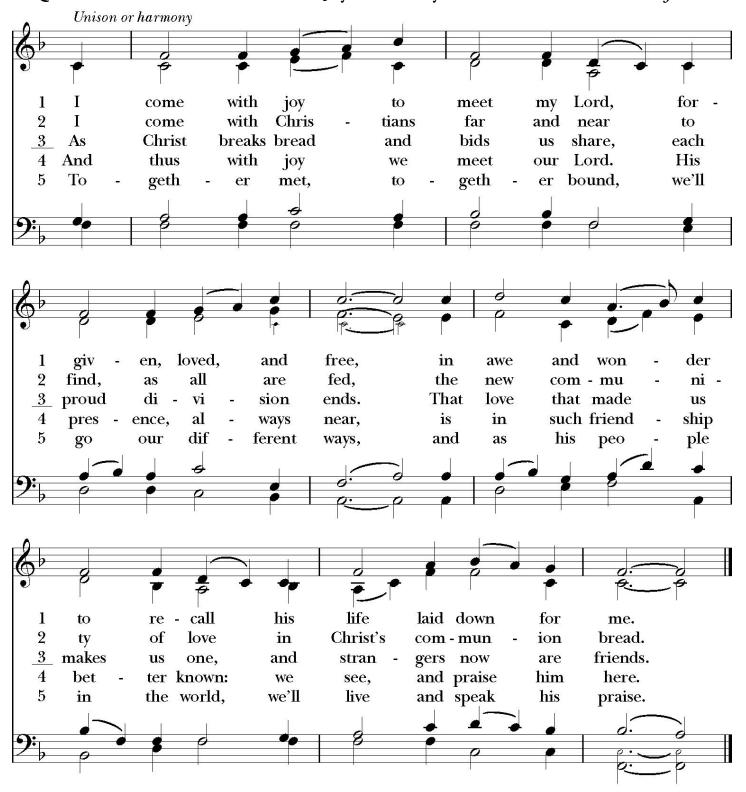
Hear what the Spirit is saying to us.

Thanks be to God.

All, as able, please stand.

SEQUENCE HYMN 304 I come with Joy to meet my Lord

Land of Rest



THE GOSPEL John 14:1-5

The Gospel of Jesus according to John. Glory to you, Lord Christ.

"Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house there are many dwelling places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. And you know the way to the place where I am going." Thomas said to him, "Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?" Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life.

The Gospel of Jesus.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The people sit.

REFLECTIONS

Stephanie Deutsch Jim Martin Sarah Wood

THE HOMILY

The Reverend Michele H. Morgan

MUSICAL REFLECTION

The people stand.

THE NICENE CREED

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father.

Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation

he came down from heaven:

by the power of the Holy Spirit

he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,

and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;

he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again

in accordance with the Scriptures;

he ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,

who proceeds from the Father and the Son.

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.

He has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead,

and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

For our sister Margaret, 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 Margaret, and dry the tears of those who weep.

Hear us, Lord.

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

Hear us, Lord.

You raised the dead to life; give to our sister eternal life.

Hear us, Lord.

You promised paradise to the thief who repented; bring our sister to the joys of heaven.

Hear us, Lord.

Our sister was washed in Baptism and anointed with the Holy Spirit; give her fellowship with all your saints.

Hear us, Lord.

She was nourished with your Body and Blood; grant her a place at the table in your heavenly kingdom.

Hear us, Lord.

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

The presider continues.

Jesus Christ, we commend to you our sister Margaret, who was reborn by water and the Spirit in Holy Baptism. Grant that his death may recall to us your victory over death, and be an occasion for us to renew our trust in your Father's love. Give us, we pray, the faith to follow where you have led the way; and where you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, to the ages of ages. Amen.

THE PEACE

May the peace of God be always with you.

And also with you.

All, one with another, exchange a sign of peace.

WELCOME

THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

OFFERTORY SOLO Lord of all hopefulness

Traditional Irish Melody arr. Richard Walters

Lou Bayard, soloist

Lord of all hopefulness, Lord of all joy, Whose trust, ever child-like, no cares can destroy, Be there at our waking, and give us, we pray, Your bliss in our hearts, Lord, at the break of the day.

Lord of all eagerness, Lord of all faith, Whose strong hands were skilled at the plane and the lathe, Be there at our labors, and give us, we pray, Your strength in our hearts, Lord, at the noon of the day. Lord of all kindliness, Lord of all grace, Your hands swift to welcome, your arms to embrace, Be there at our homing, and give us, we pray, Your love in our hearts, Lord, at the eve of the day.

Lord of all gentleness, Lord of all calm, Whose voice is contentment, whose presence is balm, Be there at our sleeping, and give us, we pray, Your peace in our hearts, Lord, at the end of the day.

The people stand.

THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

God is always present.

God is here, among us!

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the living God.

Let us give thanks to our sovereign God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere 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:

Holy, holy Lord, God of power and might: heaven and earth are full of your glory! Hosanna in the highest! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord; hosanna in the highest!

Holy and gracious Mother: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to

reconcile us to you, the God and Source of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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 all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me." Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom. All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: 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

And now, as Jesus taught us, we pray:
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.
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.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Alleluia! Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us. Therefore let us keep the feast! Alleluia!

THE INVITATION TO COMMUNION

We recognize this as God's table set before us and for all and this bread and wine as God's food for us and for all. Therefore whoever we are, from wherever we have come, and whatever we believe,

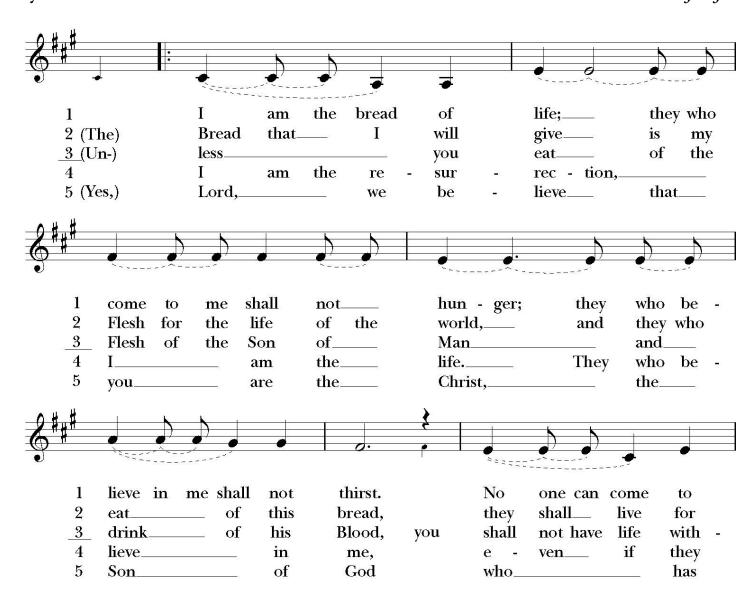
All are welcome and invited to receive. Amen!

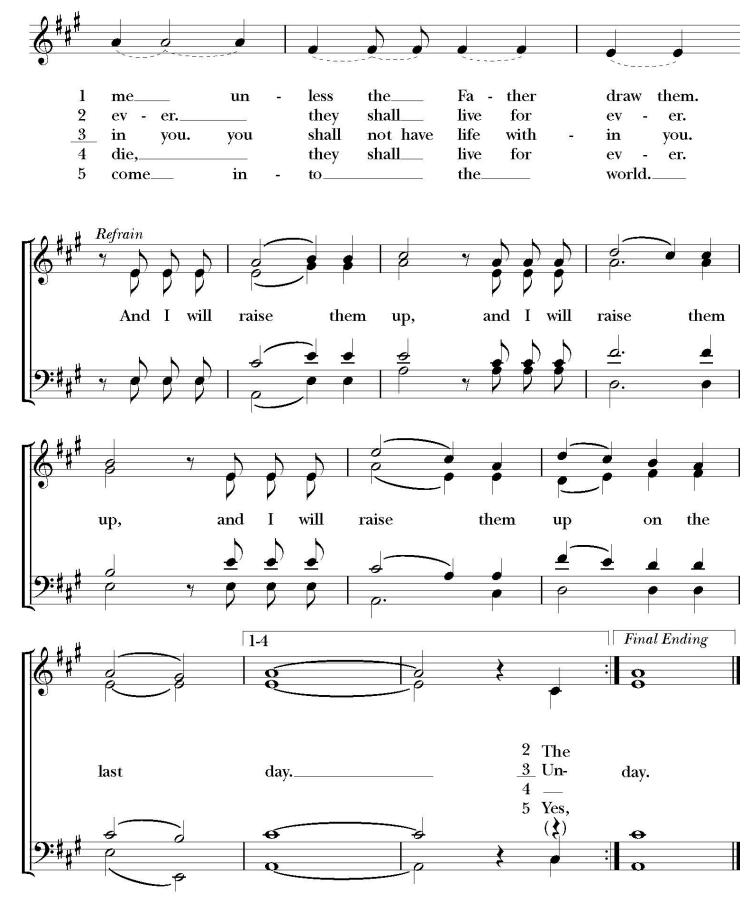
THE COMMUNION

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

Hymn 335 I am the bread of life

I Am the Bread of Life





The people stand.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Let us pray.

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.

THE COMMENDATION

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

You only are immortal, the creator and maker of humankind; 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, alleluia.

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

Into your hands, O merciful Savior, we commend your servant Margaret. 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.

Let us pray, saying together:

O God, whose days are without end, and whose mercies cannot be numbered: Make us, we pray, deeply aware of the shortness and uncertainty of human life; and let your Holy Spirit lead us in holiness and righteousness all our days; that, when we shall have served you in our generation, we may be gathered to our ancestors, having the testimony of a good conscience, in the confidence of a certain faith, in the comfort of a holy hope, in favor with you, our God, and in perfect charity with the world. All this we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

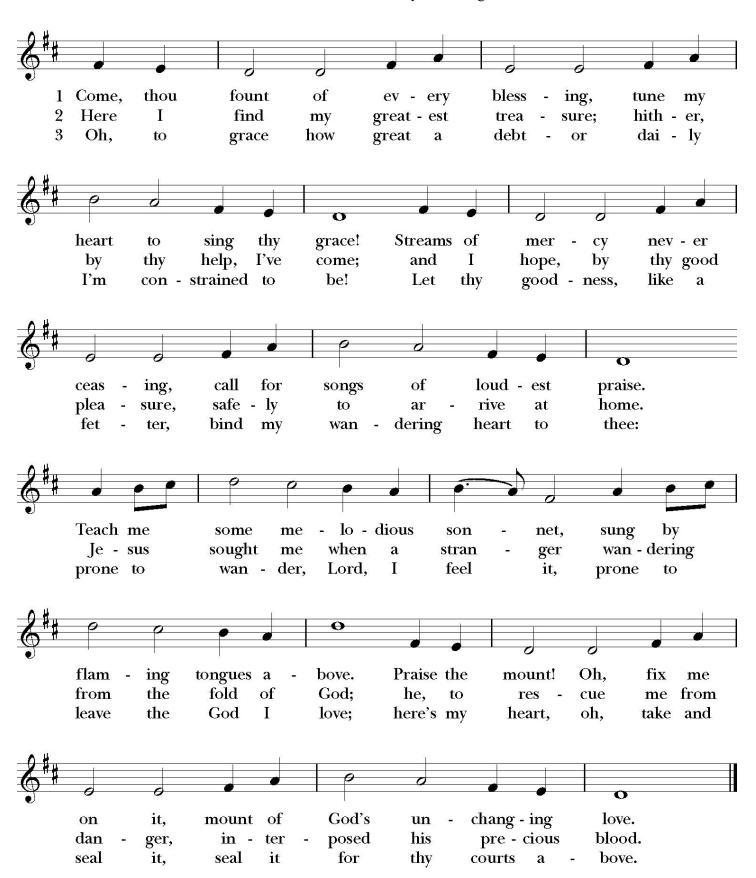
THE BLESSING

The world is now too dangerous and too beautiful for anything but love. May your eyes be so blessed to see God in everyone. Your ears, so you hear the cries of the poor. May your hand be so blessed that everything you touch is a sacrament. Your lips, so you speak nothing but the truth with love. May your feet be so blessed you run to those who need you. And may your heart be so opened, so set on fire, that your love, *your love*, changes everything. May the blessing of God, our Creator, our Redeemer, and our Sustainer be with us now and always.

Amen.

THE DISMISSAL

Go into the world and know how much a tired and hurting world needs your strength and gladness, for there are deeds of compassion and courage that will never be done unless you do them; and words of hope and healing that will never be spoken unless you speak them. And now let us go forth into the world in peace, to love and serve the Lord. **Amen.**



Liturgical Leaders & Worship Participants

Presider The Reverend Christopher Phillips

Homilist The Reverend Michele H. Morgan

Director of Music & Organist Jeff Kempskie

Soloist Lou Bayard

Readers Jack Kelly (Margaret's oldest nephew), First reading

Anne Kelly, Psalm

Susan Carlson, Prayers of the People

Altar Guild Susan Sedgewick

Verger Josie Jordan

Video Director David Deutsch

Technical Director Christoph Berendes

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Permissions Ye watchers and ye holy ones, Words: John Athelstan Laurie Riley (1858-1945). Music: Lasst uns erfreuen, melody from Auserlesene Catholische Geistliche Kirchengeseng, 1623; adapt. and harm. Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958). By permission of Oxford University Press. I come with joy to meet my Lord. Words: Brian A. Wren (b. 1936), alt. Music: Land of Rest, American folk melody; adapt. and harm. Annabel Morris Buchanan (1889-1983), © 1971 by Hope Publishing Company. I am the bread of life. Words: Suzanne Toolan (b. 1927), adapt. of John 6. Music: I Am the Bread of Life, Suzanne Toolan (b. 1927); arr. Betty Pulkingham (b. 1928), © 1971, G.I.A. Publications, Inc. Lord of all hopefulness. Words: Jan Struther (1901-1953), Music: Slane, Irish ballad melody. Come, thou fount of every blessing. Words: Robert Robinson (1735-1790), alt. Music: Nettleton, melody from A Repository of Sacred Music, Part II, 1813; harm. Gerre Hancock (b. 1934). All selections: All rights reserved. Reprinted and Livestreamed under OneLicense.net A-718991.

Margaret Mary Wood

(1961-2023)

Margaret grew up in Los Alamos, NM, and attended Oberlin College where she triple-majored in classics, religion, and medieval history. Moving on from Oberlin, she moved to New York City where she worked as a paralegal for a time. She obtained her Masters of Library Science from Catholic University, was a cataloguer for two national projects, and was the sole law librarian for the US Coast Guard. She landed in the heart of Washington, DC at the Library of Congress Law Library where she was a reference librarian for almost 20 years, taking great pride in educating the public on how to access the library's collection, and writing nearly 200 blog posts. She was an accomplished amateur baker, whipping up various delectable treats as gifts, thank-yous, and occasionally, bribes. An active member of St. Mark's Episcopal Church on Capitol Hill, she taught Sunday School and mentored youthful acolytes. She wore beautiful classic clothing and could recall in detail events both profound and mundane. She enjoyed traveling to New Mexico during the summers to visit family, attend the opera, and explore the outdoors in her one pair of sneakers.

Margaret is survived by sisters Sarah and Anne, and nephews Jack and Thomas, of New Mexico; her aunt Mary Lucius, and cousin Douglas Lucius of Virginia; cousin Martha Lucius of Baltimore; and niece Sally Myers of Philadelphia. She was preceded in death by her parents John and Eileen Wood; and her Uncle Hal Lucius.

In accordance with her wishes, Margaret was cremated. If you would like to honor her, please consider a donation in her name to the Dickens Project (dickens.ucsc.edu), the Santa Fe Opera (santafeopera.org), or your local library.