

**CELEBRATION OF LIFE
LUCILLE DURHAM
November 19, 2022**

Born: January 19, 1929 Died: October 31, 2022

PRELUDE:

“How Lovely Are Thy Dwellings” – Samuel Liddle

Welcome

Opening Hymn “The Old Rugged Cross”

**On a hill far away stood an old rugged cross,
The emblem of suffering and shame;
And I love that old cross where the dearest and
best for a world of lost sinners was slain.**

**Refrain: So, I'll cherish the old rugged cross,
till my trophies at last I lay down;
I will cling to the old rugged cross,
And exchange it some day for a crown.**

**To the old rugged cross I will ever be true,
It's shame and reproach gladly bear,
Then he'll call me some day to my home far away,
Where his glory forever I'll share.**

**And I'll cherish the old rugged cross,
Till my trophies at last I lay down,
And I will cling to the old rugged cross
And exchange it some day for a crown
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Stand

INVOCATION

The sign of the cross may be made by all in

remembrance of their Baptism.

P In the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

The Urn is covered with a funeral pall.

P In Holy Baptism Lucy was clothed with the robe of Christ's righteousness that covered all her sin. St. Paul says, "Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into His death?"

C **We were buried therefore with Him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of 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.**

INTROIT *Ps. 147:8–11; antiphon: Ps. 147:7*

Sing to the LORD with thanksgiving;

make melody to our God on the lyre!

He covers the heavens with clouds; he prepares rain for the earth;

he makes grass grow on the hills.

He gives to the beasts their food,

and to the young ravens that cry.

His delight is not in the strength of the horse,

nor his pleasure in the legs of a man,

but the LORD takes pleasure in those who fear him,

in those who hope in his steadfast love.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son

and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.
Sing to the LORD with thanksgiving;
make melody to our God on the lyre!

KYRIE

P Lord, have mercy upon us.

C **Christ, have mercy upon us.**
Lord, have mercy upon us.

SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray.

O God of grace and mercy, we give thanks for Your loving-kindness shown to Lucy 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.**

Sit

EULOGY

OLD TESTAMENT READING *Job 19:23-27a*

²³ "Oh that my words were written!

Oh that they were inscribed in a book!

²⁴ Oh that with an iron pen and lead

they were engraved in the rock forever!

²⁵ For I know that my Redeemer lives,

and at the last he will stand upon the earth.
²⁶ And after my skin has been thus destroyed,
yet in my flesh I shall see God,
²⁷ whom I shall see for myself,
and my eyes shall behold, and not another.
My heart faints within me!

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE *Revelation 21:1-7*

^{21:1} Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. ² And I saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. ³ And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "Behold, the dwelling place of God is with man. He will dwell with them, and they will be his people, and God himself will be with them as their God. ⁴ He will wipe away every tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning, nor crying, nor pain anymore, for the former things have passed away." ⁵ And he who was seated on the throne said, "Behold, I am making all things new." Also, he said, "Write this down, for these words are trustworthy and true." ⁶ And he said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give from the spring of the water of life without payment. ⁷ The one who conquers will have this heritage, and I will be his God and he will be my son.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

VERSE

P Alleluia, alleluia.

Jesus Christ is the firstborn of the dead;

C **to Him be glory and power forever. Alleluia.**

HOLY GOSPEL *Luke 2:25–32*

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the second chapter.

C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

²⁵ Now there was a man in Jerusalem, whose name was Simeon, and this man was righteous and devout, waiting for the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit was upon him. ²⁶ And it had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death before he had seen the Lord's Christ. ²⁷ And he came in the Spirit into the temple, and when the parents brought in the child Jesus, to do for him according to the custom of the Law, ²⁸ he took him up in his arms and blessed God and said, ²⁹ "Lord, now you are letting your servant depart in peace, according to your word; ³⁰ for my eyes have seen your salvation ³¹ that you have prepared in the presence of all peoples, ³² a light for revelation to the Gentiles, and for glory to your people Israel."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

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,
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 sits at the right
hand of God the Father Almighty.**

**From thence He will 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.**

Sit

HYMN OF THE DAY “How Great Thou Art”

- 1. O Lord my God! When I in awesome wonder
Consider all the worlds Thy hands have
made, I see the stars, I hear the rolling
thunder, Thy pow’r through out the universe
displayed,**

Refrain

**Then sings my soul, my Savior God to Thee;
How great Thou art, how great Thou art!
Then sings my soul, my Savior God to Thee;
How great Thou art, how great Thou art!**

- 2. When through the woods and forest glades I
wander And hear the birds sing sweetly in**

the trees; When I look down from lofty
mountain grandeur, And hear the brook and
feel the gentle breeze; Refrain.

3. And when I think that God, His son not
sparing, Sent Him to die, I scarce can in;
That on the cross, my burden gladly baring,
He bled and died to take away my sin;
Refrain.
4. When Christ shall come with shout of
acclamation And take me home, what joy
shall fill my heart! Then I shall bow in humble
adoration And there proclaim, my God, how
great Thou art! Refrain.

SERMON

Stand

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

P Let us pray to the Lord, our God and Father,
who raised Jesus from the dead.

P Almighty God, You have knit Your chosen
people together into one communion in the
mystical body of Your Son, Jesus Christ, our
Lord. Give to Your whole Church in heaven and
on earth Your light and peace. 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 so pass with Him
through the gate of death and the grave to our

joyful resurrection. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Grant that all who have been nourished by the holy body and blood of Your Son may be raised to immortality and incorruption to be seated with Him at Your heavenly banquet. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Give to the family of Lucy and to all who mourn comfort in their grief and 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 bereaved, that within the communion of Your Church they may have strength to meet the days ahead in the assurance of a holy and certain hope 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.

P Help us, we pray, in the midst of things we cannot understand, to believe and find comfort in the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Receive our thanks for Lucy and for all the blessings You bestowed on her in this earthly life. Bring us at last to our heavenly home that with her we may see You face to face in the joys

of paradise. Lord, in Your mercy,
C hear our prayer.

P O 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 He destroyed the power of death and by His resurrection He 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.

LORD'S PRAYER

P Taught by our Lord and trusting His promises, we are bold 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.**

NUNC DIMITTIS

P "I am the resurrection and the life," says the Lord. "He who believes in Me will live, even though he dies; and whoever lives and believes in Me will never die."

C Lord, now You let Your servant go in peace; Your word has been fulfilled.

My own eyes have seen the salvation which You have prepared in the sight of every people: a light to reveal You to the nations and the glory of Your people Israel. Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

P "I am the resurrection and the life," says the Lord. "He who believes in Me will live, even though he dies; and whoever lives and believes in Me will never die."

CONCLUDING COLLECT

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray.

Lord God, our shepherd, You gather the lambs of Your flock into the arms of Your mercy and bring them home. Comfort us with the certain hope of the resurrection to everlasting life and a joyful reunion with those we love who have died in the faith; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

P May God the Father, who created this body; may God the † Son, who by His blood redeemed this body; may God the Holy Spirit, who by Holy Baptism sanctified this body to be His temple, keep these remains to the day of the resurrection of all flesh.

C Amen.

P Let us pray.

Almighty God, by the death of Your Son Jesus Christ You destroyed death, by His rest in the tomb You sanctified the graves of Your saints, and by His bodily resurrection You brought life and immortality to light so that all who die in Him abide in peace and hope. Receive our thanks for the victory over death and the grave that He won for us. Keep us in everlasting communion with all who wait for Him on earth and with all in heaven who are with Him, for He is the resurrection and the life, even Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C Amen.

BENEDICAMUS AND BENEDICTION

P Let us bless the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

P The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.

The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and † give you peace.

C Amen.

P Let us go forth in peace,

C in the name of the Lord. Amen.

CLOSING HYMN “On Eagles Wings”

- 1 You who dwell in the shelter of the Lord,
Who abide in His shadow for life, Say to the
Lord: “My refuge, My rock in whom I trust!”**

Refrain

**And He will raise you up on eagles’ wings,
Bear you on the breath of dawn,
Make you to shine like the sun,
And hold you in the palm of His hand.**

- 2 The snare of the fowler will never capture you,
And famine will bring you no fear;
Under His wings your refuge,
His faithfulness your shield. Refrain**
- 3 You need not fear the terror of the night,
Nor the arrow that flies by day;
Though thousands fall about you,
Near you it shall not come. Refrain**
- 4 For to His angels He’s given a command
To guard you in all of your ways;
Upon their hands they will bear you up,
Lest you dash your foot against a stone. Refrain**

POSTLUDE “Rejoice in God’s Saints”

-Setting by David Cherwien

SERVING US AT WORSHIP TODAY:

Officiant Preacher: Rev. Tim Anderson

Pianist/Director: Ellen Brown

Refreshments after the Service.