



*“AS I HAVE
LOVED YOU,
SO YOU MUST
LOVE ONE ANOTHER.”*

JOHN 13:34, NIV

A Celebration of Life
for
Virginia Naney
June 18, 2022

Prelude
Call to Worship

P: Welcome in the name of Jesus, the Savior of the world. We are gathered to worship, to proclaim Christ crucified and risen, to remember before God our sister, Virginia, to give thanks for her life, to commend her to our merciful redeemer, and to comfort one another in our grief.

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

P: Eternal God, maker of heaven and earth, who formed us from the dust of the earth, who by your breath gave us life, we glorify you.
C: We glorify you.

P: Jesus Christ, the resurrection and the life, who suffered death for all humanity, who rose from the grave to open the way to eternal life, we praise you.
C: We praise you.

P: Holy Spirit, author and giver of life, the comforter of all who sorrow, our sure confidence and everlasting hope, we worship you.
C: We worship you.

P: To you, O blessed Trinity, be glory and honor, forever and ever.
C: Amen.

Processional Hymn - "A Mighty Fortress in Our God" ELW # 504

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.

P: Let us pray. O God of grace and glory, we remember before you today our sister, Virginia. 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 until, by your call, we are gathered to our heavenly home in the company of all your saints; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen

Reading Ecclesiastes 3:1-8

Psalm Psalm 23

Reading Psalm 61

Choir Anthem "My Faith Looks Up to Thee"

Gospel John 13:31-35

Homily

Hymn of the Day "Beautiful Savior" ELW #838

Apostles' Creed

P: God has made us his people through our Baptism into Christ.

Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith:

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

Prayers

P: Lord, in your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

The Lord's Prayer

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, Virginia. 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.

P: Almighty God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

C: Amen.

Recessional Hymn

"How Great Thou Art"

ELW #856

Pastor

Organist

The Rev. Michael Schmidt

Richard Snyder

Following the service, please join the family in Grace Hall for a luncheon served by members of Grace Lutheran Church. Burial will be at Resthaven following the luncheon.

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