

A MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR FLORENCE MCCALL

FEBRUARY 11, 1967 - June 21, 2025

THE OPENING ANTHEM

The People stand as able at the ringing of the bell

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.

THE OPENING PRAYER

Celebrant The Lord be with you.People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God of grace and glory, we remember before you this day our sister, Flo. 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.**

Most merciful God, whose wisdom is beyond our understanding: Deal graciously with Flo'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 WORD OF GOD

THE LESSONS

The People may be seated

A READING FROM THE HEBREW SCRIPTURES

ISAIAH 61:1-3

The spirit of the Lord God is upon me, because the Lord has anointed me; he has sent me to bring good news to the oppressed, to bind up the broken-hearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and release to the prisoners; to proclaim the year of the Lord's favour, and the day of vengeance of our God; to comfort all who mourn; to provide for those who mourn in Zion —to give them a garland instead of ashes, the oil of gladness instead of mourning, the mantle of praise instead of a faint spirit. They will be called oaks of righteousness, the planting of the Lord, to display his glory.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

PSALM 23

The Psalm will be read in unison

The Lord is my shepherd;

I shall not be in want.

He makes me lie down in green pastures

and leads me beside still waters.

He revives my soul

and guides me along right pathways for his Name's sake.

Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,

I shall fear no evil;

for you are with me;

your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

You spread a table before me in the presence of those

who trouble me:

you have anointed my head with oil,

and my cup is running over.

Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days

of my life,

and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

A POEM READ BY AMY LANE

THE GOSPEL JOHN 14:1-6

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

People 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 going, 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.'

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.
People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

HOMILY JIMMY BARTZ

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

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.SS 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 PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

The Intercessor and People pray responsively, kneeling or standing
For our sister Flo, 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 Flo, and dry the tears of those who weep.

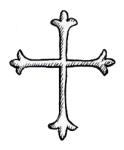
Hear us, Lord.

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.**

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

Lord Jesus Christ, we commend to you our sister Flo, who was reborn by water and the Spirit in Holy Baptism. Grant that her 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 COMMENDATION

Standing as you are able

Officiant Give rest, O Christ, to your servant with your saints,

Officiant Where sorrow and pain are no more, neither sighing, but life everlasting.

& People

Officiant 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, alleluia.

Officiant Give rest, O Christ, to your servant with your saints, where sorrow and pain are no

& People more, neither sighing, but life everlasting.

Officiant Into your hands, O merciful Savior, we commend your servant Flo. 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.

Officiant Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Thanks be to God.

CLOSING MUSIC

Please stand for the closing music. The family will leave the church escorted by the clergy. They invite you to remain for a reception and will greet friends outside on the labyrinth on the north east side of the church building.

THE DISMISSAL

As the procession passes down the aisle, you are invited to face the doors of the church for the Dismissal

Deacon Alleluia, Alleluia. Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

AN EXPRESSION OF GRATITUDE

Flo's family thanks you for being present today in the midst of our great loss. A "Flo-style" celebration of life party will be planned for later in the summer.

You are warmly welcomed to join that celebration when it happens.

AN EASTER LITURGY

The liturgy for the dead is an Easter liturgy. It finds all meaning in the resurrection. Because Jesus was raised from the dead, we too, shall be raised.

The liturgy, therefore, is characterized by joy, in the certainty that "neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, 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."

This joy, however, does not make human grief unchristian. The very love we have for each other in Christ brings deep sorrow when we are parted by death. Jesus himself wept at the grave of his friend. So, while we rejoice that one we love has entered into the nearer presence of our Lord, we sorrow in sympathy with those who mourn.

—Excerpt from the Book of Common Prayer, page 507

A CALL FOR LOVING SUPPORT

If you have the desire and the means, Flo's family welcomes financial gifts in support of Tanner and Anabel. St. John's Episcopal Church is receiving funds for Tanner and Anabel's immediate support. Flo's family has also established the Florence McCall Revocable Trust. Gifts to the Revocable Trust may be sent to First Interstate Bank attention Sarah Beninga PO Box 11095, Jackson, WY 83002

Any remaining funds given to St. John's Episcopal Church will be sent to the Florence McCall Revocable Trust in support of Tanner and Anabel's education funds.





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