

Christian Funeral Service  
for  
**Doris Jean Boyd**  
November 26, 1932—July 14, 2020



July 18, 2020  
St. John's Lutheran Church  
Summit, New Jersey



## GATHERING MUSIC

### “Thine Is the Glory”

*No more we doubt thee, glorious Prince of life;  
life is naught without thee; aid us in our strife;  
make us more than conqu'rors, through thy deathless love;  
bring us safe through Jordan to thy home above.  
Thine is the glory, risen, conqu'ring Son;  
endless is the vict'ry thou o'er death hast won!*

Text: Edmond Budry, 1854–1932; tr. R. Birch Hoyle, 1875–1939

### “Beautiful Savior”

*Beautiful Savior, King of creation,  
Son of God and Son of Man!  
Truly I'd love thee, truly I'd serve thee,  
light of my soul, my joy, my crown.  
  
Beautiful Savior, Lord of the nations,  
Son of God and Son of Man!  
Glory and honor, praise, adoration,  
now and forevermore be thine!*

Text: *Gesangbuch*, Münster, 1677; tr. Joseph A. Seiss, 1823–1904

*Please stand.*

## GATHERING

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 Doris, to give thanks for her life, to commend her to our merciful redeemer, and to comfort one another in our grief.

## INVOCATION AND OPENING SENTENCES

In the name of the Father, the ✠ Son, and Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Our help is in the name of the Lord,

**Who made Heaven and Earth.**

If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord;

**So then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's.**

## THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

All who are baptized into Christ have put on Christ. In her baptism, Doris was clothed with Christ. In the day of Christ's coming, she shall be clothed with glory.

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. **We glorify you.**

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. **We praise you.**

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

To you, O blessed Trinity, be glory and honor, forever and ever. **Amen.**

## APOSTOLIC GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray. O God of grace and glory, we remember before you today our sister, Doris. 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. **Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

## WORDS OF REMEMBRANCE

### MUSIC "Amazing Grace"

*Amazing grace! how sweet the sound  
that saved a wretch like me!*

*I once was lost, but now am found;  
was blind, but now I see.*

*'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,  
and grace my fears relieved;  
how precious did that grace appear  
the hour I first believed!*

*Through many dangers, toils, and snares  
I have already come;  
'tis grace has brought me safe thus far,  
and grace will lead me home.*

Text: John Newton, 1725-1807, alt.

**FIRST READING** Isaiah 25:6–9

<sup>6</sup>On this mountain the LORD of hosts will make for all peoples  
a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wines,  
of rich food filled with marrow, of well-aged wines strained clear.

<sup>7</sup>And he will destroy on this mountain  
the shroud that is cast over all peoples,  
the sheet that is spread over all nations;

<sup>8</sup>he will swallow up death forever.

Then the Lord GOD will wipe away the tears from all faces,  
and the disgrace of his people he will take away from all the earth,  
for the LORD has spoken.

<sup>9</sup>It will be said on that day,

Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him, so that he might save us.

This is the LORD for whom we have waited;

let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.

*The reader concludes:* The word of the Lord. *The assembly responds:* Thanks be to God.

**PSALM 121**

I lift up my eyes to the hills;  
from where is my help to come?

**My help comes from the Lord,  
the maker of heaven and earth.**

The Lord will not let your foot be moved  
nor will the one who watches over you fall asleep.

**Behold, the keeper of Israel  
will neither slumber nor sleep;**

The Lord watches over you;  
the Lord is your shade at your right hand;

**The sun will not strike you by day,  
nor the moon by night.**

The Lord will preserve you from all evil  
and will keep your life.

**The Lord will watch over your going out and your coming in,  
from this time forth forevermore.**

**SECOND READING** Romans 8: 31–35, 37–39

<sup>31</sup>What then are we to say about these things? If God is for us, who is against us? <sup>32</sup>He who did not withhold his own Son, but gave him up for all of us, will he not with him also give us everything else? <sup>33</sup>Who will bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. <sup>34</sup>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. <sup>35</sup>Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will hardship, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? <sup>37</sup>No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. <sup>38</sup>For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, <sup>39</sup>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.

*The reader concludes:* The word of the Lord. *The assembly responds:* **Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand.*

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

**Alleluia. O God, you have been our refuge from one generation to another. Alleluia.**

**GOSPEL** John 14:1–6

The Holy Gospel according to John. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>1</sup>Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. <sup>2</sup>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? <sup>3</sup>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. <sup>4</sup>And you know the way to the place where I am going." <sup>5</sup>Thomas said to him, "Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?" <sup>6</sup>Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

*Please be seated.*

**SERMON**

The Rev. Gladys G. Moore

*Silence for reflection follows.*



*Then 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 water as a gift from the spring of the water of life. Those who conquer will inherit these things, and I will be their God and they will be my children.*

Revelation 21:6–7

## MUSIC “How Great Thou Art”

*O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder  
consider all the works thy hand hath made,  
I see the stars, I hear the mighty thunder,  
thy pow'r throughout 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!*

*When through the woods and forest glades I wander,  
I 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*

*But when I think that God, his Son not sparing,  
sent him to die, I scarce can take it in,  
that on the cross my burden gladly bearing  
he bled and died to take away my sin; Refrain*

*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*

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*Please stand.*

## **APOSTLES' CREED**

With the whole church, let us 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 OF INTERCESSION

Lord in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

*Response at the conclusion of the prayer: Amen.*

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to 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; 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.**

## MUSIC “Children of the Heavenly Father”

*Children of the heav'nly Father  
safely in his bosom gather;  
nestling bird nor star in heaven  
such a refuge e'er was given.*

*Neither life nor death shall ever  
from the Lord his children sever;  
unto them his grace he showeth,  
and their sorrows all he knoweth.*

*Though he giveth or he taketh,  
God his children ne'er forsaketh;  
his the loving purpose solely  
to preserve them pure and holy.*

Text: Carolina Sandell Berg, 1832–1903; tr. Ernst W. Olson, 1870–1958

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## COMMENDATION

Let us commend Doris to the mercy of God, our maker and redeemer.

*Silence is kept.*

Into your hands, O merciful Savior, we commend your servant Doris. 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.**

## BLESSING

The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor † and give you peace. **Amen.**

## DISMISSAL

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

## POSTLUDE "Lift High the Cross"

*Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim  
till all the world adore his sacred name.*

*Come, Christians, follow where our captain trod,  
our king victorious, Christ, the Son of God. Refrain*

*So shall our song of triumph ever be:  
praise to the Crucified for victory! Refrain*

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## Doris Jean Boyd

Doris was born on November 26, 1932 to John and Mary Kuka in Bethlehem PA, where she graduated from Liberty High School and Moravian College. She married Walter J. Boyd in 1954, moved to New Providence, NJ in 1957, then to Summit, NJ in 1964 where they spent the next 40 years raising their family. She also spent almost 30 years enjoying winters in Vero Beach, FL. She died peacefully on July 14, 2020 at the age of 87.

Doris was an active member of St. John's Lutheran Church in Summit, NJ for over 60 years. She was the Chairperson of the church's Altar Guild for more than 25 years and was active on many other church committees. Doris was also a long-time member of the Twigs Auxiliary at Overlook Hospital and was active with the Girls Scouts and within the Summit community for many years. She was an avid bird lover and a talented artist with pen & ink and watercolors. She also enjoyed traveling and the theater.

Doris was predeceased by her loving husband Walter. She is survived by her four children, Robert of Napa, CA; Richard (Joan) of New Providence, NJ; John (Carol) of Shaker Heights, OH; and Barbara Yosaitis (John) of Great Falls, VA. She was the proud "Grandma B" of Meredith Boyd, Roger Boyd, Christopher Boyd, Alison Boyd (Matt Tyler), Margo Boyd, Jennifer Johnston (Carl), Robert Yosaitis and Carly Yosaitis.