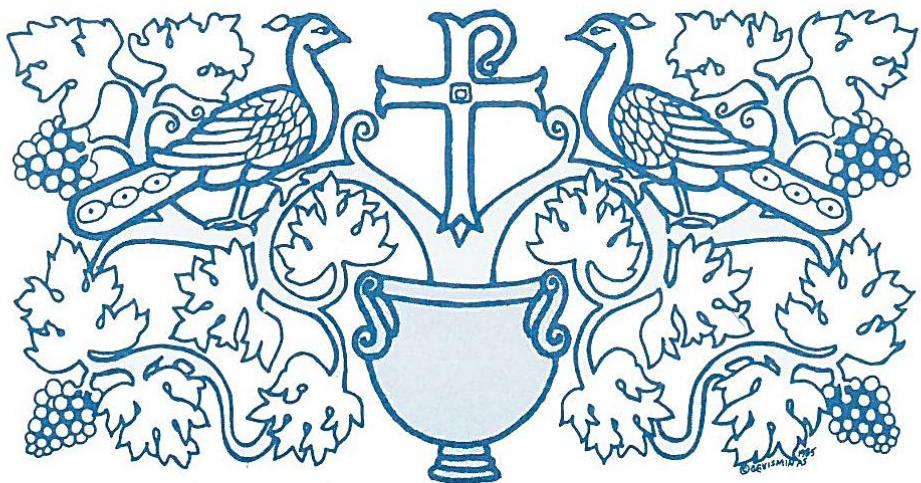


YET EVEN AT THE GRAVE
WE MAKE OUR SONG:



ALLELUIA
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Burial of the Dead

† Jo Ellen Kloehn †

Saturday, January 10, 2026 + 11:00 a.m.

Mount Olive Lutheran Church, Minneapolis, Minnesota

Born: November 25, 1943 + Baptized: December 26, 1943 + Died: January 5, 2026

We gather today to worship Almighty God, Father, + Son and Holy Spirit, who now welcomes † Jo Ellen † into her resurrection life.

The congregation is encouraged to participate in this service of worship by speaking the responses and prayers, and by singing the hymns. Please use this worship folder to follow the service.

The pall which is placed over the urn is a reminder of the white garment † Jo Ellen † put on at her baptism, a sign that in baptism we are clothed with the righteousness of Christ, our hope in life and in death. The Paschal candle is a symbol of Christ's presence, granted through his saving death and resurrection, for Jesus' resurrection has now become † Jo Ellen's † new and eternal life.

The Liturgy of Entrance

PRELUDE	Chorale Preludes by Paul O. Manz "Jesus, Still Lead On"	
	Two Settings of "Dearest Jesus, At Your Word" "Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus"	
Sinfonia from "Gottes Zeit ist die allerbeste Zeit," BWV 106		J. S. Bach

AT THE ENTRANCE TO THE CHURCH

(Please stand and face the entrance to the church when the bell sounds.)

¶ Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the source of all mercy and the God of all consolation, who comforts us in all our sorrows so that we can comfort others in their sorrows with the consolation we ourselves have received from God.

¶ **Thanks be to God.**

¶ When we were baptized in Christ Jesus, we were baptized into his death. We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, so that as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might live a new 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.

¶ Eternal God, maker of heaven and earth, who formed us from the dust of the earth, who by your breath gave us life:

¶ **C 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:

¶ **C We praise you.**

¶ Holy Spirit, author and giver of life, the comforter of all who sorrow, our sure confidence and everlasting hope:

¶ **C We worship you.**

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

¶ **C Amen.**

As the hymn begins, the urn is sprinkled with water, recalling Jo Ellen's baptism into Christ, and the congregation is also sprinkled.

AT THE PROCESSION

“For All the Saints”

Stanzas 1, 2 – All

Stanzas 3, 4 – All, in harmony

Stanza 5 – Choir

Stanzas 6, 7 – All

HYMN 422

GREETING AND PRAYER

¶ 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, Jo Ellen. 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.

C **Amen.**

The Liturgy of the Word

FIRST READING: Job 19:23-27a

(seated)

Response: C Thanks be to God.

PSALMODY: Psalm 150

The antiphon is sung by all where indicated.

The verses are sung by the choir.



¹Praise God in the holy place.

Praise God's power in the heavens.

²Give praise for God's mighty deeds.

Give praise for God's exceeding greatness. *Antiphon*

³Praise God with the sound of the horn.

Praise with the psaltery and harp.

⁴Praise God with the drum and dance.

Give praise with strings and flute. *Antiphon*

⁵Praise God with the cymbals strong.

Praise with the mighty crashing cymbals.

⁶Let all that breathes give praise.

Give praise, sing, "Alleluia." *Antiphon*

SECOND READING: I Thessalonians 4:13-18

Response: C Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION *(standing to face the cross as it is carried into the assembly)*



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Verse: Jesus Christ is the firstborn from the dead;
to him be glory and dominion forever and ever.

HOLY GOSPEL: John 3:14-17

Response after the announcement: C Glory to you, O Lord.

Response after the conclusion: C Praise to you, O Christ.

Please remain standing until the invocation is pronounced.

SERMON

A brief silence follows the sermon.

HYMN OF THE DAY

(standing)

“At the Name of Jesus”

HYMN 416

Stanza 1 – All

Stanza 2 – Treble voices

Stanza 3 – All

Stanza 4 – Low Voices

Stanza 5 – All

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

(kneeling)

Response: C hear our prayer.

PEACE

(standing)

You are invited to share God’s peace with those around you.

The Liturgy of the Eucharistic Meal

PREPARATION OF THE ALTAR

(seated, standing as the gifts are brought forward)

“We Shall Walk in the Valley”

Spiritual, arr. Undine Smith Moore

We shall walk in the valley in peace.

If Jesus, himself shall lead, we shall walk in the valley in peace.

There will be no trials there.

If Jesus, himself shall lead, we shall walk in the valley in peace.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

Sursum Corda

The musical notation consists of four staves of music in G major, common time, with a treble clef. The lyrics are as follows:

¶ The Lord be with you. C And al - so with you.

¶ Lift up your hearts. C We lift them to the Lord.

¶ Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Sanctus

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might:
Heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.
Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes
in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Eucharistic Prayer

- P** Holy God, holy and mighty, . . . the Lord's death until he comes.
- C** **Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**
- P** Therefore, O God, . . . great and promised feast.
- C** **Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**
- P** Send now, we pray, . . . with all your saints in light.
- C** **Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.**
- P** Join our prayers . . . holy Church, now and forever.
- C** **Amen.**

Lord's Prayer

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come, your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.**

**For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever.
Amen.**

AT THE COMMUNION

(seated)

Receive the bread, and then the wine by drinking from the first cup or dipping the bread in the second cup. The bread is gluten-free.

If you are unable to come forward, please alert an usher, and the ministers will bring the meal to you.

“O Christ, Lamb of God”

HYMN 196

“At the Lamb’s High Feast We Sing”

HYMN 362

Organ settings by John Ferguson

Stanza 1 – All

Stanza 5 – Low voices

Stanza 2 – Organ

Stanza 6 – Organ

Stanza 3 – Treble voices

Stanza 7 – All

Stanza 4 – Organ

Stanza 8 – Organ

“O Bread of Life From Heaven”

HYMN 480

After all have communed:

COMMUNION BLESSING

(standing)

*Response: **C** Amen.*

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

*Response: **C** Amen.*

Commendation and Committal

“When We See Christ”

Esther Kerr Rusthoi

This refrain was beloved of Jo Ellen, sung at both her parents’ funerals, and she sang it in her last days.

It will be worth it all when we see Jesus.

Life’s trials will seem so small when we see Christ.

One glimpse of his dear face, all sorrows will erase.

So bravely run the race ‘til we see Christ. — Esther Kerr Rusthoi

¶ Let us commend Jo Ellen to the mercy of God, our maker and redeemer.
Into your hands . . . the glorious company of the saints in light.
¶ **Amen**

NUNC DIMITTIS

“Now, Lord, You Let Your Servant Go in Peace”

HYMN 201

BENEDICTION

DISMISSAL

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

SENDING HYMN

“The Church’s One Foundation”

HYMN 654

Stanza 1 – All

Stanza 2 – All, in harmony

Stanza 3 – Low voices begin; treble voices along at “yet saints their watch...”

Stanza 4 – All, in harmony

Stanza 5 – All

POSTLUDE

“Lord, Thee I Love with All My Heart”

Johann Ludwig Krebs

*Following the liturgy, all are invited to the
Undercroft for a light luncheon.*

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