

IN CELEBRATION OF AND IN THANKSGIVING FOR THE LIFE OF

JUDY BEIRING

MAY 8, 1943 – MARCH 18, 2022



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ELEVEN O'CLOCK IN THE MORNING

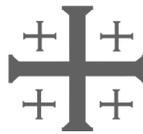
CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL

THE LITURGY OF THE DEAD

is an Easter liturgy. It finds all its meaning in the resurrection. Because Jesus was raised from the dead, we, too, shall be raised. The liturgy is characterized by joy, in the certainty that “neither death, nor life, nor angels, 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.

—The Book of Common Prayer, p. 507



¶ The Peoples responses are in bold

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

Sept Pièces pour Orgue
IV. Interlude

Théodore Dubois (1837-1924)

ANTHEMS AT THE ENTRANCE

¶ The People stand as the procession enters the cathedral

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.

HYMN *How great thou art*

1. O Lord my God, when I in awe - some won - der Con - sid - er
 2. When through the woods and for - est glades I wan - der And hear the
 3. And when I think that God, his Son not spar - ing, Sent him to
 4. When Christ shall come with shout of ac - cla - ma - tion And take me

1. all the worlds* thy hands have made, — I see the stars I hear the roll - ing*
 2. birds sing sweet - ly in the trees, — When I look down from loft - y moun - tain
 3. die, I scarce can take it in, — That on the cross, my bur - den glad - ly
 4. home, what joy shall fill my heart! — Then I shall bow in hum - ble ad - o -

1. thun - der, Thy pow'r through - out the u - ni - verse dis - played. —
 2. gran - deur, And hear the brook and feel the gen - tle breeze. —
 3. bear - ing, He bled and died to take a - way my sin. —
 4. ra - tion, And there pro - claim, my God how great thou art. —

Then sings my soul, my Sav - ior, God, to Thee: — How great Thou

art, — how great Thou art! — Then sings my soul, my Sav - ior, God, to

Thee: — How great Thou art, — how great Thou art! —

A READING 1 *Thessalonians 4:13-18* (NRSV)

We do not want you to be uninformed, brothers and sisters, about those who have died, so that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have died. For this we declare to you by the word of the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will by no means precede those who have died. For the Lord himself, with a cry of command, with the archangel's call and with the sound of God's trumpet, will descend from heaven, and the dead in Christ will rise first. Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up in the clouds together with them to meet the Lord in the air; and so we will be with the Lord for ever. Therefore encourage one another with these words.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.
Thanks be to God.

¶ The People stand

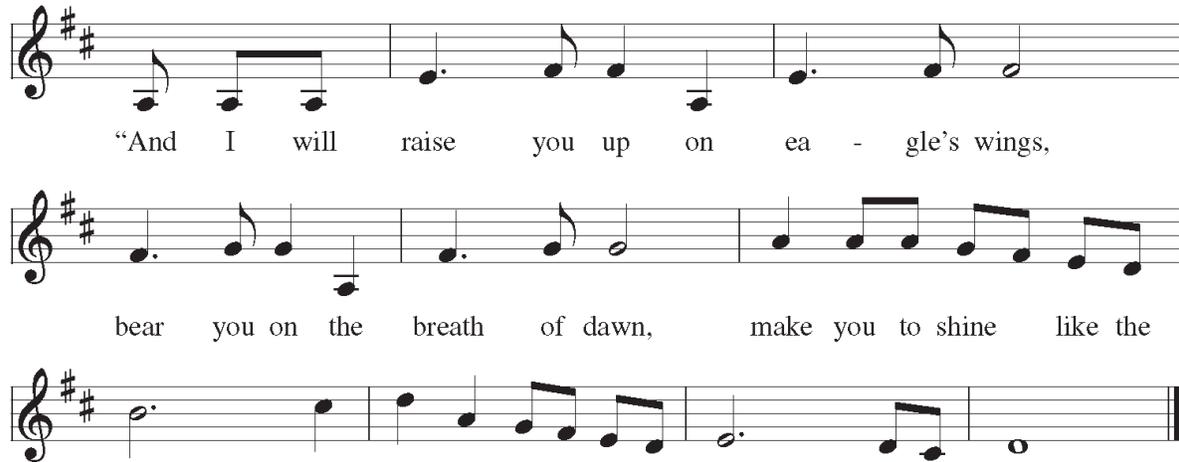
HYMN *On Eagle's Wings*

¶ The cantor sings the stanzas, all sing the refrain

stanza 1

You who dwell in the shelter of the Lord, who abide in this shadow for life,
say to the Lord: "My refuge, my rock in whom I trust!"

Refrain



“And I will raise you up on ea - gle’s wings,
bear you on the breath of dawn, make you to shine like the
sun, and hold you in the palm of my hand.”

stanza 2

Snares of the fowler will never capture you, and famine will bring you no fear;
under God's wings your refuge with faithfulness your shield.

Refrain

stanza 3

For to the angels God'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

THE GOSPEL *Matthew 5:3-10* (NRSV)

The Holy ✠ Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Matthew.
Glory to you, Lord Christ.

‘Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.
Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.
Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.
Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.
Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.
Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.
Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness’ sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.’

The Gospel of our Savior.
Praise to you, Lord Christ.

¶ The People sit

WORDS OF REMEMBRANCE

David Montgomery
Phil Hagner (*read by Claudia Montgomery*)

THE HOMILY

The Reverend Canon Manoj Zacharia

¶ The People stand

THE APOSTLES’ CREED

¶ The Celebrant introduces the Creed, saying

In the assurance of eternal life given at Baptism, let us proclaim our faith and say,
I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary.

He 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, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again 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.

THE PRAYERS

For our sister Judy, 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 Judy, 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.

Our sister was washed in Baptism and anointed with the Holy Spirit; give her fellowship with all your saints.

Hear us, Lord.

She was nourished with your Body and Blood; grant her a place at the table in your heavenly kingdom.

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.

¶ Silence may be kept

Lord Jesus Christ, we commend to you our sister Judy, 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 peace of Christ be always with you.

And also with you.

¶ The Ministers and People may greet one another. The Celebrant says an Offertory sentence

ANTHEM AT THE OFFERTORY

And I saw a new heaven and a new earth: for the first heaven and the first earth were passed away; and there was no more sea. And I John saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a great voice out of heaven, saying, "Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and he will dwell with them and they shall be his people, and God himself shall be with them and be their God. And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain, for the former things are passed away."

And I Saw a New Heaven

Text: Revelation 21:1-4

Music: Edgar L. Bainton (1880-1956)

¶ The People stand

¶ The People stand or kneel. The Officiant continues, recalling Jesus' incarnation, the last supper, and Jesus binding his presence to that of the bread and wine.

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,
We remember Christ's death, We proclaim Christ's resurrection, We await Christ's coming in glory;

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Savior of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us in the sacrifice of Jesus Christ, through whom we are acceptable to you, being ✠ sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your children; through Jesus Christ our Savior, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and for ever. 

A - MEN.

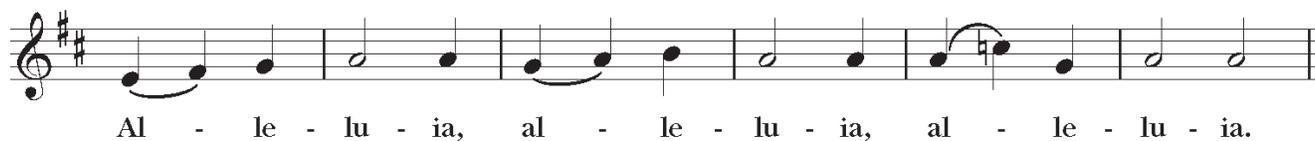
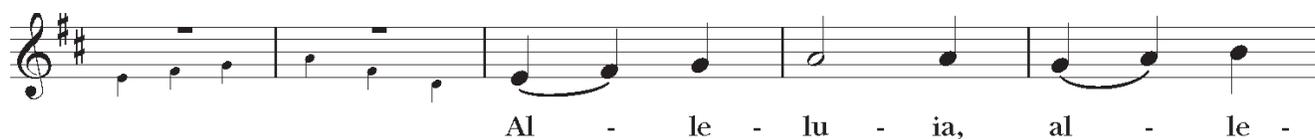
And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.

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 Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept



¶ Facing the People, the Celebrant may say an Invitation to Communion.

¶ Per updated guidelines wine will now be offered. If you wish to receive wine, please drink directly from the chalice but avoid intinction (dipping the host in the wine). If you choose not to receive wine, please know that receiving the host only is still full communion.

MUSIC AT THE COMMUNION

This joyful Eastertide,
Away with sin and sorrow!
My Love, the Crucified,
Hath sprung to life this morrow.
*Had Christ, that once was slain,
Ne'er burst his three-day prison,
Our faith had been in vain:
But now hath Christ arisen.*

My flesh in hope shall rest,
And for a season slumber:
Till trump from east to west
Shall wake the dead in number.
Had Christ, that once...

Death's flood hath lost its chill,
Since Jesus crossed the river:
Lover of souls, from ill
My passing soul deliver.
Had Christ, that once...

This Joyful Eastertide

Text: George R. Woodward (1848-1934)

Music: Dutch carol, arr. Charles Wood (1866-1926)

¶ Following Communion, the People stand

Let us pray.

Almighty God, we thank you that in your great love you have fed us with the spiritual food and drink of the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ, and have given us a foretaste of your heavenly banquet. Grant that this Sacrament may be to us a comfort in affliction, and a pledge of our inheritance in that kingdom where there is no death, neither sorrow nor crying, but the fullness of joy with all your saints; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

THE COMMENDATION

¶ The Celebrant and other ministers take their places at the body

Give rest, O Christ, to your servant with your saints,
where sorrow and pain are no more, neither sighing, but life everlasting.

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.

Give rest, O Christ, to your servant with your saints, where sorrow and pain are no more, neither sighing, but life everlasting.

¶ The Celebrant, facing the body, says

Into your hands, O merciful Savior, we commend your servant Judy. 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.

¶ The Celebrant, or the Bishop if present, may then bless the people, and a Deacon or other Minister may dismiss them, saying

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

HYMN *Joyful, joyful, we adore thee*

1 Joy - ful, joy - ful, we a - dore thee, God of glo - ry, Lord of love;
2 All thy works with joy sur-round thee, earth and heaven re - flect thy rays,
3 Thou art giv - ing and for - giv - ing, ev - er bless - ing, ev - er blest,

hearts un - fold like flowers be - fore thee, prais - ing thee, their sun a - bove.
stars and an - gels sing a - round thee, cen - ter of un - bro - ken praise.
well - spring of the joy of liv - ing, o - cean - depth of hap - py rest!

Melt the clouds of sin and sad - ness; drive the dark of doubt a - way;
Field and for - est, vale and moun - tain, bloom - ing mea - dow, flash - ing sea,
Thou our Fa - ther, Christ our Bro - ther: all who live in love are thine;

giv - er of im - mor - tal glad - ness, fill us with the light of day.
chant - ing bird and flow - ing foun - tain, call us to re - joice in thee.
teach us how to love each o - ther, lift us to the joy di - vine.

ORGAN VOLUNTARY
Sept Pièces pour Orgue
VII. Marche-Sortie

Théodore Dubois

Following the service there will be a reception in the Undercroft
where the family will meet you immediately following a private Committal.

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Memorial gifts may be made to
Christ Church Cathedral 5000 Club
or
Leukemia and Lymphoma Society

PARTICIPANTS IN TODAY'S SERVICE

The Very Rev. Owen C. Thompson, *Celebrant*

The Rev. Canon Dr. Manoj Zacharia, *Preacher*

The Rev. Susan Lehman, *Assisting*

Cheryl Eagleson, *Verger*

Jerry Stein, *Chalice Bearer*

Dianne Ebbs, Mary Lynn Woebkenberg, Suzann Parker Leist, & Jerry Stein, *Acolytes*

Calvin Montgomery & Jack Montgomery, *Readers*

The Christ Church Cathedral Choir

Stephan Casurella, *Canon Precentor & Director of Music*

Shiloh Roby, *Associate Director of Music*

John Grate, Paula Rose, Ed Burdell, Roland Ficke, Anne Jaroszewicz,

Jon Berger, Ron Slone, Danyale Marshall, Chuck Harris, John Treacy, & Kathy Sackett, *Ushers*



JUDITH M. BEIRING, or Judy as she was known to all, was born on May 8, 1943 in the Jamaica neighborhood of Queens, NY, the 2nd of two children of Gordon and Regina Young. One of her most notable first visitors was none other than Babe Ruth, who was greeting the young mothers at the maternity ward that day. The daughter of a NYC fireman and a retail buying executive, she grew up in the city with her brother, Gordon, and was surrounded by close cousins, aunts and uncles. Just two years before she was born, her mother's nearby family farm was surrendered to the wartime government for an airfield as part of eminent domain and later converted into JFK International. So, she was raised in a family with both deep city and farming roots, all from the NYC area. She graduated from Andrew Jackson high school in 1961 and then set off on her lifelong professional passion of nursing, attending St. Mary's Nursing School in Rochester, MN, which was paired with the Mayo Clinic. Her love of nursing and deeply committed sense of service would be hallmarks of virtually every life chapter that followed.

Her first career nursing position was at Camp Courage, part of the Minnesota Society for Crippled Children. It was also here that she met a young assistant camp director, Richard Montgomery, whom she later married in January of 1965. Sadly, her brother was killed in a commercial plane crash just two months before the wedding. This was followed by another camp nurse role at Christ Church Camp in Cincinnati, which was affiliated with the Episcopal cathedral in that same city. During their four years in Cincinnati, Judy and Dick had three children: Gordon, David and Kimberly. The family then moved to NYC for a few years before settling in Massachusetts. Judy would continue to stay active in her nursing career, rotating through roles in the ER, pediatrics, geriatrics and, her favorite among all of them, time working at the Williams College Infirmary. Even in retirement, she volunteered as an elementary school nurse and was forever a "nurse on call" for her extended family.

After the kids were done with school, Judy and Dick decided to divorce and she relocated to Cincinnati where she fondly recalled friendships from her younger adult years. There she had the great fortune to reconnect with one of these longtime friends, Bob Beiring (who was also her son David's godfather). They each found delight in a new love that inspired them both to remarkable new levels of happiness for 30 years to follow.

Outside of work, Judy's loves included activities with her family, church, gardening, cooking for others, photography and travel. She was an uber fan of her kids' and later grandkids' sports and stage activities, logging countless supportive hours and enthusiastically wearing just about every team color in the rainbow. Her love of gardening and flowers, perhaps born out of the family farming heritage, led her to cultivate beautiful surroundings in both church and around her homes. Trips to Europe while still a student also inspired a lifelong thrill in traveling, something that she took up with Bob in earnest as they together collected flags from 95 countries, representing each country they visited across the globe. Perhaps most memorable for her extended family was her delight in being an inspired grandparent who with Bob would take the kids on adventures small and large, including many of our national parks and far-flung international destinations selected by her different grandchildren.

She leaves behind her husband, Bob Beiring; her three children: Gordon, his wife Claudia and their children, Matilda, Calvin, Ethan and Oliver; David, his wife Carrie and their children, Jack and Brooke; and Kimberly; Bob's two children: Lisa, her husband Jeff and their children, Logan and Kirby; and Rex and his children, Brooke and Lauren.

In lieu of flowers, anyone desiring to leave something in Judy's memory might consider a donation to the Christ Church Cathedral's 5000 Club, which feeds the local hungry, or the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society.

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