In Thanksgiving for the life of

Nancy Holmgren Norelli

January 3, 1948 – November 3, 2024



Friday, January 10, 2025
2:00 p.m.
Christ Episcopal Church,
Sausalito, California

The Rite of Christian Burial

Prelude *Hanalei Moon* played by Sandy _____

At the sound of the bell, all stand and join in singing the Processional Hymn.

Processional Hymn *Faith of our fathers* Hymnal #558

Opening Anthem *(read by the Celebrant)* BCP pg. 491

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you**.
Celebrant Let us pray.

Collects for Burial

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

People **Amen.**

Almighty and eternal God, to whom there is never a prayer made without the hope of mercy, be gracious to your servant, Nancy, being departed from this world in the confession of your Holy Name, that she and all the departed may be welcomed into the company of the saints, through Christ our Lord.

People **Amen.**

First Reading Wisdom of Solomon 3:1-5,9

The souls of the righteous are in the hand of God, and no torment will ever touch them. In the eyes of the foolish they seemed to have died, and their departure was thought to be a disaster, and their going from us to be their destruction; but they are at peace. For though in the sight of others they were punished, their hope is full of immortality. Having been disciplined a little, they will receive great good, because God tested them and found them worthy of himself; those who trust in him will understand truth, and the faithful will abide with him in love, because grace and mercy are upon his holy ones, and he watches over his elect.

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God**.

Psalm 46: 1-3, 10-11

All read together

1 God is our refuge and strength, *
a very present help in trouble.

2 Therefore, we will not fear, though the earth be moved, *
and though the mountains be toppled into the
depths of the sea;

3 Though its waters rage and foam, *
and though the mountains tremble at its tumult.

10 It is he who makes war to cease in all the world; *
he breaks the bow, and shatters the spear,
and burns the shields with fire.

11 "Be still, then, and know that I am God; *
I will be exalted among the nations;
I will be exalted in the earth."

Second Reading 2 Corinthians 4:16-18

So we do not lose heart. Even though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner nature is being renewed day by day. For our slight, momentary affliction is producing for us an eternal weight of glory beyond all measure, because we look not at what can be seen but at what cannot be seen, for what can be seen is temporary, but what cannot be seen is eternal.

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God**.

All stand and sing.

The Gospel Hymn *How great thou art*

O Lord my God, When I in awesome wonder,
Consider all the worlds Thy Hands have made;
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder,
Thy power throughout the universe displayed.

Then sings my soul, My Saviour God, to Thee,
How great Thou art, How great Thou art.
Then sings my soul, My Saviour God, to Thee,
How great Thou art, How great Thou art!

And 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.

Then sings my soul, My Saviour God, to Thee,
How great Thou art, How great Thou art.
Then sings my soul, My Saviour God, to Thee,
How great Thou art, How great Thou art!

Holy Gospel John 5:24-26

All stand.

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.
People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

"Very truly, I tell you, anyone who hears my word and believes him who sent me has eternal life, and does not come under judgement, but has passed from death to life. Very truly, I tell you, the hour is coming, and is now here, when the dead will hear the voice of the Son of God, and those who hear will live. For just as the Father has life in himself, so he has granted the Son also to have life in himself."

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

Homily The Rev. Chip Larrimore

Eulogies

Reflection Hymn *O God, our help in ages past* Hymnal #680

Apostles' Creed

At the conclusion of the eulogies, all stand and together 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.

Prayers of the People

The Leader then says

For our sister Nancy, 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 Nancy, and dry the tears of those who weep.

People **Hear us, Lord.**

You wept at the grave of Lazarus, your friend; comfort us in our sorrow.

People **Hear us, Lord.**

You raised the dead to life; give to our sister eternal life.

People **Hear us, Lord.**

You promised paradise to the thief who repented; bring our sister to the joys of heaven.

People **Hear us, Lord.**

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

People **Hear us, Lord.**

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

People **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.

The Celebrant concludes with the following prayer

Rest eternal grant to your servant Nancy, O Lord, and let light perpetual shine upon her. May she rest in peace.

People: **Amen**.

Peace

All stand.

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Then the Ministers and the People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

The Holy Communion

Preparation Anthem *Amazing grace* *sung by:* Isla Norelli Cox

When the altar is prepared, all stand and sing.

Hawaiian Doxology

Hoʻonani i ka Makua Mau,
Ke Keiki me ka ʻUhane nō,
Ke Akua Mau hoʻomaikaʻi pū,
Kō kēia ao, kō kēlā ao.
Āmene.

Praise God from whom all blessings flow,
Praise Him all creatures here below,
Praise Him above ye heavenly host,
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.
Amen.

The people remain standing. The Celebrant faces them and says

The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds, concluding with

Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising the, and saying,

Celebrant and People say

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might:
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

The people remain standing or may kneel as the Celebrant continues, concluding with

therefore, we proclaim the mystery of faith;

Celebrant and People say

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues, concluding with

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

Lord's Prayer

Celebrant and People say together

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 Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread and says

Celebrant: Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.
People: **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!**

Facing the people, the Celebrant says an Invitation to Communion.

After all have received, the following is read by a member of the family

Death Is Nothing At All

by Henry Scott Holland

Death is nothing at all.
I have only slipped away to the next room.
I am I and you are you.
Whatever we were to each other,
That, we still are.

Call me by my old familiar name.
Speak to me in the easy way
which you always used.
Put no difference into your tone.
Wear no forced air of solemnity or sorrow.

Laugh as we always laughed
at the little jokes we enjoyed together.
Play, smile, think of me. Pray for me.
Let my name be ever the household word
that it always was.
Let it be spoken without effect.
Without the trace of a shadow on it.

Life means all that it ever meant.
It is the same that it ever was.
There is absolute unbroken continuity.
Why should I be out of mind
because I am out of sight?

I am but waiting for you.
For an interval.
Somewhere. Very near.
Just around the corner.

All is well.

The Celebrant and People then stand and together say

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.

Commendation

Into your hands, O merciful Savior, we commend your servant, Nancy. Acknowledge, we humbly beseech you, a sheep of your own fold, a lamb of your own flock, a sinner of your own redeeming. Receive *him* into the arms of your mercy, into the blessed rest of everlasting peace, and into the glorious company of the saints in light.

People: **Amen.**

Celebrant: We celebrate the life of our sister Nancy who has returned home to our Lord in heaven. Aloha ‘Oe Nancy, until we meet again.”.

Blessing

The Celebrant blesses the people, saying

To you who are gathered here today, may the Lord bless and protect you. May the Lord’s face radiate with joy because of you. May God be gracious to you, show you his favor, and grant you peace.

People: **Amen.**

Closing Hymn *We walk by faith* Hymnal #209

Celebrant Alleluia, alleluia. Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.**

Postlude ***Aloha O'e*** played by Sandy _____

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