

SERVICE OF VICTORY

AS WE GATHER

Today we gather in the name of the Triune God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, to remember the life of Randy Patterson, and to proclaim the victory of Jesus Christ who has been raised from the dead. Both the Old and the New Testaments of the Holy Bible speak powerfully of the resurrection of the dead. Isaiah, Hosea, and Paul all remind us, "Death is swallowed up in victory. O death, where is thy victory? O death, where is thy sting?" The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ".

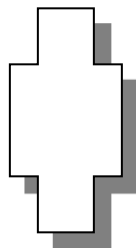
Such is the wonder of the Christian faith. When a Christian loved one is taken from us in death, we have the assurance that he or she has won the victory! Our struggle with sin and death, pain and sorrow continues, but his victory is complete! Our sense of loss can be overwhelming, but his victory is won!

[PRESERVICE MUSIC](#)

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LOUISE MARIE LESLIE

MAY 29, 1936 TO JUNE 9, 2016



WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION

CALLING ON GOD 1 CORINTHIANS 15:57 AND PSALM 121

Stand (as you are able)

Pastor: In the name of the Father, the † Son, and the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

Pastor: Thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

People: Thanks be to God!

Pastor: I look up toward the mountains. Where can I find help?

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

Pastor: He will not let you fall. Your guardian will not fall asleep.

People: Indeed, the Guardian of Israel never rests or sleeps.

Pastor: The Lord is your guardian. The Lord is the shade over your right hand.

People: The sun will not beat down on you during the day, nor will the moon at night.

Pastor: The Lord guards you from every evil. He guards your life.

People: The Lord guards you as you come and go, now and forever.

Pastor: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;

People: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Pastor: Thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

People: Thanks be to God!

OPENING HYMN "Green Book" 377

Lift High the Cross

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

**Come, brethren, follow where our Captain trod,
our King victorious, Christ the Son of God.
Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim
till all the world adore his sacred Name.**

**Led on their way by this triumphant sign,
the hosts of God in conquering ranks combine.
Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim
till all the world adore his sacred Name.**

**All newborn soldier of the Crucified
bears on the brow the seal of him who died.
Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim
till all the world adore his sacred Name.**

**O Lord, once lifted on the glorious tree,
as thou hast promised, draw the world to thee.
Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim
till all the world adore his sacred Name.**

**So shall our song Of triumph ever be:
Praise to the Crucified For victory.
Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim
till all the world adore his sacred Name.**

PRAYER

Pastor: Let us pray. O God of grace and mercy, we give thanks for Your loving-kindness shown to Louise and to all Your servants who, having finished their course in faith, now rest from their labors. Grant that we also may be faithful unto death and receive the crown of eternal life; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

Sit

HANDBELL CHOIR It Is Well with My Soul Arr. Margaret R. Tucker

OLD TESTAMENT PSALM 46

God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.
Therefore we will not fear though the earth gives way, though the mountains be moved into the heart of the sea, though its waters roar and foam, though the mountains tremble at its swelling. There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God,
the holy habitation of the Most High.
God is in the midst of her; she shall not be moved; God will help her when morning dawns.
The nations rage, the kingdoms totter; he utters his voice, the earth melts.
The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress.
Come, behold the works of the LORD, how he has brought desolations on the earth.
He makes wars cease to the end of the earth; he breaks the bow and shatters the spear;
he burns the chariots with fire.
"Be still, and know that I am God. I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth!"
The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress.

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

PEACE LUTHERAN CHOIR Shelter in the Storm Arr. Joel Raney

Stand (as you are able)

GOSPEL **JOHN 14:1-6**

“Let not your hearts be troubled. Believe in God; believe also in me. ²In my Father's house are many rooms. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? ³And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, that where I am you may be also. ⁴And you know the way to where I am going.” ⁵Thomas said to him, “Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?” ⁶Jesus said to him, “I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. ⁷If you had known me, you would have known my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him.”

Pastor: This is the Gospel of our Lord.

People: **Praise to You, O Christ.**

Sit

HYMN “Red Book” 187 **Seek Ye First**

Seek ye first the Kingdom of God and his righteousness,
And all these things shall be added unto you.
Allelu, alleluia.

Man shall not live by bread alone, but by ev'ry word
That proceeds from the mouth of God.
Allelu, alleluia.

Ask, and it shall be given unto you. Seek, and ye shall find.
Knock, and the door shall be opened unto you.
Allelu, alleluia.

WORDS OF COMFORT **Pastor Lucke**

Stand (as you are able)

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.
And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen

PRAYER

Pastor: Let us pray to the Lord, our God and Father, who raised Jesus from the dead.

Pastor: Almighty God, You have knit Your chosen people together into one communion in the mystical body of Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. Give to Your whole Church in heaven and on earth Your light and Your peace. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: Hear our prayer.

Pastor: Give to the family of Louise and to all who mourn comfort in their grief and a sure confidence in Your loving care that, casting all their sorrow on You, they may know the consolation of Your love. Lord, in your mercy,

People: Hear our prayer.

Pastor: Give courage and faith to the bereaved, that within the communion of Your Church they may have strength to meet the days ahead in the assurance of a holy and certain hope and in the joyful expectation of eternal life with those they love who have departed in the faith. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: Hear our prayer.

Pastor: Receive our thanks for Louise and for all the blessings You bestowed on her in this earthly life. Bring us at last to our heavenly home that with her we may see You face to face in the joys of paradise. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: Hear our prayer.

Pastor: O God of all grace, You sent Your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, to bring life and immortality to life. We give You thanks that by His death He destroyed the power of death and by His resurrection He opened the kingdom of heaven to all believers. Strengthen us in the confidence that because He lives we shall live also, and that neither death nor life nor things present nor things to come will be able to separate us from Your love, which is in Christ Jesus, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

ALL: 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.

BENEDICTION

HYMN "Red Book" 78

How Great Thou Art

O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder
Consider all the worlds thy hand hath made,
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder,
Thy pow'r throughout the universe displayed;
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,
And 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;
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!

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 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 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!"
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!

[HANDBELL CHOIR](#)

[DISMISSAL](#)

[POSTLUDE](#)

All are invited to greet Louise's family and for a reception lunch in the fellowship hall. Time will be given for sharing stories about Louise.

[STORIES ABOUT LOUISE 1](#)

[STORIES ABOUT LOUISE 2](#)