

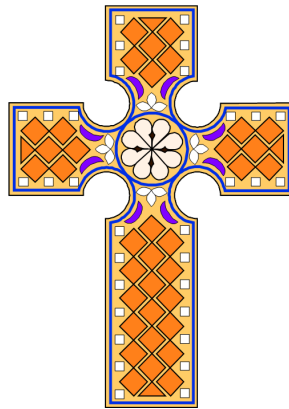
ST. PAUL'S

EPISCOPAL CHURCH

A Service of Thanksgiving and Remembrance

For the Lives of

Sue Adamson and George Westfall



Saturday, January 15th, 2022
11:00 a.m.

Organist: Michael Struck

Officiant and Homilist: The Rev. Christopher H. Martin

Opening Anthem *Please stand*

Officiant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Officiant Let us pray.

Officiant O God of grace and glory, we remember before you this day our sister and brother, Sue and George. We thank you for giving them to us, their 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. **Amen.**

Officiant Most merciful God, whose wisdom is beyond our understanding, deal graciously with Sue and George's families and friends in their grief. Surround them with your love, that they may not be overwhelmed by their loss, but have confidence in your goodness, and strength to meet the days to come; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

First Reading Isaiah 25: 6-9 *Remain seated*

Reader The Word of the Lord.

After the reading, all reply: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 23 *All read together in unison.*

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.

He maketh me to lie down in green pastures;

He leadeth me beside the still waters.

He restoreth my soul;

He leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his Name's sake.

Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,

I will fear no evil; for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff, they comfort me.

Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies;

Thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life,

and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

Second Reading Romans 8: 14-19 *Remain seated.*

Reader The Word of the Lord.

After the reading, all reply: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 121 *All read together in unison.*

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.

He will not let your foot be moved and he who watches over you will not fall asleep.

Behold, he who keeps watch over Israel shall neither slumber nor sleep;

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

So that the sun shall not strike you by day, nor the moon by night.

The Lord shall preserve you from all evil; it is he who shall keep you safe.

The Lord shall watch over your going out and your coming in, from this time forth for evermore.

Third Reading John 10: 11-16 *Remain seated.*

Reader The Word of the Lord.

After the reading, all reply: **Thanks be to God.**

Homily The Rev. Christopher Martin

Pause for a minute of silence.

The Apostles' Creed *All stand, if able. Said by all.*

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.

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 Prayers

For our sister and brother, Sue and George, 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 Sue and George, 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 and brother eternal life.

People **Hear us, Lord.**

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

People **Hear us, Lord.**

Our sister and brother were washed in Baptism and anointed with the Holy Spirit; give them fellowship with all your saints.

People **Hear us, Lord.**

They were nourished with your Body and Blood; grant them a place at the table in your heavenly kingdom.

People **Hear us, Lord.**

Comfort us in our sorrows at the death of our sister and brother; let our faith be our consolation, and eternal life our hope.

The Commendation

Officiant Give rest, O Christ, to your servants with your saints,

People **Where sorrow and pain are no more, neither sighing, but life everlasting.**

Officiant You only are immortal, the creator and maker of humankind; 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.

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

Officiant Into your hands, O merciful Savior, we commend your servants, Sue and George. Acknowledge, we humbly beseech you, sheep of your own fold, lambs of your own flock, sinners of your own redeeming. Receive them 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

Dismissal

People **Thanks be to God.**