

Requiem Mass  
**The Rev. Maurine Ann (Mo) Lewis**  
November 19, 1942 - February 13, 2022



The Episcopal Diocese of Milwaukee (Mo's home diocese)  
St. Luke's in the Meadow Episcopal Church (Mo's church home)  
The Episcopal Church in North Texas (where Mo served in her retirement)  
Trinity Episcopal Church (Host for Requiem Mass)  
Fort Worth, Texas

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February 25, 2022

**Organ Prelude**

*The people stand, as able*

**Processional Hymn #637**     *How firm a foundation*

**Anthem**

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.

**The Collect of the Day**

*Celebrant*     The Lord be with you.

*People*        **And also with you.**

Let us pray.

O God, who by the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ destroyed death, and brought life and immortality to light: Grant that your servant Maurine Ann (Mo) Lewis, being raised with him, may know the strength of his presence, and rejoice in his eternal glory; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, forever and ever. **Amen.**

*The people are seated*

## The Liturgy of the Word

### Old Testament: Isaiah 61:1-3

The spirit of the Lord GOD is upon me, because the LORD has anointed me;  
he has sent me to bring good news to the oppressed, to bind up the brokenhearted,  
to proclaim liberty to the captives, and release to the prisoners;  
to proclaim the year of the LORD's favor, and the day of vengeance of our God;  
to comfort all who mourn; to provide for those who mourn in Zion--  
to give them a garland instead of ashes,  
the oil of gladness instead of mourning,  
the mantle of praise instead of a faint spirit.  
They will be called oaks of righteousness,  
the planting of the LORD, to display his glory.

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

### Psalm 139:1-11

*Domine, probasti*

LORD, you have searched me out and known me; \*  
you know my sitting down and my rising up; you discern my thoughts from afar.  
2  
You trace my journeys and my resting-places \*  
and are acquainted with all my ways.  
3  
Indeed, there is not a word on my lips, \*  
but you, O LORD, know it altogether.  
4  
You press upon me behind and before \*  
and lay your hand upon me.  
5  
Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; \*  
it is so high that I cannot attain to it.  
6  
Where can I go then from your Spirit? \*  
where can I flee from your presence?  
7  
If I climb up to heaven, you are there; \*  
if I make the grave my bed, you are there also.  
8  
If I take the wings of the morning \*  
and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea,  
9  
Even there your hand will lead me \*  
and your right hand hold me fast.  
10  
If I say, "Surely the darkness will cover me, \*  
and the light around me turn to night,"  
11  
Darkness is not dark to you; the night is as bright as the day; \*  
darkness and light to you are both alike.

## **New Testament: Revelation 7:9-17**

I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice, saying,

"Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!"

And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, singing,

"Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen."

Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?" I said to him, "Sir, you are the one that knows."

Then he said to me, "These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. For this reason they are before the throne of God, and worship him day and night within his temple, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them. They will hunger no more, and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat; for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

*Reader*            The word of the Lord.

*People*             **Thanks be to God.**

*The people stand, as able*

**Sequence Hymn #488**        *Be thou my vision*

## **The Gospel Proclamation**

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke (1:46-55)

*People*        **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord, my spirit rejoices in God my Savior;  
for he has looked with favor on his lowly servant.

From this day all generations will call me blessed:

the Almighty has done great things for me, and holy is his Name.

He has mercy on those who fear him in every generation.

He has shown the strength of his arm,

he has scattered the proud in their conceit.

He has cast down the mighty from their thrones, and has lifted up the lowly.

He has filled the hungry with good things, and the rich he has sent away empty.

He has come to the help of his servant Israel, for he has remembered his promise of mercy,

The promise he made to our fathers, to Abraham and his children forever.

*Gospeller*    The Gospel of the Lord.

*People*        **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

## **Homily**

The Rev. Martha Berger  
The Episcopal Diocese of Milwaukee

**The Apostles' Creed** *The people stand, as able*

*Celebrant* 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.**

## **Prayers of the People**

For our beloved Mo, let us pray to our Savior 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 Mo 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 Mo eternal life.

**Hear us, Lord.**

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

**Hear us, Lord.**

Comfort us in our sorrows at the death of our friend; let our faith be our consolation, and eternal life our hope. *Silence may be kept.*

*Officiant* Lord Jesus Christ, we commend to you our beloved Mo Lewis, 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 Divine 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.**

**Offertory Hymn #405**

*All things bright and beautiful*

## The Great Thanksgiving

*Celebrant* 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 God thanks and praise.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who rose victorious from the dead and comforts us with the blessed hope of everlasting life. For to your faithful people, O Lord, life is changed, not ended; and when our mortal body lies in death, there is prepared for us a dwelling place eternal in the heavens. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

HYMN S-125 *Sanctus*

**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 take their best prayer posture - kneeling, standing or sitting.*

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and forever. **Amen.**

### **The Lord's Prayer**

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

**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.**

### **The Breaking of the Bread**

*Celebrant* Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

*All* **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

### **Fraction Anthem #S-154**

*Celebrant* The Gifts of God for the People of God.

*All who seek God and a deeper life in Christ are welcome to receive Holy Communion. Please receive the bread in open and outstretched hands. Gluten-free wafers are available; please make your need known to the priest. Respond to receiving Communion by saying "Amen." If you prefer to receive a blessing instead, please indicate your choice by crossing your hands across your chest. Those who wish to have Holy Communion brought to them at their seat should notify an usher.*

**Communion Hymn #711** *Seek ye first the kingdom of God*

### **Postcommunion Prayer**

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

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

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 us, 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.

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

Into your hands, O merciful Savior, we commend your servant Maurine Ann (Mo) Lewis. 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.**

*Celebrant*  
The Lord bless you and keep you,  
The Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you,  
The Lord lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace. **Amen.**

And the blessing of God Almighty, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you forever. **Amen.**

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

**Recessional Hymn #390** *Praise to the Lord*

**Postlude**

**All are invited to a Reception in the Parish Hall immediately following worship.**