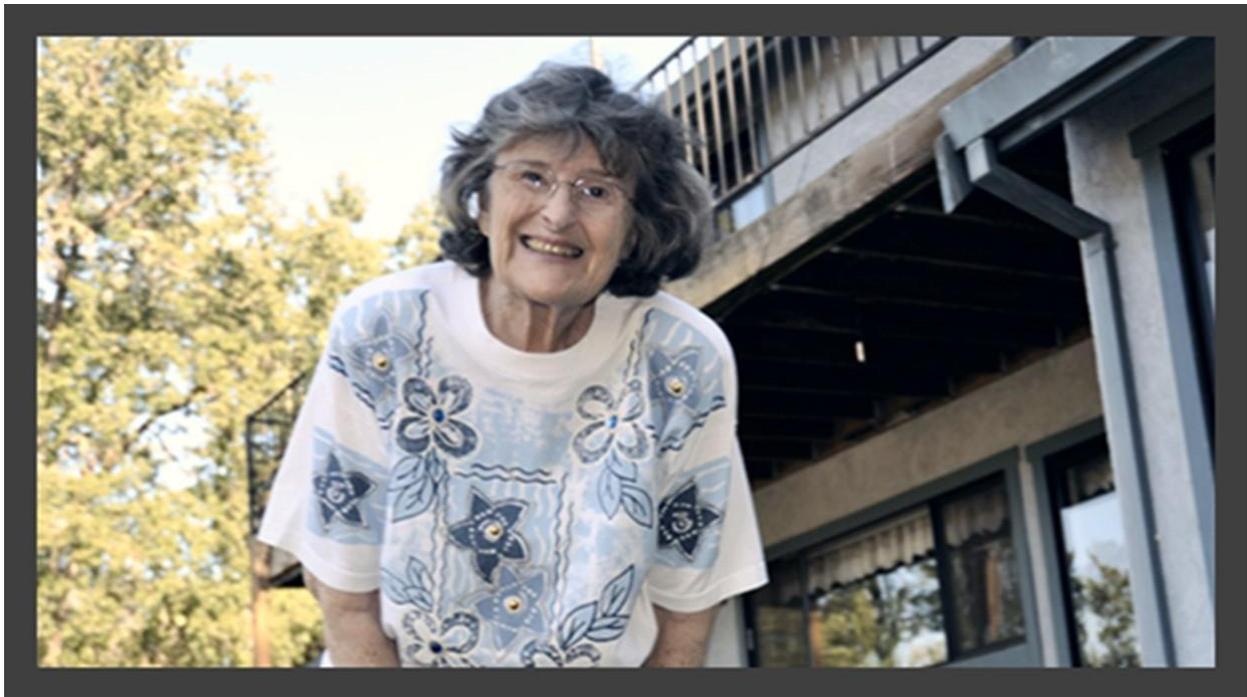


A Celebration of the Life of
EDITH NIXON
SEPTEMBER 4, 1934—SEPTEMBER 28, 2020



Sunday, January 31, 2021, 2 pm



The Rev. Jeff D. S. Thornberg

WELCOME TO CHURCH OF OUR SAVIOUR.

The service we use today is the "Liturgy of the Resurrection" from the Book of Common Prayer. It expresses our close relationship with God and with one another. The minister and family have selected what is suitable for this occasion.

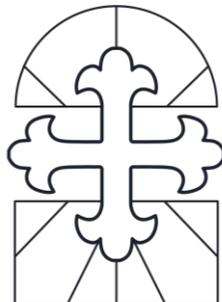
Christians have always believed that there is hope in death as in life, and that there is renewed life, in Christ, after death.

God's love and power extend over all creation. Every life, including our own, is precious to God.

*Even those who share this faith find that there is a real feeling of loss at the death of a loved one. The living need our support and consolation. The whole congregation has an important part in giving this help; one way in which we can do this is by joining in those parts printed in **bold type**.*

Please turn off all cell phones and refrain from flash photography during the worship service.

Although there are customary postures (such as standing or kneeling) in Episcopal worship, you are invited to be seated at any point, according to your needs and comfort.



THE GREETING

Prelude

Romance on Beecher

arranged and performed by Robin Nixon

Introductory Slideshow

Welcome

Musical Anthem

J.S Bach Siciliano from Sonata No.2 BWV1031

played by Katherine and Jeff Marsh

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

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

O God of grace and glory, we remember before you this day our sister Edith Marie Nixon. 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. **Amen.**

The people are seated for the reading of the lessons.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

The First Reading *Job 19:21-27a*

read by Emily Cobos

I know that my Redeemer lives Job answered, "Have pity on me, have pity on me, O you my friends, for the hand of God has touched me! Why do you, like God, pursue me, never satisfied with my flesh? O that my words were written down! O that they were inscribed in a book! O that with an iron pen and with lead they were engraved on a rock forever! For I know that my Redeemer lives, and that at the last he will stand upon the earth; and after my skin has been thus destroyed, then in my flesh I shall see God, whom I shall see on my side, and my eyes shall behold, and not another."

Reader Here ends the Lesson.

People **Thanks be to God.**

The people remain seated.

The Psalm *Psalms 23*

performed by Kelly Lauer

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| 1 | The LORD is my shepherd;*
I shall not be in want. | for you are with me;
your rod and your staff, they comfort me. |
| 2 | He makes me to lie down in green pastures;*
and leads me beside still waters. | 5 You spread a table before me in the presence
of those who trouble me;* |
| 3 | He revives my soul*
and guides me along right pathways for his
Name's sake. | you have anointed my head with oil,
and my cup is running over. |
| 4 | Though I walk through the valley of the
shadow of death,
I shall fear no evil;* | 6 Surely your goodness and mercy shall
follow me all the days of my life,*
and I will dwell in the house of the LORD
for ever. |

The Second Reading *Romans 8:14-19, 34-35, 37-39*

read by Sharon Crandall

The glory that shall be revealed All who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ— if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him. I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory about to be

revealed to us. For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the children of God; Who is to condemn? It is Christ Jesus, who died, yes, who was raised, who is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us. Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will hardship, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, 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.

Reader Here ends the Lesson.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Musical Anthem

Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing

performed by Robin Nixon

The Gospel *John 6:37-40*

read by The Rev. Penny Proschold

Everything that the Father gives me will come to me, and anyone who comes to me I will never drive away; for I have come down from heaven, not to do my own will, but the will of him who sent me. And this is the will of him who sent me, that I should lose nothing of all that he has given me, but raise it up on the last day. This is indeed the will of my Father, that all who see the Son and believe in him may have eternal life; and I will raise them up on the last day."

Gospeller The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Remembrances

The Rev. Penny Proschold
Robin Nixon

Homily

The Rev. Jeff D. S. Thornberg

THE PRAYERS

After a brief silence for reflection, the people stand, as they stand are able for the prayers.

Officiant and People

**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 Apostles' Creed

performed by Rebecca Gorzynska

**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 of the People

After a brief silence for reflection, the people remain standing, as they are able for the Prayers of the Prayers. They are invited to respond to each petition with, "Hear us, Lord."

<i>Reader</i>	For our sister Edith, let us pray to our Lord Jesus Christ who said, "I am Resurrection and I am Life."
<i>People</i>	Hear us, Lord.
<i>Reader</i>	Lord, you consoled Martha and Mary in their distress; draw near to us who mourn for Edith, and dry the tears of those who weep.
<i>People</i>	Hear us, Lord.
<i>Reader</i>	You wept at the grave of Lazarus, your friend; comfort us in our sorrow.
<i>People</i>	Hear us, Lord.
<i>Reader</i>	You raised the dead to life; give to our sister eternal life.
<i>People</i>	Hear us, Lord.
<i>Reader</i>	You promised paradise to the thief who repented; bring our sister to the joys of heaven.
<i>People</i>	Hear us, Lord.
<i>Reader</i>	Comfort us in our sorrows at the death of our sister; let our faith be our consolation, and eternal life our hope.
<i>People</i>	Hear us, Lord.

Silence may be kept.

The Officiant concludes with the following prayer.

Father of all, we pray to you for Edith, and all those whom we love but see no longer. Grant to them eternal rest. Let light perpetual shine upon them. May her soul and the souls of all the departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. **Amen.**

Musical Anthem

Meditation from Thaïs by Jules Massenet

performed by Katherine and Patrick Marsh

THE COMMENDATION

The people remain standing, as they are able. The Officiant and other ministers take their places at the urn.

Officiant Give rest, O Christ, to your servant 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.**

The Officiant then says

Into your hands, O merciful Savior, we commend your servant Edith. 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 Blessing

The Officiant blesses the people, and the people respond:

People **Amen.**

The Dismissal

The Officiant dismisses the people and the people respond:

People **Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!**

Musical Anthem

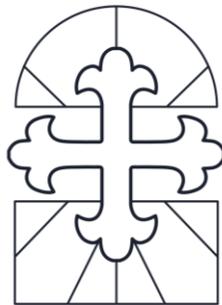
Nunc Dimittis by Denis G. Mason

Closing Slideshow

Postlude

Bergamasca by Bernardo Pasquini

performed by Robin Nixon



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