

# Zion Lutheran Church



January 6<sup>th</sup>, 2024

*Funeral Service of Judy Meier*

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✠ Judith Ann Meier ✠

*Please Stand*

**Processional Reading**

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**Opening Hymn - I'm But a Stranger Here #748**



1 I'm but a strang - er here, Heav'n is my home;  
2 What though the tem - pest rage, Heav'n is my home;  
3 There - fore I mur - mur not, Heav'n is my home;



Earth is a des - ert drear, Heav'n is my home.  
Short is my pil - grim - age, Heav'n is my home;  
What - e'er my earth - ly lot, Heav'n is my home;



Dan - ger and sor - row stand Round me on ev - 'ry hand;  
And time's wild win - try blast Soon shall be o - ver - past;  
And I shall sure - ly stand There at my Lord's right hand;



Heav'n is my fa - ther - land, Heav'n is my home.  
I shall reach home at last, Heav'n is my home.  
Heav'n is my fa - ther - land, Heav'n is my home.

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**Invocation**

**P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

**Placing of the Pall**

## Remembrance of Baptism

**P** In Holy Baptism Judy was clothed with the robe of Christ's righteousness that covered all her sin. St. Paul says, "Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into His death?"

**C** **We were buried therefore with Him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life. For if we have been united with Him in a death like His, we shall certainly be united with Him in a resurrection like His.**

## Kyrie

**P** Lord, have mercy upon us.

**C** **Christ, have mercy upon us.  
Lord, have mercy upon us.**

## Salutation and Collect of the Day

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** **And also with you.**

**P** Let us pray.

O God of grace and mercy, we give thanks for Your loving-kindness shown to Judy 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.

**C** **Amen.**

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## First Reading – Psalm 23

The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want.

He makes me lie down in green pastures.

He leads me beside still waters.

He restores my soul.

He leads me in paths of righteousness  
for his name's sake.

Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,  
I will fear no evil,  
for you are with me;  
your rod and your staff,  
they comfort me.  
You prepare a table before me  
in the presence of my enemies;  
you anoint my head with oil;  
my cup overflows.  
Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me  
all the days of my life,  
and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD  
forever.

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**G** **Thanks be to God.**

### **Second Reading – 1 Chronicles 29:10-16**

Therefore David blessed the LORD in the presence of all the assembly. And David said: "Blessed are you, O LORD, the God of Israel our father, forever and ever. Yours, O LORD, is the greatness and the power and the glory and the victory and the majesty, for all that is in the heavens and in the earth is yours. Yours is the kingdom, O LORD, and you are exalted as head above all. Both riches and honor come from you, and you rule over all. In your hand are power and might, and in your hand it is to make great and to give strength to all. And now we thank you, our God, and praise your glorious name.

"But who am I, and what is my people, that we should be able thus to offer willingly? For all things come from you, and of your own have we given you. For we are strangers before you and sojourners, as all our fathers were. Our days on the earth are like a shadow, and there is no abiding. O LORD our God, all this abundance that we have provided for building you a house for your holy name comes from your hand and is all your own.

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**G** **Thanks be to God.**

### **Third Reading -- John 17:1-10**

When Jesus had spoken these words, he lifted up his eyes to heaven, and said, "Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son that the Son may glorify you, since you have given him authority over all flesh, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. And this is eternal life, that they know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent. I glorified you on earth, having accomplished the work that you gave me to do. And now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had with you before the world existed.

"I have manifested your name to the people whom you gave me out of the world. Yours they were, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. Now they know that everything that you have given me is from you. For I have given them the words that you gave me, and they have received them and have come to know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. I am praying for them. I am not praying for the world but for those whom you have given me, for they are yours. All mine are yours, and yours are mine, and I am glorified in them.

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**G** **Thanks be to God.**

### **Apostles' Creed**

**P** God has made us His people through our Baptism into Christ. Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith.

**G** **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.**

## **Sermon**

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## **Prayer of the Church**

**P** ... Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** ... **hear our prayer.**

## **Lord's Prayer**

**P** Taught by our Lord and trusting in His promises, we are bold to pray:

**C** **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.**

## **Benedicamus and Benediction**

**P** Let us bless the Lord.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

**P** The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.

The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and ✠ give you peace.

**C** **Amen.**

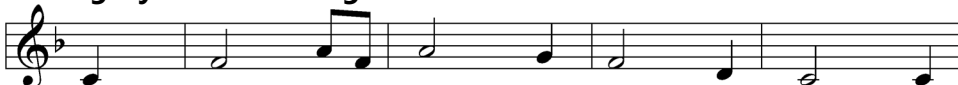
**P** Let us go forth in peace,

**C** **in the name of the Lord. Amen.**

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## Closing Hymn -- Amazing Grace

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1 A - maz - ing grace— how sweet the sound— That  
2 The Lord has prom - ised good to me, His  
3 Through man - y dan - gers, toils, and snares I  
4 Yes, when this flesh and heart shall fail And  
5 When we've been there ten thou - sand years, Bright



saved a wretch like me! I once was lost but  
Word my hope se - cures; He will my shield and  
have al - read - y come; His grace has brought me  
mor - tal life shall cease, A - maz - ing grace shall  
shin - ing as the sun, We've no less days to



now am found, Was blind but now I see!  
por - tion be As long as life en - dures.  
safe thus far, His grace will lead me home.  
then pre - vail In heav - en's joy and peace.  
sing God's praise Than when we'd first be - gun.

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## Removal of Pall

## Recessional Readings

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## Service Participants

Pastor: Rev. Dr. Edward Grimenstein

Organist: Doug Krantz

## **Judith Meier Obituary**

Age 80, of Peters Township, peacefully passed away at her home on Saturday, December 30, 2023 with her family by her side. Beloved wife of Ron Meier for 57 beautiful years; loving mother of James (Alysha) Meier and Jason (Haylei) Meier; proud grandmother, "MeMaw" to Sierra, Savanna, Roman, Brandon, Meadow and Isla; caring sister of the late Tony Rajer. Earlier in life, Judy was a homemaker and stayed home to raise their two sons. After her boys were grown she enjoyed her job as a merchandiser for over 12 years at American Greeting Cards. When Judy wasn't working, she loved to work outside in her garden. Judy was a lady who loved to have fun and was an avid Green Bay Packers Fan! Judy will be remembered for her radiant smile, always being able to make others laugh, and most of all love of family, especially her grandchildren. Her grandkids were the true light of her life. She will be dearly missed by all. Funeral arrangements by BEINHAUERS. Friends and Family are welcome at 2828 Washington Rd. McMurray, 724-941-3211 on Friday, January 5th 2-4PM and 6-8PM. A Funeral Service will be held on Saturday 11AM at Zion Lutheran Church, 3197 Washington Pike, Bridgeville, PA 15017. Interment is private. Memorial contributions may be made to Family Hospice.