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# THE FUNERAL SERVICE OF MARJORIE EDITH BARRETT

### Zion Lutheran Church, El Paso, Texas

# PRE-SERVICE MUSIC WELCOME

David Garcia, organ & Mariachi San Pablo Pastor Stephen Heimer

April 5, 2024

#### HYMN OF RESURRECTION PEACE "Just As I Am" v.1-2,5-6 LSB 570 1 Just Ι with one plea Thv as am. out But that 2 Just I and rid as am wait ing not To my 5 Just I wilt Wilt as am, Thou re-ceive. wel - come, 6 Just as I am; Thy love un-known Has bro - ken blood was shed for me And that Thou bidd'st me come to soul of one dark blot. То Thee, whose blood can cleanse each par - don, cleanse, re - lieve; Be cause Thy prom - ise be -T bar - rier down; Now 'ry be Thine, yea, Thine ev to a -God. Thee. 0 Lamb of Ι Ι come, come. Lamb I 0 of God. Ι spot, come, come. lieve, 0 Lamb of God, T Ι come, come. lone. 0 Lamb of God. Ι Τ come, come.

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# INVOCATION AND BAPTISMAL REMEMBRANCE

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

- $\mathbf{P}$  In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- **C** Amen.
- P As a father shows compassion to his children
- **G** so the LORD shows compassion to those who fear him.
- **P** For he knows how we are made; he remembers that we are dust.
- **G** As for us, our days are like grass; we flourish like a flower

- P the wind passes over us, we are gone, our place is known no more
- But the steadfast love of the LORD is from everlasting to everlasting on those who fear him, and his righteousness upon their children's children, to those who keep faith with His promises. (Psalm 103)

# **REMEMBRANCE OF BAPTISM**

In Holy Baptism Marge 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?" (Romans 6:3)

"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." (Romans 6:4-5)

#### HYMN OF RESURRECTION COMFORT "Rock of Ages" LSB 761 1 Rock of A - ges, cleft for Let me hide my - self in Thee: me. 2 Not la - bors of my hands Can ful - fill Thy Law's de-mands: the Thy cross I cling. my hand I bring; Sim - ply 3 Noth-ing in to 4 While I draw this fleet - ing breath, When mine eye - lids close in death, and the blood, From Thy riv - en side which flowed, Let the wa - ter res - pite know, Could my tears for - ev - er Could my zeal no flow. Thee for dress; Help-less, look to Thee for Na - ked, come to grace: When I soar to worlds un-known, See Thee on Thy judg-ment throne, Be of sin the dou-ble cure: Cleanse me from its guilt and pow'r. A11 for sin could not a - tone: Thou must save, and Thou a - lone. the foun-tain fly; Wash die. Foul. I to me. Sav - ior. or Т Rock of A - ges, cleft for me, Let hide my - self Thee. me in

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# THE PROMISES OF GOD IN HOLY SCRIPTURE

Psalm 23

# **PSALM OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD**

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.

# **OLD TESTAMENT**

(God creates and renews)

Isaiah 40:28–31

A The Old Testament Reading is from Isaiah, chapter 40.

<sup>28</sup>Have you not known? Have you not heard? The LORD is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He does not faint or grow weary; his understanding is unsearchable. <sup>29</sup>He gives power to the faint, and to him who has no might he increases strength. <sup>30</sup>Even youths shall faint and be weary, and young men shall fall exhausted; <sup>31</sup>but they who wait for the LORD shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings like eagles; they shall run and not be weary; they shall walk and not faint.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

# **C** Thanks be to God.

**EPISTLE**(Salvation is a gift of God by His grace and through faith)Ephesians 2:4–10**A**The Epistle is from Ephesians, chapter 2.

<sup>4</sup>But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, <sup>5</sup>even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved— <sup>6</sup>and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, <sup>7</sup>so that in the coming ages he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. <sup>8</sup>For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, <sup>9</sup>not a result of works, so that no one may boast. <sup>10</sup>For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

# **G** Thanks be to God.

# SOLO

"I Was There to Hear Your Borning Cry"

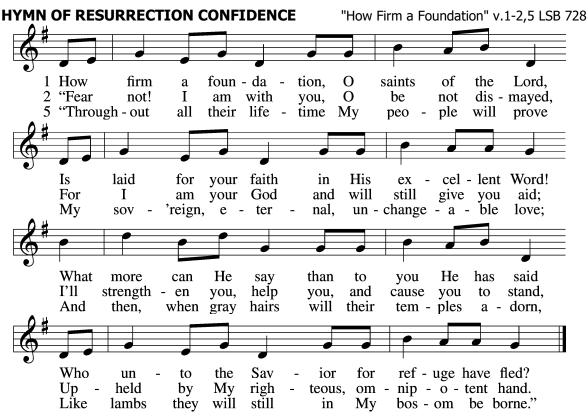
# HOLY GOSPEL

(Eternal life through Jesus)

John 14:1–6

<sup>1</sup>"Let not your hearts be troubled. Believe in God; believe also in me. <sup>2</sup>In 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? <sup>3</sup>And 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. <sup>4</sup>And you know the way to where I am going." <sup>5</sup>Thomas said to him, "Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?" <sup>6</sup>Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.

#### **MEDITATION**



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# **CONFESSION OF FAITH**

The Apostles' Creed

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

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.

# **PASTORAL PRAYERS**

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER

"Our Father" "Padre Nuestro" LSB 958

We sing/pray the refrain together in Spanish and then English and then after verse 1, sing the refrain in whichever language you wish.





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# NUNC DIMITTIS

- Jesus declared, "I am the resurrection and the life, He who believes in Me will live, even though he dies; and whoever lives and believes in Me will never die." (John 11:25-26)
- C Lord, now You let Your servant go in peace; Your word has been fulfilled. My own eyes have seen the salvation which You have prepared in the sight of every people: a light to reveal You to the nations and the glory of Your people Israel. Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.
- "I am the resurrection and the life," says the Lord. "He who believes in Me will live, even though he dies; and whoever lives and believes in Me will never die."

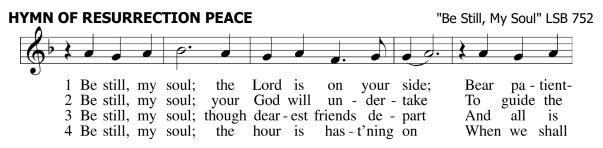
### **CONCLUDING PRAYER**

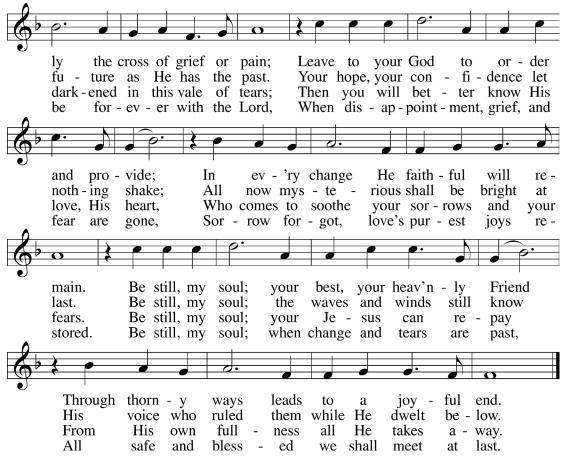
Lord God, our shepherd, You gather the lambs of Your flock into the arms of Your mercy and bring them home. Comfort us with the certain hope of the resurrection to everlasting life and a joyful reunion with Marge and all whom we love who have died in the faith; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

#### BENEDICTION

- P The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and 

  → give you peace.
- **C** Amen.





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#### POSTLUDE

Mariachi San Pablo and David Garcia, organ

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Marjorie Edith Barrett

Marjorie Barrett passed away at 101 years on March 15, 2024 in El Paso, Texas. The third of five siblings, she was born November 5, 1922 and raised in Detroit, Michigan. Shelves filled with books and trips to the library were always part of her life. Even in her last year of life when she had difficulty recalling what she read, she would still sit daily with a book or newspaper and read.

Marjorie met the love of her life at a party. Phil Barrett had a record collection and was therefore a popular person to invite to parties...and he loved dance. They married 2 weeks after his 20th birthday on April 11, 1942. They danced together in life until he passed away at 87.

Their four children were born in Detroit. Their first son, Dennis, was born in 1943. Richard was born in 1945, Joan in 1947 and Terry in 1948.

Phil volunteered for the US Army and was deployed to France during World War II.

A high school friend of Phil's who had been deployed to El Paso wanted Phil and Marge to join him and his new family, so he found Phil a better job in El Paso. The family moved to EP and started their new life, buying a plot of land in the lower valley on which Phil and Marge built their home, doing most of the work themselves. Despite initially no money for interior doors, a bookshelf was built under the living room picture window.

They established Barrett Refrigeration. Marge ran the office and Phil managed the service calls, hired and trained staff. When they retired, Marge volunteered to provide vision screening for elementary school children which she did twice a week for many years.

Marge derived great comfort from her beliefs and her church, Zion Lutheran. Over the years she played many roles in the church. She was actively involved in the Lutheran Women's Missionary League, contributing money, time, and effort to their many projects, holding office, and participating in district conventions.

A few years after Phil's death, Marge moved from the home they built to independent living at Solstice. She made dear friends there and for years tended the roses in the back garden. She liked helping; she called bingo but didn't play it. She donated blood a couple times per year until they said she was too old.

Visitation is April 4th at 5:00-9:00pm at Martin Funeral Home on 1460 George Dieter Drive, El Paso Texas. Funeral services will be held at 11:00am on April 5th at Zion Lutheran Church, 2800 Pershing Dr, El Paso Texas followed by a lunch courtesy of the Lutheran Women's Missionary League and served in the social hall. The burial will take place privately.

Marge was preceded in death by her husband, Phillip Claude Barrett, her youngest son, Terry Barrett, her daughter-in law Nina Barrett, her grandsons Kevin and Michael, and her granddaughter-in-law Debra. She is survived and will be missed by her sister Rosemary Paul, her children Dennis and wife Joya, Richard and Joan, her daughter-in-law Pat, seven grandchildren and twelve great-grandchildren.

In lieu of flowers please consider a donation to Lutheran Women's Missionary League (https://www.lwml.org) or your local library.



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