Funeral Service In Thanksgiving for the Life of Lorelei Campbell August 17, 1955 – March 8, 2025



March 29, 2025 – 1:00pm Hosanna Lutheran Church Officiating Pastor: Rev. Dr. James Hendricksen

PRELUDE: Nimrod (Lux Aeterna) from Enigma Variations by Edward Elgar

PROCESSIONAL HYMN: ELW 793 - Be Thou My Vision ð vi - sion. 0 Lord of my heart; Be thou 1 my thou thou my word; Be wis - dom, and true 2 my praise, 3 Rich - es I heed not. nor vain, emp - ty af vic - to - ry won, 4 Light of my soul. ter me, thou art: naught be all else to save that thou with me. Lord. with thee and I ev er now al ways: her - i tance, and thou mine in -Sun! 0 heav - en's may I reach heav - en's joys, thought both day and by night. best by thou my tow'r, Thou my soul's shel - ter, and thou my high on - ly, the first in my heart, thou thou and own heart, what - ev - er be fall. Heart of my sleep - ing, thy pres - ence my light. wak - ing or Pow'r of my pow'r. raise thou me heav'n - ward, 0 my art. heav - en. trea - sure thou great God of O Rul - er of all. vi sion. still be my

GREETING: The Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

CALL TO WORSHIP

P: Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall trouble or hardship or persecution or famine or nakedness or danger or sword? C: No! In all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loves us.

P: Therefore, we can say for sure that neither death, nor life,

- C: Nor angels, nor demons,
- **P:** Nor things in the present, nor things to come,
- C: Nor powers,
- P: Nor height,

C: Nor depth,

P: Nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. **C: Praise God for this amazing love!**

REMEMBRANCE OF BAPTISM:

All who have been baptized into Christ have put on Christ. In her baptism, Lorelei was clothed with Christ. In the day of Christ's coming, she shall be clothed in glory.

PRAYER OF THE DAY: O God of grace and glory, we remember before you today, our sister Lorelei Campbell. We thank you for giving her to us to know and to love as a companion in our pilgrimage on earth. In your boundless compassion, console us who mourn. Give us faith to see that death has been swallowed up in the victory of our Lord Jesus Christ, so that we may live in confidence and hope, until by your call, we are gathered to our heavenly home in the company of all your saints, through Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

MEMORIES OF LORELEI

FIRST LESSON: Psalm 121

I lift up my eyes to the hills from where will my help come? My help comes from the LORD, who made heaven and earth.

He will not let your foot be moved; he who keeps you will not slumber. He who keeps Israel will neither slumber nor sleep.

The LORD is your keeper; the LORD is your shade at your right hand. The sun shall not strike you by day, nor the moon by night. The LORD will keep you from all evil;

he will keep your life.

The LORD will keep your going out and your coming in from this time on and for evermore.

SECOND LESSON: 1 Corinthians 13:1-3, 8-13

If I speak in the tongues of mortals and of angels, but do not have love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. And if I have prophetic powers, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing. If I give away all my possessions, and if I hand over my body so that I may boast, but do not have love, I gain nothing.

Love never ends. But as for prophecies, they will come to an end; as for tongues, they will cease; as for knowledge, it will come to an end. For we know only in part, and we prophesy only in part; but when the complete comes, the partial will come to an end. When I was a child, I spoke like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child; when I became an adult, I put an end to childish ways. For now we see in a mirror, dimly, but then we will see face to face. Now I know only in part; then I will know fully, even as I have been fully known. And now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; and the greatest of these is love.

GOSPEL: Matthew 9:18-26

While he was saying these things to them, suddenly a leader of the synagogue came in and knelt before him, saying, 'My daughter has just died; but come and lay your hand on her, and she will live.' And Jesus got up and followed him, with his disciples. Then suddenly a woman who had been suffering from haemorrhages for twelve years came up behind him and touched the fringe of his cloak, for she said to herself, 'If I only touch his cloak, I will be made well.' Jesus turned, and seeing her he said, 'Take heart, daughter; your faith has made you well.' And instantly the woman was made well. When Jesus came to the leader's house and saw the flute-players and the crowd making a commotion, he said, 'Go away; for the girl is not dead but sleeping.' And they laughed at him. But when the crowd had been put outside, he went in and took her by the hand, and the girl got up. And the report of this spread throughout that district. The Gospel of the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.**

HOMILY

CHOIR: Going Home

Going home. Going home. I'm just - going home. Quiet-like, slip away, I'll be going home. It's not far, just close by, Jesus is the door. Work all done, laid aside, fear and grief no more; Friends are there, waiting now, He is waiting, too, See His smile! See His hand! He will lead me through.

Morning star lights the way, restless dream all done. Shadows gone, break of day, life has just begun. Every tear wiped away; pain and sickness gone. Wide awake, there with Him! Peace goes on and on. Going home. Going home, I'll be going home. See the light! See the sun! I'm just going home.

APOSTLES' CREED

With the whole church, let us confess our faith.

ALL: I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come 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.

INTERCESSIONS:

Let us pray to our Lord Jesus Christ who said, "I am the resurrection and the life."

Jesus, fullness of compassion, you consoled Martha and Mary in their distress; draw near to us who mourn for Lorelei, and dry the tears of those who weep.

In your mercy, C: hear our prayer.

Jesus, man of sorrows, you wept at the grave of Lazarus your friend; comfort us who mourn.

In your mercy, C: hear our prayer.

Jesus, firstborn of the new creation, you raised the dead; give to our sister Lorelei life eternal. In your mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**

Jesus, wellspring of life, you washed our sister Lorelei in baptism and anointed her with the Holy Spirit; give her communion with all your saints. In your mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**

Jesus, bread of life, you nourished Lorelei at your table in earth; welcome her at your table in the realm of heaven. In your mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**

Jesus, bright morning star, comfort us in our sorrows at the death of Lorelei, let our faith be our consolation, and eternal life our hope. In your mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**

God of grace, we give you thanks because by his death Our Saviour Jesus Christ destroyed the power of death and By his resurrection opened the kingdom of heaven to all believers. Make us certain that because he lives we shall live also, And that neither death nor life, Nor things present nor things to come Shall be able to separate us from your love Which is in Christ Jesus our Lord, Who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, One God, now and forever. **C: Amen.** LORD'S PRAYER Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

COMMENDATION:

Let us commend our sister Lorelei Campbell to the mercy of God, our maker and redeemer.

Into your hands, O merciful Savior, we commend your servant Lorelei Campbell. Acknowledge we humbly beseech you, a sheep of your own fold, a lamb of your own flock, a sinner of your own redeeming, and a saint of your making. Receive her into the strong arms of your mercy, into the blessed rest of everlasting peace, and into the glorious company of the saints in light. **Amen.**

PRAYER

P: Lord, make us instruments of your peace. Where there is hatred, let us sow love; where there is injury, pardon; where there is discord, union; where there is doubt, faith; where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light; where there is sadness, joy. Grant that we may not so much seek to be consoled as to console; to be understood as to understand; to be loved as to love. For it is in giving that we receive; it is in pardoning that we are pardoned; and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life.

FAREWELL AND BLESSING

In baptism Lorelei received the light of Christ. Scatter the darkness now and lead her over the waters of death. As she completes this part of her journey and joins all the Saints who have gone before.

Lux æterna luceat eis, Domine May eternal light shine on them, Lord, Cum Sanctis tuis in æternum, quia pius es with your saints for ever, for you are good. Requiem æternam dona eis, Domine Give them eternal rest, Lord, Et lux perpetua luceat eis With Your Saints for evermore Cum Sanctis tuis in æternum, quia pius es and may light perpetual shine upon them, for you are good.

CONGREGATIONAL BLESSING:

God grant to the living grace, to the departed rest, to all nations and people, unity, peace and concord, and to us and all God's servants, life everlasting; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

P: Let us go forth in peace. C: Thanks be to God.

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POSTLUDE

The family of Lorelei Campbell wishes to thank you for your presence today, your prayers, and your expressions of sympathy. They invite you to attend a light reception after the service.

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It is with great sadness but with endless thanks for sharing a wonderful life that we announce the passing of our beloved Lorelei on March 8, 2025, in her 70th year. Lorelei lived with great zest and spirit after being diagnosed with ovarian cancer in May 2022. Lorelei will be forever loved and remembered by her husband, John, her children Keir (Angela) and Hope (Joe), her sister, Diane, her much loved nephew and nieces, Drew (Beth), Megan (Bill) and Kendra (Ryan) and their children, McKenna, Alden, Mary Jane, William, Campbell, Charles and Enoch, as well as her special cousins, Doreen Betke (Carl) and Allan Schienbein. Lorelei was predeceased by her parents, Marvin and Anita Pritchard.

Lorelei was born in Edmonton on August 17, 1955. She enjoyed a wonderful childhood in the McQueen community. After graduating from Ross Shepherd High School in 1973 she attended Lenoir-Rhyne College in Hickory, North Carolina, graduating with a B.A. in Political Science in 1976. Lorelei moved to Washington, D.C. to attend the School of Advanced International Studies of Johns Hopkins University, graduating with an M.A. in 1978. Lorelei returned to Edmonton and joined the Department of Economic Development of the Government of Alberta. Lorelei also worked for several years at the Legislature Library and at the Department of Federal and Intergovernmental Affairs.

With the birth of Keir in 1990 and Hope in 1992 Lorelei became a mother - with all the associated joys and challenges. Lorelei started her own home-based musical instruction program known as Kindermusik, which she took great pleasure in. Lorelei returned to school in 2000 in the Faculty of Education at the University of Alberta, earning a Bachelor of Education. She enjoyed 18 years of full-time teaching with Edmonton Public School Board, most of which were spent at George P. Nicholson School, retiring in 2020. Lorelei loved her time as a teacher, greatly valuing her students and her colleagues. She enjoyed many visits after retirement with former students and colleagues.

Lorelei was active in community organizations, including Prospects Literacy Association, Good Samaritan Society, Edmonton Food Bank, Inner City Pastoral Ministry and Junior League of Edmonton. She served in school groups, provided volunteer tutoring and sang in community choirs. Lorelei lived an active and vibrant faith life. She was a lifelong member at Hosanna Lutheran Church. She served in many capacities at Hosanna, including as chairperson of Church Council and on many committees. Lorelei lived a life of joyful servanthood, exemplifying the saying - "after the service ends, the service begins".

The family extends heartfelt thanks to the medical care providers who took such wonderful care of Lorelei, including her long time family physician, Dr. Michael Poitras; Dr. Christa Aubrey and the staff of the Cross Cancer Institute, as well as the staffs of the University of Alberta Hospital, the Royal Alexandra Hospital and the Palliative Home Care team of Alberta Health Services. Lorelei's family is also grateful for the care Lorelei received at the Roozen Family Hospice Centre.

In lieu of flowers donations in Lorelei's name may be made to Hosanna Lutheran Church or George P. Nicholson School or to a charity of your choice. HOSANNA LUTHERAN CHURCH 9009-163 St Edmonton T5R 2N8 780-484-3932 E-mail: office@hosannalutheran.ab.ca www.hosannalutheran.ab.ca

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