

*I am in Heaven, dear ones;  
Oh so happy and so bright!  
There is perfect joy and beauty  
In this everlasting light.*

*All the pain and grief is over;  
every restless tossing passed;  
I am now at peace forever,  
safely home in heaven at last.*

*Did you wonder how I so calmly  
Trod the valley of the shade?  
Oh, but Jesus' love illumined  
Every dark and fearful glade.*

*And He came Himself to meet me  
in that way so hard to tread;  
And with Jesus' arm to lean on,  
could I have one doubt or dread?*

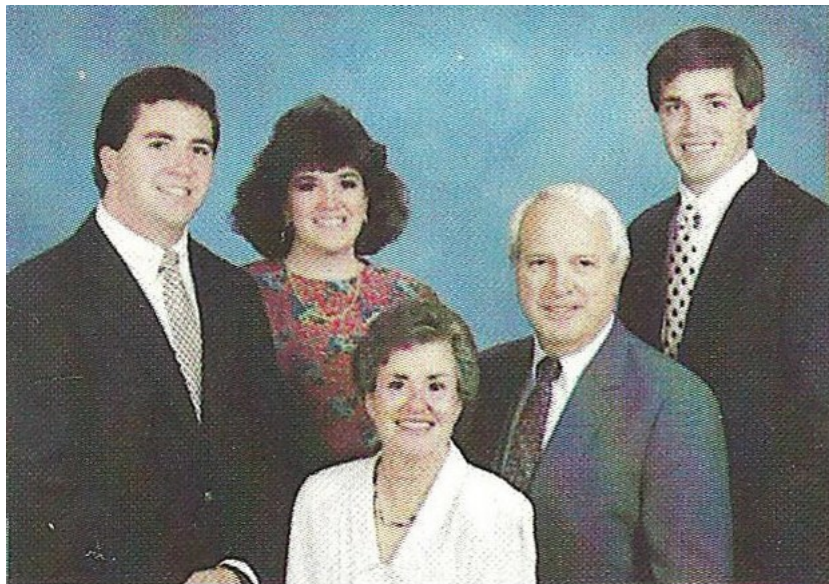
*Then you must not grieve so sorely,  
for I love you dearly still;  
Try to look beyond earth's shadows,  
pray to trust our Father's will.*

*There is work still waiting for you,  
so you must not idly stand;  
Do it now, while life remaineth –  
you shall rest in Jesus' land.*

*When that work is all complete,  
He will gently call you home;  
Oh, the rapture of that meeting,  
Oh, the joy to see you come!*



*And God Himself will wipe away every tear.  
Rev. 21:4*



## *A Funeral Service of Thanksgiving*



*Marilyn Jane Buechsenschuetz*

*Baptized into Christ  
January 6, 1935*

*Entered into Glory  
April 14, 2025*

Saturday, April 19, 2025

**The Prelude**

P: "Christ is Risen."

**C: "He is Risen indeed."**

**Processional Hymn: "Abide with Me" 878**

P: "In the Name of the Father,  
and of the Son, + and of the Holy Spirit."

**C: Amen.**

**Psalm 23**

*People:* <sup>1</sup>The LORD is my shepherd;  
I shall not want.  
<sup>2</sup>He maketh me to lie down in green pastures:  
He leadeth me beside the still waters.  
<sup>3</sup>He restoreth my soul:  
He leadeth me in the paths of righteousness  
for His name's sake.  
<sup>4</sup>Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,  
I will fear no evil:  
for Thou art with me;  
Thy rod and Thy staff they comfort me.  
<sup>5</sup>Thou preparest a table before me  
in the presence of mine enemies:  
Thou anointest my head with oil;  
my cup runneth over.  
<sup>6</sup>Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me  
all the days of my life:  
and I will dwell in the house of the LORD for ever.

P: Lord Jesus, You were dead, and now You are alive forever.  
Strengthen us who must also face death, so that we follow You  
through this world, and follow on through death,  
into everlasting life. Amen.

**Recessional Hymn: "I'm But a Stranger Here" 748**

**The Postlude**

*Lectors:*

*Ann Buechsenschuetz*

*Richard Buechsenschuetz*

*Karl Buechsenschuetz*

*Music Minister:*

*Rev. Dr. William Bergquist*

*Pastor:*

*Rev. Donald Colageo*



**Immanuel Lutheran Church**

*A Missouri Synod Congregation*  
673 Weston Rd  
Manchester, NH 03103

(603) 622-1514

[www.immanuel-mnh.org](http://www.immanuel-mnh.org)

## ***Prayer of Thanksgiving***

P: Blessed Lord Jesus, God and Savior, we thank You for every earthly gift You gave to Lyn in this world, from life itself to the love of those who are gathered here now, and for every gift, earthly and heavenly, that You gave to us through her. But above all, we thank You that You loved her and carried her sins in Your own body on the cross, and that You rose from Your grave to find her, and through Your Church held out to her Your wounded hands, and through Your Word and Sacraments gave her forgiveness of all her sins and eternal life.

**C: O Christ, Judge and Master of us all, grant that all of us who loved Lyn here, may now look to Your love, trust Your Holy Scriptures, and believe and receive Your forgiveness. By Your grace alone, enable us to follow You in this life, that each of us may also leave this life with You and enter the Paradise prepared for those who love You. Amen.**

*Let us pray together in Jesus' name:*

**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.**

## ***Benediction***

**Benediction** (Numbers 6:22-27)  
P: The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.  
The Lord lift up His countenance on you and + give you peace.  
**C: Amen.**

*An Invitation from the Family*

## **+ *The Prophecy* + Job 19:25-27**

<sup>23</sup> “Oh, that my words were written!  
Oh, that they were inscribed in a book!  
<sup>24</sup> That they were engraved on a rock  
with an iron pen and lead, forever!  
<sup>25</sup> For I know that my Redeemer lives,  
and at the last He will stand upon the earth.  
<sup>26</sup> And after my skin has been thus destroyed,  
yet in my flesh I shall see God,  
<sup>27</sup> whom I shall see for myself,  
and my eyes shall behold, and not another.  
How my heart yearns within me!

L: This is the word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

## **+ *The Future* + 1 Thessalonians 4:13-17**

<sup>13</sup> But I do not want you to be ignorant, brothers, concerning those who have fallen asleep, lest you sorrow just as others who have no hope. <sup>14</sup> For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so God will bring those who sleep in Jesus with Him. <sup>15</sup> For this we say to you by the word of the Lord, that we who remain alive until the coming of the Lord will by no means precede those who are asleep. <sup>16</sup> For the Lord Himself will descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of an archangel, and with the trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ will rise first. <sup>17</sup> Then we who remain alive shall be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. And thus we shall always be with the Lord.

L: This is the word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

## **+ *The Holy Gospel* + John 14:1-6**

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the fourteenth chapter:  
**C: Glory be to You, O Lord.**

"Do not let your hearts be troubled. Trust in God; trust also in Me. <sup>2</sup> In My Father's house are many rooms; if it were not so, would I have told you I am going to prepare a place for you? <sup>3</sup> And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back and take you to be with Me that you also may be where I am. <sup>4</sup> You know the way to the place where I am going."

<sup>5</sup> Thomas said to Him, "Lord, we don't know where You are going, so how can we know the way?"

<sup>6</sup> Jesus answered, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me. <sup>7</sup> "If you had known Me, you would have known My Father also; and from now on you know Him and have seen Him."

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C: Praise to You, O Christ.**

**Sermon Hymn:** "I Know That My Redeemer Lives" 461 v 1, 2, 5, 8

## **+ The Sermon +**

### ***The Apostles' Creed***

**C: 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**

## ***The Resurrection*** 1 Corinthians 15:51-57

<sup>51</sup> Behold, I show you a mystery: We will not all sleep, but we will all be changed— <sup>52</sup> in a flash, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, the dead will be raised imperishable, and we will be changed. <sup>53</sup> For the perishable must clothe itself with the imperishable, and the mortal with immortality. <sup>54</sup> When the perishable has been clothed with the imperishable, and the mortal with immortality, then the saying that is written will come true: "Death has been swallowed up in victory."

<sup>55</sup> "Where, O death, is your victory?

Where, O death, is your sting?"

<sup>56</sup> The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. <sup>57</sup> But thanks be to God! He gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

L: This is the word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

P: While Lyn's spirit rejoices with Jesus Christ,  
her body is sown to decay; and to be raised indestructible.  
It is sown dishonored; it will be raised glorious.  
It is sown weak; it will be raised powerful.  
It is sown subject to nature; it will be raised suited to her spirit.  
And when this decaying body has become indestructible,  
and this dying body has become a body that cannot die,  
then what is written will have come true:

**C: "Death is swallowed up in victory!  
O Death, where is your victory?  
O Grave, where is your sting?"  
Thanks be to God who gives us the victory  
through our Lord Jesus Christ!**