

Service of Christian Burial
Doris A. Henderson
Feb. 21, 1926 – April 20, 2021

PRELUDE MUSIC

Mary Nelson

Welcome and Announcements

P Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the source of all mercy and the God of all consolation. He comforts us in our sorrows so that we can comfort others in their sorrows with the consolation we ourselves have received from God.

C Thanks be to God.

P When we were baptized in Christ Jesus, we were baptized into his death. We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, so that as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might live a new 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.

C Amen

P O God of grace and glory, we remember before you today our sister Doris. 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 your aid, so we may see in death the gate to eternal life, that we may continue our course on earth in confidence until, by your call, we are reunited with those who have gone before us; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

C Amen

PSALM 23

¹The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.

²He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he leadeth me beside the still waters.

³He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.

⁴Yea, 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.

⁵Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.

⁶Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

ECCLESIASTES 3:1-13

¹For everything there is a season, and a time for every matter under heaven: ²a time to be born, and a time to die; a time to plant, and a time to pluck up what is planted; ³a time to kill, and a time to heal; a time to break down, and a time to build up; ⁴a time to weep, and a time to laugh; a time to mourn, and a time to dance; ⁵a time to throw away stones, and a time to gather stones together; a time to embrace, and a time to refrain from embracing; ⁶a time to seek, and a time to lose; a time to keep, and a time to throw away; ⁷a time to tear, and a time to sew; a time to keep silence, and a time to speak; ⁸a time to love, and a time to hate; a time for war, and a time for peace.

⁹What gain have the workers from their toil? ¹⁰I have seen the business that God has given to everyone to be busy with. ¹¹He has made everything suitable for its time; moreover he has put a sense of past and future into their minds, yet they cannot find out what God has done from the beginning to the end. ¹²I know that there is nothing better for them than to be happy and enjoy themselves as long as they live; ¹³moreover, it is God's gift that all should eat and drink and take pleasure in all their toil.

JOHN 11:21-26

²¹ Martha said to Jesus, “Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. ²² But even now I know that God will give you whatever you ask of him.” ²³ Jesus said to her, “Your brother will rise again.” ²⁴ Martha said to him, “I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day.” ²⁵ Jesus said to her, “I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, ²⁶ and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die.

HOMILY

APOSTLES’ CREED

C 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.

PRAYERS

P Almighty God, you have knit your chosen people together in one communion, in the mystical body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Give to your whole Church in heaven and on earth your light and your peace.

C Hear us, Lord.

P Grant that all who have been baptized into Christ’s death and resurrection may die to sin and rise to newness of life and that through the grave and gate of death we may pass with him to our joyful resurrection.

C Hear us, Lord.

P Grant to us who are still in our pilgrimage, and who walk as yet by faith, that your Holy Spirit may lead us in holiness and righteousness all our days.

C Hear us, Lord.

P Grant to your faithful people pardon and peace, that we may be cleansed from all our sins and serve you with a quiet mind.

C Hear us, Lord.

P Grant to all who mourn a sure confidence in your loving care, that, casting all their sorrow on you, they may know the consolation of your love.

C Hear us, Lord.

P Give courage and faith to those who are bereaved, that they may have strength to meet the days ahead in the comfort of a holy and certain hope, and in the joyful expectation of eternal life with those they love.

C Hear us, Lord.

P Help us, we pray, in the midst of things we cannot understand, to believe and trust in the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, and the resurrection to life everlasting.

C Hear us, Lord.

P Grant us grace to entrust Doris to your never-failing love which sustained her in this life. Receive her into the arms of your mercy, and remember her according to the favor you bear for your people.

C Hear us, Lord.

P God, the generations rise and pass away before you. You are the strength of those who labor; you are the rest of the blessed dead. We rejoice in the company of your saints. We remember all who have lived in faith, all who have peacefully died, and especially Doris and those most dear to us who rest in you. Give us in time our portion with those who have trusted in you and striven to do your holy will. To your name, with the Church on earth and the Church in heaven, we ascribe all honor and glory, now and forever. **C Amen**

LORD'S PRAYER

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

COMMENDATION

P Into your hands, O merciful Savior we commend your servant Doris. 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.

C Amen

COMMITTAL

P In sure and certain hope of the resurrection to eternal life through our Lord Jesus Christ, we commend to almighty God our sister Doris, and we commit her body to its resting place; earth to earth, ashes to ashes, dust to dust. The Lord bless her and keep her. The Lord's face shine on her with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon her with favor and give + her peace.

C Amen.

P Rest eternal grant her, O Lord;

C and let light perpetual shine upon her.

BENEDICTION

P The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, make you complete in every good work so that you may do God's will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in God's sight; through Jesus Christ, to whom be the glory forever and ever. **C Amen**

Let us go forth in peace. **C In the name of Christ. Amen**

Doris A. Henderson

Feb. 21, 1926 – April 20, 2021

Doris Anne Henderson, 95, Martinsburg, passed away Tuesday afternoon at UPMC Altoona. She was born in Houtzdale, daughter of the late Thomas F. and Ida Louise “*Margaret*” (Wiberg) Gorman.



In 1950, she married William Kyle Henderson, who preceded her in death on Aug. 7, 1977.

Surviving is a daughter, Patricia L. Henderson, of Pittsburgh.

Doris received her bachelor’s degree in education from Indiana University of Pennsylvania Teacher’s College and later earned a master’s degree from Pennsylvania State University. She was employed as an elementary school teacher and reading specialist for the Tussey Mountain School District for over 20 years.

She was a longtime, active member of St. Matthew Lutheran Church, Martinsburg, and a member of the Martinsburg Business and Professional Women’s Club. Doris also volunteered countless hours at the Martinsburg Community Library, which was the place that held her two passions in life, books and reading.

Doris loved spending time with her family and also taking little plane trips with her family for dinner on Sundays. She also enjoyed crocheting and completing crossword puzzles.

Friends will be received from 11 a.m. until noon Friday, April 23, 2021, at St. Matthew Lutheran Church, Martinsburg, where a funeral service will follow at noon with Pastor Traci Marriott officiating. Private interment will be held at Beulah Cemetery, Ramey.

Memorial contributions in memory of Doris may be given to the Martinsburg Community Library, 211 S. Walnut St., Martinsburg, PA 16662.

Arrangements are by John K. Bolger Funeral Home Inc., Martinsburg.

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