

In Loving Memory of Erna Hused



December 20, 1935 - July 30, 2022

PRELUDE: Borning Cry—Claudette Kline

PROCESSIONAL HYMN: Ich bete an, die Macht der Liebe “ played by the Wild Family



GATHERING

Welcome in the name of Jesus, the Savior of the world. We are gathered to worship, to proclaim Christ crucified and risen, to remember before God our **sister Erna**, to give thanks for **her** life, to commend **her** to our merciful redeemer, and comfort one another in Grief.

People: Amen.

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

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 all our sorrows so that we can comfort others in their sorrows with the consolation we ourselves have received from God.

When we were baptized into 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.

*The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Eternal God, maker of heaven and earth, who formed us from the dust of the earth, who by your breath gave us life, we glorify you. **People: We Glorify you.**

Jesus Christ the resurrection and the life, who suffered death for all humanity, who rose from the grave to open the eternal life, we praise you. **People: We Praise you.**

Holy Spirit, author and giver of life, the comforter of all who sorrow, our sure confidence and everlasting hope, we worship you. **People: We worship you.**

GREETING

Pastor: The Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you. **People: And also with you.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Almighty God, source of all mercy and giver of comfort, graciously tend those who mourn, that, casting all their sorrow on you, they may know the consolation of your love; through your Son, Jesus Christ Our Lord. Amen.

FIRST READING: John 14:1-7—Wendy Fiscus

¹Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. ²In my Father's house there are many dwelling places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? ³And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. ⁴And you know the way to the place where I am going." ⁵Thomas said to him, "Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?" ⁶Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. ⁷If you know me, you will know my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him."

Lector: Word of God, Word of Life

People: Thanks Be to God



PSALM 23:1-6 in German (Rita Brust in Germany) and English (Heike Seiler in Germany)

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

²he makes me lie down in green pastures. He leads me beside still waters;

³he restores my soul.

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

⁴Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I 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 my enemies;
thou anointest my head with oil, my cup overflows.

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



EULOGIES:

Eulogy: Rita Brust (in German) Heike Seiler - (English translation)

Eulogy: Abigail Opthof

Poem: "The Dash" - Diana Garland & Susan Milandra

Eulogy: Andrea Hused

HYMN OF THE DAY: On Eagle's Wings

On Eagle's Wings

Michael Joncas

G/B



1. You who dwell in the shel-ter of the Lord, who a - bide in this shad-ow for



life, say to the Lord: "My re - fuge, my rock in whom I trust!"



"And I will raise you up on ea - gle's wings, bear you on the breath of dawn,



make you to shine like the sun, and hold you in - the palm of My hand.'



2. Snares of the fowl - er will ne-ver cap-ture you, and fam - ine will bring you no



fear; un - der God's wings your re - fuge, with faith - ful - ness your shield.

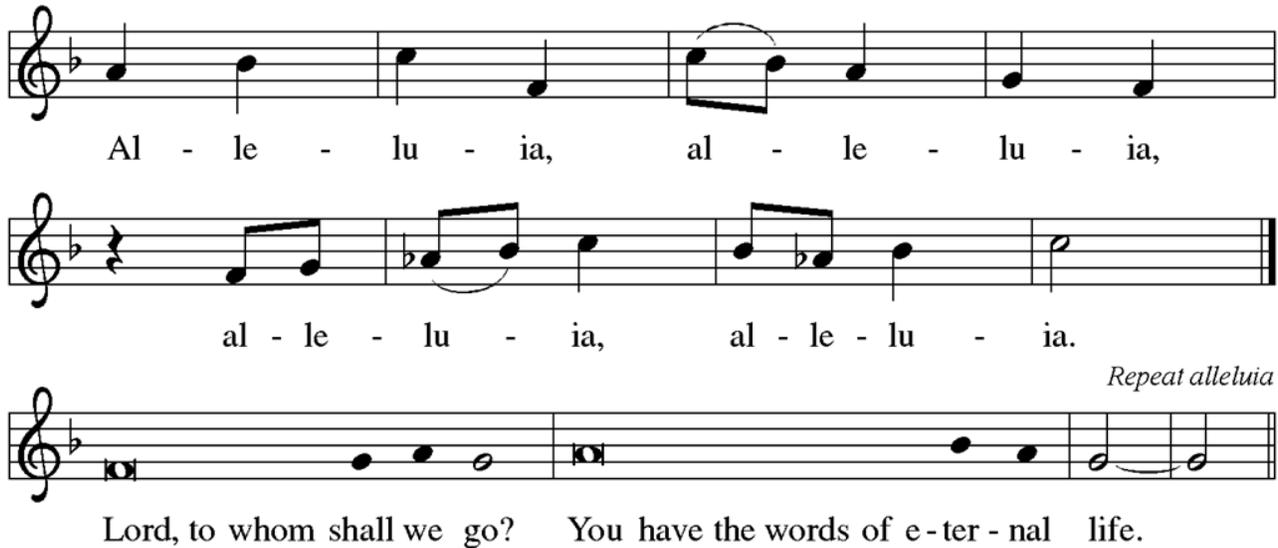


3. For to the an - gels God's giv - en a com - mand to guard you in all of your



ways; up - on their hands they will bear you up, lest you dash your foot a - gainst a stone.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. *Repeat alleluia*
Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e - ter - nal life.



THE HOLY GOSPEL: Matthew 25:31-40

People: Glory to you, O Lord.

³¹When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. ³²All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, ³³and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. ³⁴Then the king will say to those at his right hand, 'Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; ³⁵for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, ³⁶I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me.' ³⁷Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? ³⁸And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? ³⁹And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?' ⁴⁰And the king will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me.'

PEOPLE: Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON: Pastor Paul

APOSTLES' CREED

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 OF THE CHURCH

Let us pray.

Almighty God, in holy baptism you have knit your chosen people together into one communion of saints in heaven and on Earth your light and your peace. God of mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Grant that all who have been baptized into Christ's death and resurrection may die to sin and rise to share the new life in Christ. God of mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Give courage and faith to all who mourn, and a sure and certain hope in your loving care, that, casting all their sorrow on you, they may have strength for the days ahead. God of Mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Grant to us who are still on our pilgrimage, and who walk as yet by faith, that, where this world groans in grief and pain, your Holy Spirit may lead us to bear witness to your light and life. God of mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Help us, 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. God of mercy, **hear our prayer.**

God of all grace, we give you thanks because by his death our Savior Jesus Christ destroyed the power of death and by his resurrection he opened the kingdom of heaven to all. Make us certain that because he lives we shall live also, and their neither death nor life, nor things present nor things to come, will be able to separate us from your love in Christ Jesus our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

SPECIAL MUSIC: His Eyes Are On the Sparrow— David Kline



GREAT THANKSGIVING

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them to the Lord.**

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

PREFACE FOR THE SEASON

It is indeed right, salutary, our duty and our joy ... we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,
heav-en and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho - san - na in the
high - est. Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

...proclaim the Lord's death until he comes:

THE LORD'S PRAYER



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on



us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the



world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you

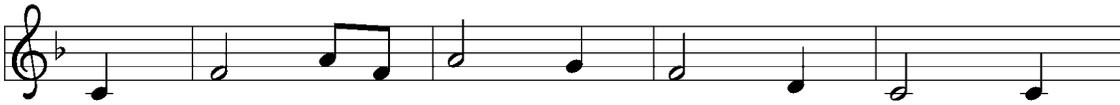


take a - way the sin of the world; grant us peace.



DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION

COMMUNION HYMN: Amazing Grace



1 A - maz - ing grace!— how sweet the sound— that
2 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and
3 Through man - y dan - gers, toils, and snares I
4 The Lord has prom - ised good to me; his
5 When we've been there ten thou - sand years, bright



saved a wretch like me! I once was lost, but
grace my fears re - lieved; how pre - cious did that
have al - read - y come; 'tis grace has brought me
word my hope se - cures; he will my shield and
shin - ing as the sun, we've no less days to



now am found; was blind, but now I see.
grace ap - pear the hour, I first be - lieved!
safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.
por - tion be as long as life en - dures.
sing God's praise than when we'd first be - gun.

Text: John Newton, 1725–1807, alt., sts. 1–4; anonymous, st. 5
Music: NEW BRITAIN, W. Walker, *Southern Harmony*, 1835

COMMUNION BLESSINGS



Thank-ful hearts and voic - es raise; tell ev - 'ry - one what God has



done. Let all who seek the Lord re - joice and bear Christ's ho - ly name.



Send us with your prom - is - es, O God, and lead us forth in



joy with shouts of thanks-giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia.

COMMENDATION

Let us commend **Erna** to the mercy of God, our maker and redeemer.

Into your hands, O merciful Savior, we commend your servant **Erna**. 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 arms of everlasting peace and into the glorious company of your saints in light. **Amen**

God the Creator who delights in you, Jesus the Savior who is born for you, and the life-giving Spirit who shines on you, ☩ bless you and keep you in hope and peace. **Amen.**



RECESSIONAL HYMN: "Naher mein Gott zu Dir" played by the Wild Family



SENDING

Let us go forth in peace.

In the name of Christ Amen.



ENA HUSED

December 20, 1935 - July 30, 2022



Erna Hused, 86 passed away Saturday, July 30, 2022, at her home in Paramus New Jersey. Erna was born on December 20, 1935, in Bittenwiesen, Germany. She immigrated to the United States almost 60 years ago where she pursued a career as a Dental Hygienist and office manager. Her life work began as a nanny for an American family and led her to many exciting experiences and interesting people. She started her new life in New York City where she met and married her husband of 55 years, Larry Hused. Together they settled in Paramus NJ where she raised a daughter while working full time. In 2002 Erna retired to become a full-time babysitter for her granddaughter, the most fulfilling position of her career. Erna was an active member of the church, Church of the Savior - Lutheran in Paramus where she served many years as a member of the Altar Circle. Erna spent much of her life in service to others including working for the Red Cross as a young woman in Germany. Her love, dedication, commitment, and loyalty to family, friends, and employers were the hallmark of her personality. Erna is best known for her strong but nurturing nature and her willingness to open her heart and her home to all who needed it. Her work ethic made her a role model to all. In her free time, she enjoyed visiting her homeland, gardening, reading, pet sitting, and spending time with her family and friends.

Erna is survived by her daughter Andrea Hused, granddaughter Abigail Opthof, sister Rita Brust, sister-in-law Anna Wild, and several nieces and nephews. She was a loving mother, grandmother, wife, sister, sister-in-law, aunt and god-mother.

A Memorial Celebration of Life service will be held on Saturday, August 6, 2022, at 9:30 am at Church of the Savior Lutheran, 643 Forest Ave, Paramus, NJ 07652. The service will be in person and virtual.

Light refreshments will be served downstairs following the service. All are invited.