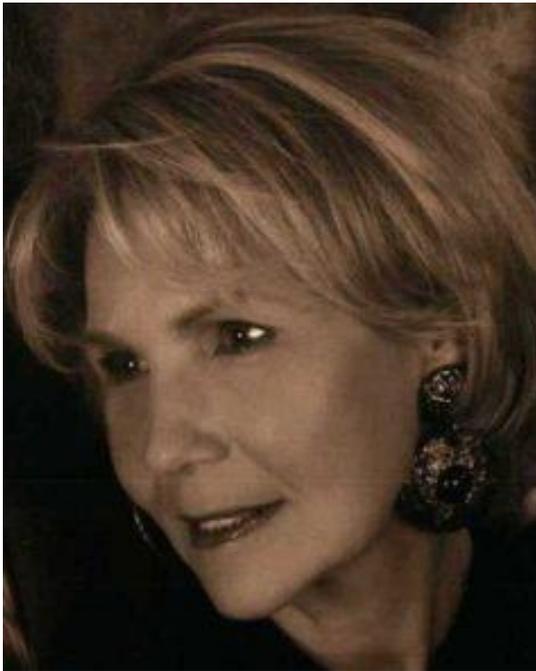


**A Service of Thanksgiving and Praise
for the life of
Carol Elizabeth Marty Christianson**

(December 21, 1942 – February 22, 2018)



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PRESERVICE MUSIC

(Stand.)

RINGING OF THE BELL

PROCESSIONAL

WELCOME

OPENING HYMN: “Amazing Grace”

LSB 744

THE INVOCATION

P: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

REMEMBRANCE OF BAPTISM

P: In Holy Baptism Carol was clothed with the robe of Christ's righteousness that covered all her sins. St. Paul says: “Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into His death?”

C: 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.

KYRIE

P: Lord, have mercy upon us.

C: Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray. O God of grace and mercy, we give thanks for Your loving-kindness shown to Carol and all Your servants who, having finished their course in faith, now rest from their labors. Grant that we also may be faithful unto death and receive the crown of eternal life; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God now and forever.

C: Amen.

(Be seated.)

FIRST READINGS: Psalms 23 and 100

R: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

(Stand.)

GOSPEL READING: St. John 16:20-24

R: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

(Be seated.)

SOLO: "On Eagles' Wings"

Judy Hansen

HOMILY - Dennis M. Drews, Vacancy Pastor

(Stand.)

APOSTLES' CREED

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

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.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

LORD'S PRAYER

P: Taught by our Lord and trusting His promises, we are bold to pray:

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.

NUNC DIMITTIS - *Words of Simeon*

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.

P: "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."

Let us pray. 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 those 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.

C: Amen.

P: Let us bless the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

C: Amen.

P: We go forth in peace,

C: In the name of Jesus. Amen.

POSTLUDE

(Upon completion of the service, we will proceed to the church's fellowship hall for a luncheon to which all are invited.)

(Interment will follow the luncheon at Greenwood Cemetery, River Falls, Wisconsin.)

Officiant: Pastor Dennis M. Drews

Organist: Eunice Kanning

Soloist: Judy Hansen

Pallbearers: Leslie Kalenburg
Steven Kalenburg
Tricia Defiel
Nyomi Defiel
Rick Defiel, Jr.
Andrea Parker

Honorary

Pallbearer: Michael Defiel, Jr.

Carol Elizabeth Marty Christianson

Carol Elizabeth Marty was born on December 21, 1942 in St. Paul, Minnesota, the daughter of Harold and Dorothy (Vizenor) Marty. She was baptized and later confirmed her Lutheran faith. She received her education at Johnson High School, St. Paul.

After her first marriage, Carol worked for Cenex Agricultural Products, Inver Grove Heights, for eight years, then at the Ordway Music Theatre in St. Paul where she retired as COO in 2000.

Carol and her husband Terry resided in St. Louis Park until 2006, then moved to Lakeland, Minnesota until late 2014 when her PSP required her to be in a skilled nursing facility.

In her retirement she and Terry were able to travel extensively.

Carol was a very active and talented woman and enjoyed many activities that included gardening, shopping, many activities at church and for charity (Food Shelf, Dorothy Day), cooking, homemaking, ceramics, painting, plus outdoor activities of walking, fishing and landscaping. She was a willing helper to those in need. Her room in the Christian Community Home in Hudson was decorated with many of her creations.

Those who mourn her death include her husband Terry; siblings Lawrence Marty, Yvonne (Donald) McKechnie; sons Nick, Michael and Christopher Defiel; grandchildren Rick (Katie) Defiel, Jr., Leslie (Steve) Kalenburg, Andrea Parker, Tricia Defiel, Nyomi Defiel, Michael Defiel, Jr., Ashley Defiel; eight great-grandchildren, daughter-in-law Tammy Defiel, and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents; sister Theresea Jackson; and her son Ricardo Defiel.

Interment will take place in Greenwood Cemetery, River Falls, Wisconsin.