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Cover art: *Icon of the Resurrection*, The risen Christ draws humankind
from death into his light and life, 2011

The Holy Eucharist with the Rite of Commendation

Deborah Lynn Sattler Oakman
1955 - 2023

*If you are unfamiliar with this form of worship, relax and let the assembly carry you.
We follow the worship pattern of The Book of Common Prayer.
Hymns and songs are found in Hymnal 1982 (blue book) or this program.
Kindly turn off cellphones for the duration of the liturgy.*

Tolling bells invite us to silence and stillness

Prelude

“Concerto in a minor”

Bach-Vivaldi

Allegro

*As the ministers process to the baptismal font where they will welcome the family,
all stand as able and turn toward the font.*

Greeting

Collect for the deceased

The urn is sprinkled with baptismal water, the blessing of the Triune God, and then clothed with a white pall, a sign of the baptismal garment with which Deborah was baptized.

Collect for the family

*The Paschal Candle, symbol of the risen Christ, leads the family and ministers into the nave of the church. As they process to the altar, the **Resurrection Anthems** are sung; the text is found in The Book of Common Prayer, page 491.*

Collect

The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Let us pray. *Silence.*

Concluding: “forever and ever.” Amen.

The Word of God

At the invitation of the presider, all are seated.

First Reading: Ecclesiastes 3:1-8

Holy Wisdom. Holy Word. **All: Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 23

The cantor sings the refrain, then all sing the refrain.

Marty Haugen

REFRAIN

Shep-herd me, O God, be - yond my wants, be -

yond my fears, from death in - to life._____

1,2,3,5 to Vss 1,2,3,5

4. to Verse 4 Final

death in - to life. deah in - to life._____

Fine

Detailed description: This is a musical score for the Refrain of Psalm 23. It consists of three staves of music in a 4/4 time signature with a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat). The first staff is labeled 'REFRAIN' and contains the lyrics 'Shep-herd me, O God, be - yond my wants, be -'. The second staff continues with 'yond my fears, from death in - to life._____'. Above the second staff, there is a box containing '1,2,3,5' and 'to Vss 1,2,3,5'. The third staff begins with a box containing '4.' and 'to Verse 4', followed by 'Final' and 'deah in - to life._____'. The piece ends with a 'Fine' symbol.

Second Reading: Romans 8:31-39

Holy Wisdom. Holy Word. **Thanks be to God.**

Silence and stillness

All stand as able.

Sequence Hymn

“Alleluia! The strife is o’er”

Hymnal 1982 208

Verse 1: All; **Verse 2:** Higher voices; **Verse 4:** Lower voices; **Verse 5:** All

As the Gospel Book is processed into the center of the assembly, all turn to face it.

Gospel Acclamation

The cantor sings the acclamation; all sing the acclamation; the cantor sings the verse, then all sing the acclamation.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia al - le - lu - ia.

Detailed description: This is a musical score for the Gospel Acclamation. It consists of a single staff of music in a 4/4 time signature with a key signature of one sharp (F#). The lyrics are 'Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia al - le - lu - ia.' The music is simple and melodic, with a final note on a whole note.

The Holy Gospel: John 14:1-7

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

[+] **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

At the conclusion of the reading:

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, Lord Christ**

All are seated at the invitation of the presider.

Sermon

The Rev. Samuel Torvend

Silence and Stillness

All stand as able.

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

**He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.**

**He 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,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

He will come again 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.**

The Prayers

Cantor: For our sister Deborah, let us pray to our Lord Jesus Christ who said,
"I am Resurrection and I am Life."

Cantor: Lord, you consoled Martha and Mary in their distress; draw near to us who
mourn for Deborah, and dry the tears of those who weep.

Cantor: Hear us, Lord; **All: Hear us, Lord.**

You wept at the grave of Lazarus, your friend; comfort us in our sorrow.
Hear us, Lord.

You raised the dead to life; give to our sister eternal life. **Hear us, Lord.**

You promised paradise to the thief who repented; bring our sister to the joys of heaven.
Hear us, Lord.

Our sister was washed in Baptism and anointed with the Holy Spirit;
give her fellowship with all your saints. **Hear us, Lord.**

She was nourished with your Body and Blood;
grant her a place at the table in your heavenly kingdom. **Hear us, Lord.**

Comfort us in our sorrows at the death of our sister;
let our faith be our consolation, and eternal life our hope.

Concluding Collect

The Peace

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

The ministers and people greet one another with a gesture and word of peace.

The Holy Communion

All are seated.

Music

“If You But Trust in God to Guide You”

J. L. Krebs

All stand as able.

Hymn at the Presentation of the Gifts

“I am the Bread of Life”

Hymnal 1982 335

The Great Thanksgiving

The text of Eucharistic Prayer A is found in The Book of Common Prayer, page 361

Celebrant *People*

The Lord be with you. And with thy spi - rit.

Celebrant *People*

Lift up your hearts. We lift them up un - to the Lord.

Celebrant

Let us give thanks un - to our Lord God.

People

It is meet and right so to do.

Sanctus

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

Memorial Acclamation

Therefore, we proclaim the mystery of faith:


Celebrant and People



Christ has died. Christ is ris - en. Christ will come a - gain.

Great Amen

Celebrant *People*



A-men.

The Lord's Prayer

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray:

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.

Fraction Anthem



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le -
lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Christ our Pass - o - ver is
sac - ri - ficed for us; there - fore let us keep the feast.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Invitation to Communion

The gifts of God for the People of God.

All who desire to receive the Body and Blood Christ in the gifts of bread and wine and serve his mission in the world are welcome to communion.

*Come to the altar platform along the **middle aisle** of the left and right sections. When a place at the altar railing opens up, walk to that space and stand or kneel. Receive the bread in your hand and consume it; then assist the minister as they guide the cup of wine to your lips and take a sip. Please note that to protect the health of our community, **we do not practice intinction** (dipping the bread in the cup).*

*Should you prefer to receive a blessing rather than communion, fold your arms over your heart: the minister will ask God's blessing. Once you have received communion or a blessing, return to your seat by the **outer aisle**.*

Communion Music

“If You But Trust in God to Guide You”
Rae Hyra, Cantor and Choral Scholar

Georg Neumark

All stand as able.

Post-Communion Collect

Let us pray.

Almighty God,

we thank you that in your great love

you have fed us with the spiritual food and drink

of the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ,

and have given us a foretaste of your heavenly banquet.

Grant that this Sacrament may be to us a comfort in affliction,

and a pledge of our inheritance in that kingdom where there is no death,

neither sorrow nor crying, but the fullness of joy with all your saints;

through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

The Commendation

The ministers gather at the urn.

Let us pray:

Give rest, O Christ, **to your servant with your saints,
where sorrow and pain are no more, neither sighing, but life everlasting.**

You only are immortal, the creator and maker of humankind;
and we are mortal, formed of the earth, and to earth shall we return.
For so did you ordain when you created us, saying,
"You are dust, and to dust you shall return."
All of us go down to the dust; yet even at the grave we make our song:
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Give rest, O Christ, **to your servant with your saints,
where sorrow and pain are no more, neither sighing, but life everlasting.**

Into your hands, O merciful Savior,
we commend your servant, Deborah.
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.
Amen.

Blessing

All turn as the ministers and family begin to process to the font.

Recessional hymn "For All the Saints" *Hymnal 1982 287*

Verses 1-2: All; **Verse 3:** Higher voices; **Verse 4:** All; **Verse 7:** Lower voices; **Verse 8:** All

Dismissal

Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

Postlude

"In dir ist Freude"

Johann Sebastian Bach

BWV 615

You are invited to a reception in Wells Hall, across the courtyard from the church.

The organ meditation “In dir ist Freude” (J. S. Bach) is based on a late 16th century German hymn attributed to Cyriacus Schneegaß. Bach composed his chorale prelude, BWV 615, as part of his *Orgelbüchlein*, 1708-1717. The English hymn, “In Thee is Gladness,” based on the German hymn text, was the Hymn of the Day sung at the wedding of Douglas and Deborah Oakman.

Deborah Lynn Sattler Oakman

1955-2023



In her youth Debbie made dresses, collected stamps and demitasse cups, and was a brilliant student. She had a beloved German Shepherd named Gypsy. She married and shared almost 47 years with a Lutheran pastor and academic, "her Doug." She was a highly skilled maternity nurse, rejoicing to bring newborns safely into the world and grieving with parents when things went wrong. She loved to read romance novels, work needle point, travel to far off places, and eat chocolate. While reared as a Lutheran, she was received into the Episcopal Church in 2017. Now Debbie has been gathered to the bosom of Abraham, accompanied by a host of angels. She looked forward to joining in heaven her father Bob, her stepdad Hugh, her brother Steve, and of course, Gypsy. She shares with a great cloud of witnesses her unwavering faith in Christ. And she will never be forgotten here by those who loved her.

May she and all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

Memorial Gifts

In lieu of flowers, the family recommends gifts in memory of Deborah Oakman to *Lutheran World Relief* at <https://lwr.org/>, click Ways to Give; and to *Christ Church Parish* at <https://christchurchtacoma.org/giving/> or send a check to: Christ Church Parish | 310 North K Street | Tacoma WA 98403 (memo line: in memory of Deborah Oakman).

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Deacon The Rev. Donna Arellano

Lectors Sean Horner and Don Johnson

Cantor: Rae Hyra

Organist Dr. Paul Tegels

Gift Bearers Justin Oakman and John Oakman

Eucharistic Minister Robert Hicker

Acolyte Rod Blackburn

Thurifer Caroline Huckaby

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