

Order of Service



Greeting/Invocation

One: Gracious is our God and righteous; our God is full of compassion.

Many: In life and in death, His love will follow, even unto the ends of the earth.

One: God of grace and mercy, we gather today to celebrate the life and mourn the death of your servant, Carol Evelyn Detje, who was married in this church, who raised her family in this church, and who now passes through this church one final time on her path to eternal rest. God, we ask that you bless both Carol and her beloved community, that you help us feel your presence among us today, and that you guide and comfort us with your Spirit now and in all the days to come.

All: Amen

Prelude and Procession

Gospel: John 14:1-6

***Hymn:** "I'll Fly Away" (Black Hymnal #595)

*Prayer

One: The Peace of Christ be with you.

Many: And also with you.

One: Let us pray

One: Merciful God, look upon us in our sorrow, and enable us to hear your Word. Through the encouragement of scripture and song, may we hold fast to the assurance of your favor and hope of life eternal, through Jesus Christ our risen Savior. Amen.

Reading: Isaiah 40:10, 11, 31

Special Music: "In the Garden" - Shane Scheel

Epistle: Ecclesiastes 3:1-4

Homily



Meditation

Words of Remembrance - Staci Andrea

*Affirmation of Faith

One: Let us say again what we believe.

All: We believe there is no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus, and we know that in everything God works for good with those who are called according to God's purpose. We are sure that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor things present, nor things to come, nor anything else in all creation will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus. Amen.

*Prayer of Thanksgiving and Intercession

***Lord's Prayer** (debts/debtors)

*Commendation

One: Into your hands, O merciful savior, we commend your servant, Carol. Acknowledge, we pray, a sheep of your own fold, a lamb of your own flock, and a daughter of your own redeeming. Receive her into the arms of your mercy, into the blessed rest of everlasting peace, and into the company of the saints.

All: Amen.

***Hymn:** "Amazing Grace" (Black Hymnal #547)

***Benediction:** Numbers 6:24-26

Postlude and Recessional



*please stand in body or Spirit

Officiant was **Jim Coppoc**.

Music by **Landon** and **Carston Calderwood**, and **Shane Scheel**.

Readings by **Shane Scheel** and **Staci Andrea**.