

I WILL DWELL
IN THE HOUSE OF THE
LORD
FOREVER



SERVICE OF COMFORT AND HOPE

November 18, 2023

In Loving Memory of

Audrey Lorraine Bauch

A Christian memorial service is a worship celebration. Although there is sadness because we no longer have our loved one with us, we meet here to celebrate the joy of victory for Audrey Lorraine Bauch and for ourselves as we believe that Jesus Christ has died for us and was raised back to life. We worship together.

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VICTORY CELEBRATION

Do you not know that all who were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into His death? We were, therefore, buried with Him through baptism into death in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, we, too, may live a new life. If we have been united with Him in His death, we will certainly also be united with Him in His resurrection. (*Romans 6:3–5*)

OBITUARY

HYMN OF COMFORT

“Great Is Thy Faithfulness”

Great is Thy faithfulness, O God my Father;
There is no shadow of turning with Thee.
Thou changest not: Thy compassions, they fail not;
As Thou hast been, Thou forever wilt be.

Refrain

Great is Thy faithfulness!
Great is Thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see;
All I have needed Thy hand hath provided;
Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!

Summer and winter and springtime and harvest,
Sun, moon, and stars in their courses above
Join with all nature in manifold witness
To Thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love. (**refrain**)

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide;
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,
Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside! **(refrain)**

INVOCATION

P We gather here today to receive and to share with each other the comfort and strength of our Lord.

C **In His Word is both life and hope which is ours through our Lord Jesus Christ.**

P In You, O Lord, do we trust. Be with us this day as we need and seek Your guidance and direction in grief and sorrow.

C **In You, O Lord, do we trust. And so, we make our beginning in the name of the Father Who created us, the Son Who redeemed both body and soul, and the Holy Spirit Who made this earthly body the temple of our Lord. Amen.**

P O God of grace and glory, we remember before You today, Audrey, our sister in Christ. We thank You for giving her to us to know and to love as a companion here on earth. In Your unlimited compassion, console us who mourn. Enable us, Lord, to be able to see in death the gate to eternal life and that we may continue our course on earth in confidence until, by Your call, we are reunited with Audrey and those who have gone before us; through Your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

C **Amen.**

P May our Lord Jesus Christ Himself, and God the Father Who loved us, and by His grace gave us eternal life, strengthen you in every good deed and word. Amen. (*2 Thessalonians 2:16–17*)

SOME OF AUDREY'S FAVORITE VERSES

Jeremiah 29:11 (ESV)

For I know the plans I have for you, declares the LORD, plans for welfare and not for evil, to give you a future and a hope.

Micah 6:8 (ESV)

He has told you, O man, what is good; and what does the LORD require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?

NEW TESTAMENT

2 Corinthians 4:6-5:7 (ESV)

⁶ For God, who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ. ⁷ But we have this treasure in jars of clay, to show that the surpassing power belongs to God and not to us. ⁸ We are afflicted in every way, but not crushed; perplexed, but not driven to despair; ⁹ persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed; ¹⁰ always carrying in the body the death of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be manifested in our bodies. ¹¹ For we who live are always being given over to death for Jesus' sake, so that the life of Jesus also may be manifested in our mortal flesh. ¹² So death is at work in us, but life in you. ¹³ Since we have the same spirit of faith according to what has been written, "I believed, and so I spoke," we also believe, and so we also speak, ¹⁴ knowing that He who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus and bring us with you into His presence. ¹⁵ For it is all for your sake, so that as grace extends to more and more people it may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God. ¹⁶ So we do not lose heart. Though our outer self is wasting away, our inner self is being renewed day by day. ¹⁷ For this light momentary affliction is preparing for us an eternal weight of glory beyond all comparison, ¹⁸ as we look not to the things that are seen but to the things that are unseen. For the things that are seen are transient, but the things that are unseen are eternal. ^{5:1} For we know that if the tent that is our earthly home is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens. ² For in this tent we groan, longing to put on our heavenly dwelling, ³ if indeed by putting it on we may not be found naked. ⁴ For while we are still in this tent, we groan, being burdened-- not that we would be unclothed, but that we would be further clothed, so that what is mortal may be swallowed up by life. ⁵ He who has prepared us for this very thing is God, who has given us the Spirit as a guarantee. ⁶ So we are always of good courage. We know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord, ⁷ for we walk by faith, not by sight.

GOSPEL PROMISE

John 14:1–6 (ESV)

[Jesus said,] ¹“Let not your hearts be troubled. Believe in God; believe also in Me. ²In My Father’s house are many rooms. 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, that where I am you may be also. ⁴And you know the way to 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.”

HYMN OF HOPE

“My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less”

My hope is built on nothing less
Than Jesus’ blood and righteousness;
No merit of my own I claim
But wholly lean on Jesus’ name. Refrain

Refrain

**On Christ, the solid rock, I stand;
All other ground is sinking sand.**

When darkness veils His lovely face,
I rest on His unchanging grace;
In ev’ry high and stormy gale
My anchor holds within the veil. **(refrain)**

When He shall come with trumpet sound,
Oh, may I then in Him be found,
Clothed in His righteousness alone,
Redeemed to stand before His throne! **(refrain)**

MESSAGE

“TREASURE”

2 Corinthians 4:6-5:7
Pr Jim Sprenkle

PRAYER

P O God, our Father in Heaven:

C **Have Mercy.**

P O God the Son, Redeemer of the world:

C **Have Mercy.**

P O God the Holy Spirit, our Counselor:

C **Grant us Your peace.**

P O, how glorious is that Kingdom wherein all the saints rejoice with Christ.

C **They are clothed with white robes and follow the Lamb wherever He goes.**

P Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit,

C **As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.**

P Loving and merciful God, if it were not for the promise of the resurrection and life eternal, we could not endure the sorrow which has come upon this gathering. Only the assurance of Your continual presence enables us to carry on during these times. Lord, do not let these loved ones mourn as those who have no hope. Comfort them day after day with the precious promise of Your Word. Give them grace to come to You and to find rest for their souls.

Merciful God, You have appointed us to endure trouble and sorrow with our Lord Jesus Christ before we enter with Him into glory. Enable us to be strong in faith to the end and to find peace and joy in the blessed hope of the resurrection of the dead and of the glory of the world to come. We pray through Jesus. Amen.

THE 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.

THE COMMENDATION

P Into Your hands, O merciful Savior, we commend Your servant, Audrey Lorraine Bauch. We humbly ask, Lord, that You acknowledge her as a sheep of Your fold, a lamb of Your flock, and a sinner whom You have redeemed. Receive her into Your merciful arms, into the blessed rest of everlasting peace, and into the glorious company of the saints in Heaven.

C **Amen.**

BENEDICTION

(Elderly Simeon spoke the following words when Baby Jesus was presented to him in the temple.)

Sovereign Lord, as You have promised, You now dismiss Your servant in peace. For my eyes have seen Your salvation, which You have prepared in the sight of all people, a light for revelation to the Gentiles and for glory to Your people Israel. *Luke 2:29-32*

May God enable you to see Jesus as your salvation. In the name of the Father, the ✠ Son, and the Holy Spirit. Amen.

CLOSING SONG “Abide With Me”

Abide with me, fast falls the eventide.
The darkness deepens; Lord, with me abide.
When other helpers fail and comforts flee,
Help of the helpless, O abide with me.

I need Thy presence ev'ry passing hour;
What but Thy grace can foil the tempter's pow'r?
Who like Thyself my guide and stay can be?
Through cloud and sunshine, O abide with me.

Come not in terrors, as the King of kings,
But kind and good, with healing in Thy wings;
Tears for all woes, a heart for ev'ry plea.
Come, Friend of sinners, thus abide with me.

I fear no foe with Thee at hand to bless;
Ills have no weight and tears no bitterness.
Where is death's sting? Where, grave, thy victory?
I triumph still if Thou abide with me!

Please join the family for a time of fellowship and refreshment in our Community Room following the service.

Memorials: Ascension Lutheran Church

Officiant: **Rev. Jim Sprengle**
Musician: **Brad Hall**

CHRISTIAN OBITUARY

Audrey Lorraine Bauch

March 16, 1930 – October 15, 2023



Audrey Lorraine (Wallner) Bauch was born March 16, 1930, in Dickinson, North Dakota, the daughter of Elmer F.C. Wallner and Nina M. Christianson. She died on October 15, 2023, at Fairlawn care center in Gresham, Oregon. Audrey was baptized May 27, 1930 at St. Peter's Lutheran Church in De Sart, North Dakota. She was confirmed on March 16, 1943 in Dickinson, North Dakota, and was a member of Ascension Lutheran Church at the time of her death.

Audrey was married to Adolph "Shorty" Bauch on August 28, 1949, in Vancouver, Washington. Three children were born to this union, Julie Diane, Alan Adolph, and Robin Lorane.

In 1958 Audrey and Shorty bought their first home in Southeast Portland, and later that year co-founded Ascension Lutheran Church. She was a member of the Altar Guild, sang in the Choir, and served as Treasurer after her retirement. In a family history book, she wrote "Our membership at Ascension has had the most profound effect on our lives. We have been blessed with a full spiritual life, as well as many friends and relationships that have given us support in troubled times and have shared our joy in happy times".

After being a full-time mother for fourteen years, she returned to work as a bookkeeper for a CPA firm in Gresham. She earned a tax preparer's license during her career. Audrey retired in 1992.

After retirement, Audrey and Shorty enjoyed traveling in their R.V., especially with a large group of friends from Ascension. They traveled across the United States and Canada attending family reunions. She loved to entertain and play bridge.

Preceding her in death are her parents, two brothers, two sisters, and her husband. She is survived by her children; son-in-law Gary Deems; three grandchildren, David Harvey (Christina), Jessica Hartwell Rose (Darius), and Eric Deems (Tiffani); great-grandchildren, Logan, Gray, Olivia, and Jack; and two sisters, Janice Moody and Dianne Lohan; and many nieces and nephews.