



**A Service of Victory and Thanksgiving to God
for the life of
Lylah June McCosh**

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Monday, October 26, 2020 — 10:00 a.m.

+ IN THE NAME OF JESUS +
A Service of Victory and Thanksgiving to God
for the life of
Lylah June McCosh
(June 30, 1934 — October 21, 2020)

+ Worship with Hope and Joy +

AS WE GATHER

As the church gathers for worship, we are reminded of the resurrection of our Lord Jesus and His promise that He has conquered death for us. His life means new life for His saints. We gather today for a service of praise and thanksgiving for the life of one of His saints, **Lylah June McCosh**. Her membership has now been transferred from the kingdom of grace to the kingdom of glory. She is now numbered among the saints who are part of the church triumphant.

PRAYER BEFORE THE SERVICE

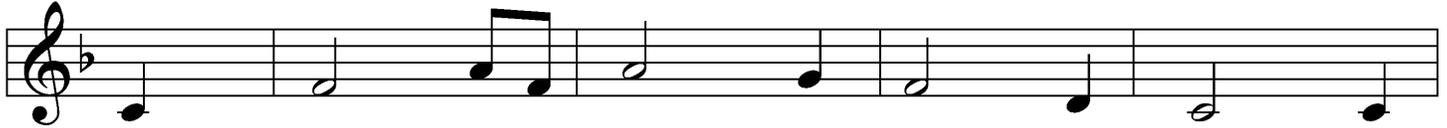
O God of grace and glory, we remember before You today our sister in Christ, **Lylah**. We thank You for giving him to us to know and to love as a companion while here on earth. In Your boundless compassion, console us who mourn. Help us to see in death the gate to eternal life, that we may continue our course on earth in confidence until, by Your call, we are reunited with those who have died before us; through Your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

PRE-SERVICE MUSIC

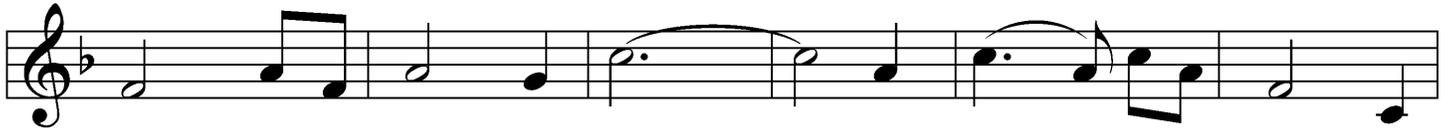
EULOGY

HYMN — “Amazing Grace”

LSB 744



1 A - maz - ing grace— how sweet the sound— That
2 The Lord has prom - ised good to me, His
3 Through man - y dan - gers, toils, and snares I
4 Yes, when this flesh and heart shall fail And
5 When we've been there ten thou - sand years, Bright



saved a wretch like me! I once was lost but
Word my hope se - cures; He will my shield and
have al - read - y come; His grace has brought me
mor - tal life shall cease, A - maz - ing grace shall
shin - ing as the sun, We've no less days to



now am found, Was blind but now I see!
por - tion be As long as life en - dures.
safe thus far, His grace will lead me home.
then pre - vail In heav - en's joy and peace.
sing God's praise Than when we'd first be - gun.

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INVOCATION

*The sign of the cross ✠ may be made by all
in remembrance of their Baptism.*

P In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

Matthew 28:19b

THE TRINITY



REMEMBRANCE OF BAPTISM

- P** In Holy Baptism **Lylah** was clothed with the robe of Christ's righteousness that covered all her sin. 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.**

Romans 6:3-5

INTROIT – *Psalm 31:1-5*

- P** In you, O LORD, do I take refuge;
let me never be put to shame;
- C** **in your righteousness deliver me!**
- P** ² Incline your ear to me;
rescue me speedily!
- C** **Be a rock of refuge for me,
a strong fortress to save me!**
- P** ³ For you are my rock and my fortress;
- C** **and for your name's sake you lead me and guide me;**
- P** ⁴ you take me out of the net they have hidden for me,
- C** **for you are my refuge.**
- P** ⁵ Into your hand I commit my spirit;
- C** **you have redeemed me, O LORD, faithful God.**



**All: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

KYRIE (*Greek for "Lord"*)

- P** Lord, have mercy upon us.
- C** **Christ, have mercy upon us.**
Lord, have mercy upon us.

SALUTATION and PRAYER OF THE DAY

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 **Lylah** and to 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.

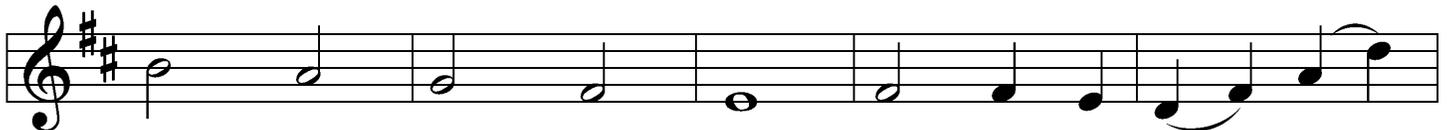
Please be seated

HYMN — “I Know That My Redeemer Lives”

St. 1-4; LSB 461



1 I know that my Re - deem - er lives; What com - fort
2 He lives tri - um - phant from the grave; He lives e -
3 He lives to bless me with His love; He lives to
4 He lives to grant me rich sup - ply; He lives to



this sweet sen - tence gives! He lives, He lives, who
ter - nal - ly to save; He lives all - glo - rious
plead for me a - bove; He lives my hun - gry
guide me with His eye; He lives to com - fort



once was dead; He lives, my ev - er - liv - ing head.
in the sky; He lives ex - alt - ed there on high.
soul to feed; He lives to help in time of need.
me when faint; He lives to hear my soul's com - plaint.

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OLD TESTAMENT – Job 19:25-27

²⁵For I know that my Redeemer lives,
and at the last he will stand upon the earth.
²⁶And after my skin has been thus destroyed,
yet in my flesh I shall see God,
²⁷whom I shall see for myself,
and my eyes shall behold, and not another.
My heart faints within me!



P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL — Revelation 2:10b

Be thou faithful unto death and I will give thee a crown of life.



EPISTLE — 1 Corinthians 15:55-58

⁵⁵“O death, where is your victory?
O death, where is your sting?”

⁵⁶The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. ⁵⁷But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

⁵⁸Therefore, my beloved brothers, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that in the Lord your labor is not in vain.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Please stand

VERSE — Revelation 1:5-6

P Alleluia, alleluia. Jesus Christ is the firstborn of the dead;

C to Him be glory and power forever. Alleluia.

HOLY GOSPEL – John 14:1-6

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the fourteenth chapter.

C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

[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.*

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

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.

Please be seated

HYMN — “Jesus Thy Blood and Righteousness”

St. 1, 3, 5, 6; LSB 563



1 Je - sus, Thy blood and righ - teous - ness My beau - ty
3 Lord, I be - lieve Thy pre - cious blood, Which at the
5 When from the dust of death I rise To claim my
6 Je - sus, be end - less praise to Thee, Whose bound - less



are, my glo - rious dress; Midst flam - ing worlds, in
mer - cy seat of God Pleads for the cap - tives'
man - sion in the skies, This then shall be my
mer - cy hath for me, For me, and all Thy



these ar - rayed, With joy shall I lift up my head.
lib - er - ty, Was al - so shed in love for me.
on - ly plea: Je - sus hath lived and died for me.
hands have made, An ev - er - last - ing ran - som paid.

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SERMON

Rev. Michael J. Schmidt

Please stand

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

- P** Let us pray to the Lord, our God and Father, who raised Jesus from the dead.
- P** Almighty God, you have knit your chosen people together in one communion in the mystical body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Give to your whole Church in heaven and on earth your light and your peace. Lord, in your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**



P Grant that all who have been baptized into Christ's death and resurrection may die to sin and rise to newness of life and that through the gate of death and the grave we may pass with him to our joyful resurrection. Lord, in your mercy,
C **hear our prayer.**

P Grant that all who have been nourished by the holy body and blood of Your Son may be raised to immortality and incorruption to be seated with Him at Your heavenly banquet. Lord, in your mercy,
C **hear our prayer.**

P Give to the family of **Lylah** and to all who mourn comfort in their grief and a sure confidence in Your loving care that, casting all their sorrow on You, they may know the consolation of Your love. Lord, in your mercy,
C **hear our prayer.**

P Grant courage and faith to the bereaved, that within the communion of Your Church they may have strength to meet the days ahead in the assurance of a holy and certain hope and in the joyful expectation of eternal life with those they love who have departed in the faith. Lord, in your mercy,
C **hear our prayer.**

P Help us, we pray, in the midst of things we cannot understand, to believe in and find comfort in the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Lord, in your mercy,
C **Hear our prayer.**

P God of all grace, you sent your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, to bring life and immortality to light. We give you thanks that by his death he destroyed the power of death and by his resurrection opened the kingdom of heaven to all believers. Strengthen us in the confidence that because he lives we shall live also and that neither death nor life nor things present nor things to come will be able to separate us from your love which is in Christ Jesus our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

LORD'S PRAYER *(Matthew 6:9-13)*

P Taught by our Lord and trusting in 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 *(Greek for "Now let depart")*

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."

John 11:25-26

C ²⁹**"Lord, now you are letting your servant depart in peace,**
according to your word;
³⁰**for my eyes have seen your salvation**
³¹**that you have prepared in the presence of all peoples,**
³²**a light for revelation to the Gentiles,**
and for glory to your people Israel."

Luke 2:29-32

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and 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."

John 11:25-26

CONCLUDING COLLECT

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P 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.**

BENEDICAMUS and BENEDICTION

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 on you and be gracious to you.

The LORD lift up His countenance upon you and T give you peace.

C **Amen.**

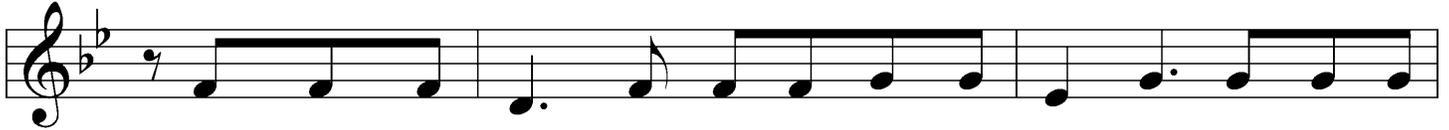
P Let us go forth in peace,

C **in the name of the Lord. Amen.**

Please be seated

HYMN — “How Great Thou Art”

LSB 801



1 O Lord my God, when I in awe-some won - der Con - sid - er
 2 When through the woods and for - est glades I wan - der, I hear the
 3 But when I think that God, His Son not spar - ing, Sent Him to
 4 When Christ shall come with shout of ac - cla - ma - tion And take me



all the works Thy hand hath made, I see the stars, I hear the might - y
 birds sing sweet - ly in the trees; When I look down from loft - y moun - tain
 die, I scarce can take it in— That on the cross my bur - den glad - ly
 home, what joy shall fill my heart! Then I shall bow in hum - ble ad - o -



thun - der, Thy pow'r through - out the u - ni - verse dis - played;
 gran - deur And hear the brook and feel the gen - tle breeze;
 bear - ing He bled and died to take a - way my sin;
 ra - tion And there pro - claim: “My God, how great Thou art!”

Refrain



Then sings my soul, my Sav - ior God, to Thee, How great Thou



art! How great Thou art! Then sings my soul, my Sav - ior God, to



Thee, How great Thou art! How great Thou art!

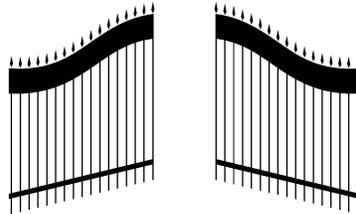
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Please stand

RECESSIONAL

POSTLUDE

+ TO GOD ALONE BE THE GLORY +



WELCOMED HOME

INTERMENT

Graveside Services will follow the service at the Union-Livingston Cemetery, six miles North of Abilene on HWY 15 & 1 mile East on HWY 18 & ¼ mile South on Indy Road.

TO THE WORSHIPER

It is at death that Christian people know they have a God who cares for them so much the *“he did not spare His own Son but delivered Him up to death for us all”* so that our death might be the gate to everlasting life. We mourn the separation from our family member and friend but rejoice that our loved one is with our Lord.

God’s word brings great comfort and strength as it tells us of His love and reminds us of His presence. Among many Scripture passages that might be helpful are: Psalm 46, Isaiah 35, John 20, Romans 8, 1 Corinthians 15, Revelation 7:9-17, and Revelation 21:1-5. We commend these to your study and reflection.

If you would like to know more about the hope we have in Christ, speak with a Christian friend or with the Pastor. Our telephone number at St. Luke’s Lutheran is (785) 539-2604. Thank you from God’s family for worshipping with us.



Lylah June McCosh

Lylah June (Blanken) McCosh, age 86, of Manhattan, died October 21, 2020, at the Good Shepherd Homecare and Hospice House in Manhattan.

She was born June 30, 1934, in rural Linn, Kansas, the daughter of Karl John William Blanken and Clara Emma Marie (Meyer) Blanken.

Lylah graduated from Chapman High School in 1952, and then took her Registered Nurse training from 1952 to 1955 in Vicksburg, MS, Chicago, IL for her OBGYN training and in Tallahassee, FL for her psychiatry training that was paid for by the Lutheran Laymen's League. She then worked for the Abilene Hospital.

She met Kenneth "Ken" McCosh in Chapman KS and were married on October 7, 1956 in Clay Center, Kansas.

They moved to Manhattan and she worked at Memorial Hospital in the OBGYN and later was the Labor/Delivery Supervisor. In 1978, she went to work at Surgical Associates for Dr. George Bascom and worked with Dr. Bascom until she retired in 1993.

In Spring of 1977 she was one of the Riley County citizens involved in the origination of Hospice Care of Manhattan.

Lylah was a member of St. Luke's Lutheran Church in Manhattan. She enjoyed attending her grandchildren's events and watching her grandchildren participate in sports, reading, traveling, gardening and visiting with family and friends.

Survivors include her two children: Kent McCosh and his wife Kathi of Lenexa, KS, and Ann Williams and her husband Steve of Manhattan; five grandchildren: Maddie McCosh and her fiancé Joe Arduini of Roeland Park, KS, Michael McCosh of Lenexa, Bryce Williams of Parker, CO, Ryan Williams of Manhattan, and Evan Williams of Wichita; and two siblings: Elmer Blanken of Leavenworth, KS, and Mary Ann Mall of Clay Center, KS along with many loving nieces & nephews.

Lylah was preceded in death by her husband Ken on April 25, 2016; by her parents and five siblings: Clarence Blanken, Wilda Helms, Ernest Blanken, Nora Goodin and Lorna Stigge.

Cremation is planned with private family services to be held at St. Luke's Lutheran Church in Manhattan with Reverend Michael Schmidt officiating. Inurnment will follow in the Union-Livingston Cemetery north of Abilene. To view the service you may go to the churches website at <https://stlukesmanhattan.org/> and go to the "Watch on Youtube" button at 10:00 A.M. Monday, October 26th.

Online condolences may be left for the family by clicking on "Send Condolences" on this page.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Orphan Grain Train, Lutheran Hour Ministries or Shepherd's Canyon Retreat. Contributions may be left in care of the Yorgensen-Meloan-Londeen Funeral Home, 1616 Poyntz Avenue, Manhattan, KS 66502.