

# Christ Church Cathedral | Nashville, Tennessee

A Memorial Eucharist for

Roberta Lynn Samet LaBour February 9, 1958 – January 26, 2018

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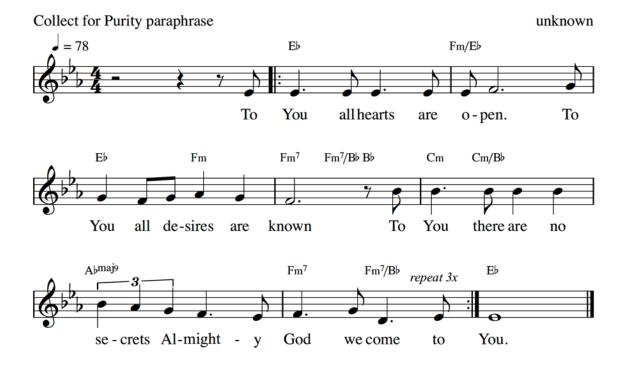
#### **OPENING ANTHEM**

I am Resurrection and I am Life, says the Lord. Whoever has faith in me shall have life, even though he die.
And everyone who has life, and has committed himself to me in faith, shall not die for ever.

As for me, I know that my Redeemer lives and that at the last he will stand upon the earth. After my awaking, he will raise me up; and in my body I shall see God. I myself shall see, and my eyes behold him who is my friend and not a stranger.

For none of us has life in himself, and none becomes his own master when he dies. For if we have life, we are alive in the Lord, and if we die, we die in the Lord. So, then, whether we live or die, we are the Lord's possession.

Happy from now on are those who die in the Lord! So it is, says the Spirit, for they rest from their labors.



### THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Leader The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Leader Let us pray.

O God of grace and glory, we remember before you this day our sister Roberta. We thank you for giving her to us, her family and friends, to know and to love as a companion on our earthly pilgrimage. In your boundless compassion, console us who mourn. Give us faith to see in death the gate of eternal life, so that in quiet confidence we may continue our course on earth, until, by your call, we are reunited with those who have gone before; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

# OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Song of Solomon 8:6-7 (seated)

Set me as a seal upon your heart, as a seal upon your arm; for love is strong as death, passion fierce as the grave. Its flashes are flashes of fire, a raging flame.

Many waters cannot quench love, neither can floods drown it. If one offered for love all the wealth of one's house, it would be utterly scorned.

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

# PSALM 42

As the deer longs for the water-brooks, \* so longs my soul for you, O God.

My soul is athirst for God, athirst for the living God; \* when shall I come to appear before the presence of God?

My tears have been my food day and night, \* while all day long they say to me, Where now is your God?"

I pour out my soul when I think on these things; \*
how I went with the multitude and led them into the
house of God,

With the voice of praise and thanksgiving, \* among those who keep holy-day.

Why are you so full of heaviness, O my soul? \* and why are you so disquieted within me?

Put your trust in God; \*
for I will yet give thanks to him,
who is the help of my countenance, and my God.

# New Testament Lesson I John 4:7-11

Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God; everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. Whoever does not love does not know God, for God is love. God's love was revealed among us in this way: God sent his only Son into the world so that we might live through him. In this is love, not that we loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Beloved, since God loved us so much, we also ought to love one another.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

### HYMN Love Divine



# THE GOSPEL LESSON Matthew 11:25-30 (standing)

Reader The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St Mark.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

At that time Jesus said, "I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the intelligent and have revealed them to infants; yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. All things have been handed over to me by my Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him. "Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."

Reader The Gospel of the Lord.
People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Homily (seated)

# APOSTLE'S CREED (standing)

Leader In the assurance of eternal life given at baptism, let us proclaim the faith and say,

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.

#### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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

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

People Hear us, Lord.

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

People Hear us, Lord.

Leader You raised the dead to life; give to our sister eternal life.

People Hear us, Lord.

Leader You promised paradise to the thief who repented; bring our sister to the joys of heaven.

People Hear us, Lord.

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

Leader We pray to you for Roberta, and for all those whom we love but see no longer. Grant to them eternal rest. Let light perpetual shine upon them. May her soul and the souls of all the departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

#### A PRAYER ATTRIBUTED TO ST. FRANCIS

# Leader Let us pray together:

Lord, make us instruments of your peace. Where there is hatred, let us sow love; where there is injury, pardon; where there is discord, union; where there is doubt, faith; where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light; where there is sadness, joy. Grant that we may not so much seek to be consoled as to console; to be understood as to understand; to be loved as to love. For it is in giving that we receive; it is in pardoning that we are pardoned; and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life. **Amen.** 

HYMN Nearer my God to Thee



#### HOLY COMMUNION

Leader The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Leader Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Leader Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give him thanks and praise.

The Eucharistic Prayer continues on BCP page 361.

Leader Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

# **SANCTUS**



The Eucharistic Prayer continues on BCP page 362.

### THE LORD'S PRAYER

Leader And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

People 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,
for ever and ever. Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD: Jesus, remember me



#### THE PEACE

Leader The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

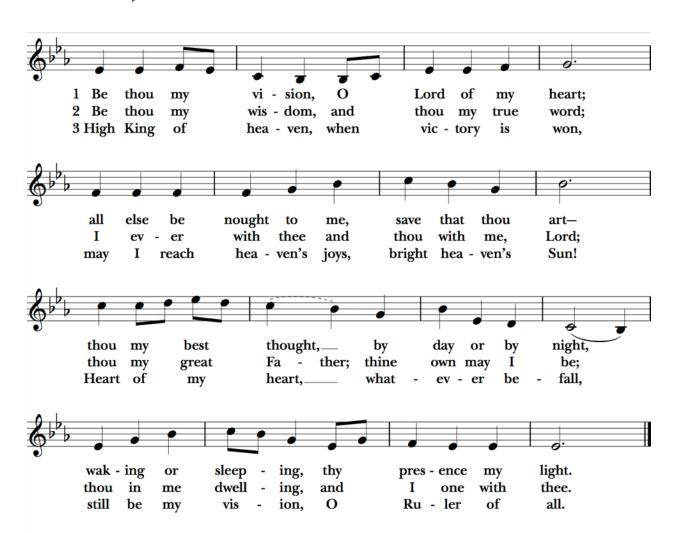
The people greet one another in the name of the Lord.

Leader The gifts of God for the people of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you and feed on him in your hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

# THE DISTRIBUTION

### Music During Communion

**HYMN** Be thou My Vision



What a Friend We Have in Jesus

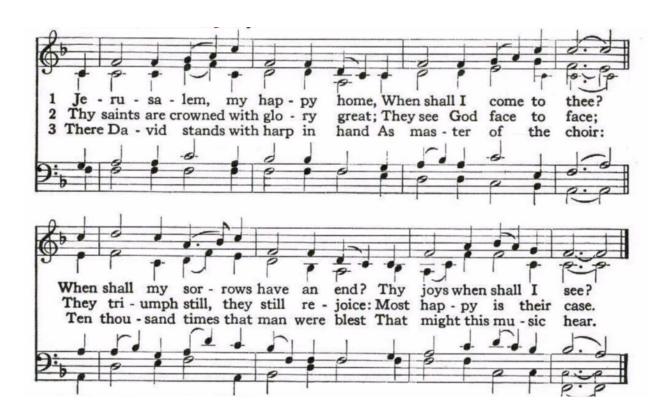


### THE POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

Leader Let us pray.

People 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.

# HYMN Jerusalem my happy home



### THE COMMENDATION

- Leader Give rest, O Christ, to your servant with your saints, where sorrow and pain are no more, neither sighing, but life everlasting.
- People You only are immortal, the creator and maker of mankind; and we are mortal, formed of the earth, and to earth shall we return. For so did you ordain when you created me, 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.
- Leader Give rest, O Christ, to your servant with your saints, where sorrow and pain are no more, neither sighing, but life everlasting.
- People Into your hands, O merciful Savior, we commend your servant Roberta. 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.

#### THE DISMISSAL

Leader Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

# WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

Worship Leader — Lissa Smith
Preacher — Timothy Kimbrough
Assisting Clergy — Gene Manning, Matthew Lewis
Musicians — Timothy Kimbrough, Caroline Rossini
Sacristan — Gina Williams
Reader — Felice Apolinsky



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In the busyness of this day grant me a stillness of seeing, O God.

In the conflicting voices of my heart grant me a calmness of hearing.

Let my seeing and hearing my words and my actions be rooted in a silent certainty of your presence.

Let my passions for life and the longings for justice that stir within me be grounded in the experience of your stillness.

Let my life be rooted in the ground of your peace, O God, let me be rooted in the depths of your peace.

Celtic Benediction: Morning and Night Prayer