

The Funeral of  
Bonnie Hummel  
Grace Lutheran Church  
Champaign, Illinois

*October 23, 2021*

## Welcome!

We are glad that you have joined us as we gather in the presence of God to be encountered by God in Jesus Christ through Word and Sacrament as we commend Bonnie Hummel into God's eternal care. We believe that God is truly at work here today in this worship service to both create and sustain our faith in God's promises of life for Jesus' sake, so that we may be comforted in our sorrow and empowered to be agents of God's grace in the world around us. This stands at the center of all we do as a community of faith.

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- Large-print bulletins are available from the ushers.
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Regular type: spoken by a leader

**Regular type:** spoken by the people

*Regular Italics:* sung or chanted by a leader

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*Small Italics:* liturgical directions

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# Gathering

## Prelude

*Rhosymedre*

*“The peace may be exchanged.”*

*Concerto del Signor Tomaso Albinoni*

*Wenn wir in höchsten Nöten sein*

*A Mighty Fortress is Our God*

Ralph Vaughan Williams

Dan Locklair

Johann Gottfried Walther

J. S. Bach

Robert Hobby

## Welcome

*The family and minsters gather at the font with the urn.*

*The assembly stands and the presiding minister greets them.*

Welcome in the name of Jesus, the Savior of the world.

We are gathered to worship,

to proclaim Christ crucified and risen,

to remember before God our sister Bonnie,

to give thanks for her life,

to commend her to our merciful redeemer,

and to comfort one another in our grief.

*As a sign of being clothed with Christ in baptism, a pall is placed on the urn.*

## Thanksgiving for Baptism

When we were baptized in Christ Jesus, we were baptized into his death. We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, so that as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might live a new 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.

*The presiding minister sprinkles the urn with water from the font following each acclamation.*

Eternal God, maker of heaven and earth, who formed us from the dust of the earth, who by your breath gave us life, we glorify you.

**We glorify you.**

Jesus Christ, the resurrection and the life, who suffered death for all humanity, who rose from the grave to open the way to eternal life, we praise you.

**We praise you.**

Holy Spirit, author and giver of life, the comforter of all who sorrow, our sure confidence and everlasting hope, we worship you.

**We worship you.**

To you, O blessed Trinity, be glory and honor, forever and ever.

**Amen.**

*The family and ministers process as the hymn is sung.*

*The assembly remains standing.*

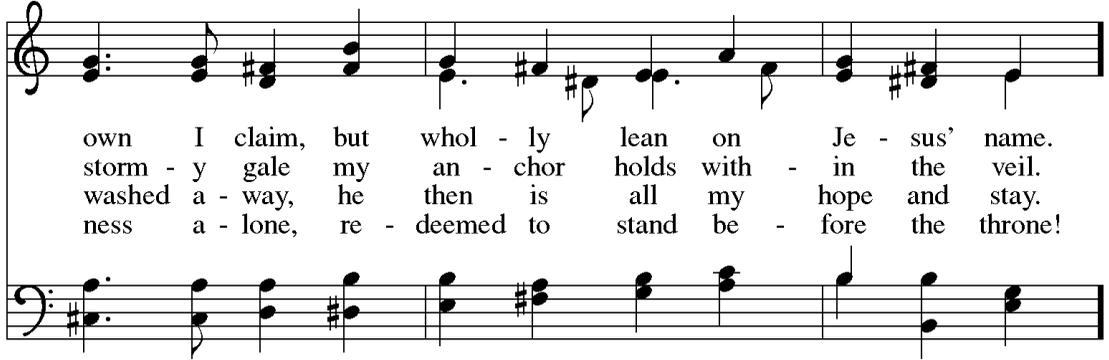
### Hymn *My Hope is Built on Nothing Less*

ELW 597

1 My hope is built on nothing less than  
2 When dark - ness veils his love - ly face, I  
3 His oath, his cov - e - nant, his blood sus -  
4 When he shall come with trum - pet sound, oh,

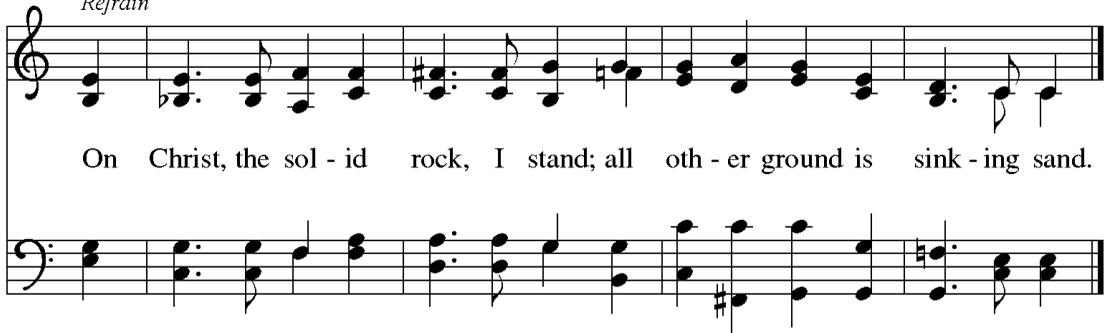


Je - sus' blood and righ - teous - ness; no mer - it of my  
rest on his un - chang - ing grace; in ev - 'ry high and  
tain me in the rag - ing flood; when all sup - ports are  
may I then in him be found, clothed in his righ - teous -



own I claim, but whol - ly lean on Je - sus' name.  
storm - y gale my an - chor holds with - in the veil.  
washed a - way, he then is all my hope and stay.  
ness a - lone, re - deemed to stand be - fore the throne!

*Refrain*



On Christ, the sol - id rock, I stand; all oth - er ground is sink - ing sand.

## Greeting

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,  
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**And also with you.**

## Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

O God of grace and glory, we remember before you today our sister Bonnie.

We thank you for giving her to us to know and to love as a companion in our pilgrimage on earth. In your boundless compassion, console us who mourn. Give us faith to see that death has been swallowed up in the victory of our Lord Jesus Christ, so that we may live in confidence and hope until, by your call, we are gathered to our heavenly home in the company of all your saints; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

*The assembly is seated.*

# Word

## First Reading

Lamentations 3:22-26, 31-33

<sup>22</sup>The steadfast love of the LORD never ceases,  
his mercies never come to an end;

<sup>23</sup>they are new every morning;  
great is your faithfulness.

<sup>24</sup>"The LORD is my portion," says my soul,  
"therefore I will hope in him."

<sup>25</sup>The LORD is good to those who wait for him,  
to the soul that seeks him.

<sup>26</sup>It is good that one should wait quietly  
for the salvation of the LORD.

<sup>31</sup>For the LORD will not  
reject forever.

<sup>32</sup>Although he causes grief, he will have compassion  
according to the abundance of his steadfast love;

<sup>33</sup>for he does not willingly afflict  
or grieve anyone.

Word of God, word of life.

**Thanks be to God.**

## Psalmody

Psalm 100

**<sup>1</sup>Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all you lands!**

**<sup>2</sup>Serve the Lord with gladness; come into God's presence with a song.**

**<sup>3</sup>Know that the Lord is God, our maker to whom we belong;  
we are God's people and the sheep of God's pasture.**

**<sup>4</sup>Enter the gates of the Lord with thanksgiving and the courts with praise;  
give thanks and bless God's holy name.**

**<sup>5</sup>Good indeed is the Lord, whose steadfast love is everlasting,  
whose faithfulness endures from age to age.**

## Second Reading

1 John 4: 7-12

<sup>7</sup>Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God; everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. <sup>8</sup>Whoever does not love does not know God, for God is love. <sup>9</sup>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. <sup>10</sup>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. <sup>11</sup>Beloved, since God loved us so much, we also ought to love one another. <sup>12</sup>No one has ever seen God; if we love one another, God lives in us, and his love is perfected in us.

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# Gospel Reading

John 1: 1-5, 9-14

A reading from the Gospel according to John, the 1<sup>st</sup> chapter.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>1</sup>In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. <sup>2</sup>He was in the beginning with God. <sup>3</sup>All things came into being through him, and without him not one thing came into being. What has come into being <sup>4</sup>in him was life, and the life was the light of all people. <sup>5</sup>The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it.

<sup>9</sup>The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world.

<sup>10</sup>He was in the world, and the world came into being through him; yet the world did not know him. <sup>11</sup>He came to what was his own, and his own people did not accept him. <sup>12</sup>But to all who received him, who believed in his name, he gave power to become children of God, <sup>13</sup>who were born, not of blood or of the will of the flesh or of the will of man, but of God.

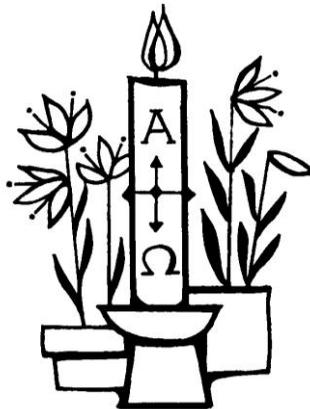
<sup>14</sup>And the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory, the glory as of a father's only son, full of grace and truth.

Word of God, word of life.

**Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

Pastor Chris Repp



The assembly stands.

# Hymn *For the Beauty of the Earth*

ELW 879



1 For the beau - ty of the earth, for the beau - ty of the skies,  
2 For the won - der of each hour of the day and of the night,  
3 For the joy of ear and eye, for the heart and mind's de - light,  
4 For the joy of hu - man love, broth - er, sis - ter, par - ent, child,  
5 For each per - fect gift of thine, peace on earth and joy in heav'n;



for the love which from our birth o - ver and a - round us lies:  
hill and vale and tree and flow'r, sun and moon and stars of light:  
for the mys - tic har - mo - ny link - ing sense to sound and sight:  
friends on earth and friends a - bove; for all gen - tle thoughts and mild:  
for thy - self, best gift di - vine, to our world so free - ly giv'n:



## *Refrain*



Christ, our God, to thee we raise this our sac - ri - fice of praise.



*The assembly stands.*

## Apostles' Creed

Let us confess the faith of the whole church, the faith in which we are baptized.

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

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come 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 Intercession

*The assisting minister leads the prayers. Each petition concludes:*

... God of mercy,

**hear our prayer.**

*The prayers conclude:*

God of all grace, ... now and forever.

**Amen.**

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

**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.**

*The assembly is seated.*

## Voluntary

*The King of Love My Shepherd Is*

Kristin Campbell  
Elsie Layman, violin

Text: The King of love my shepherd is, whose goodness faileth never;  
I nothing lack if I am his and he is mine forever.

## Sending

*The assembly stands.*

## Commendation

*The ministers take their places at the urn. The presiding minister leads the commendation.*  
Let us commend Bonnie to the mercy of God, our maker and redeemer.

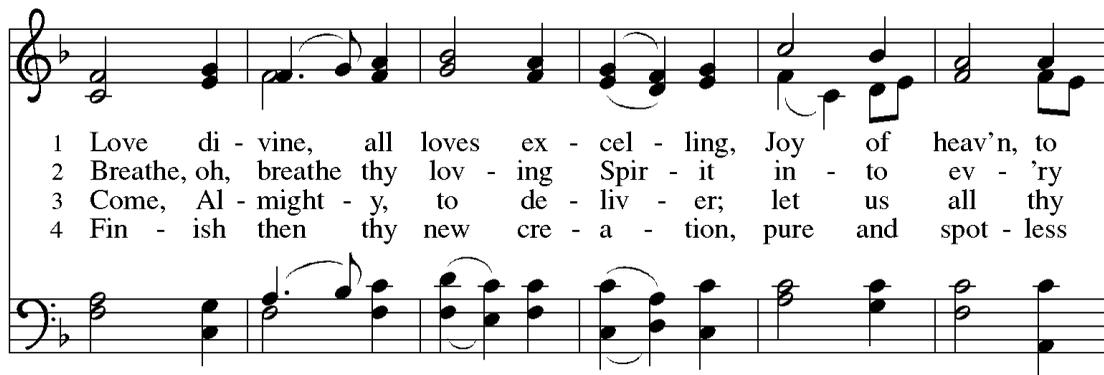
*Silence is kept.*

Into your hands, O merciful Savior, we commend your servant Bonnie.  
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.**

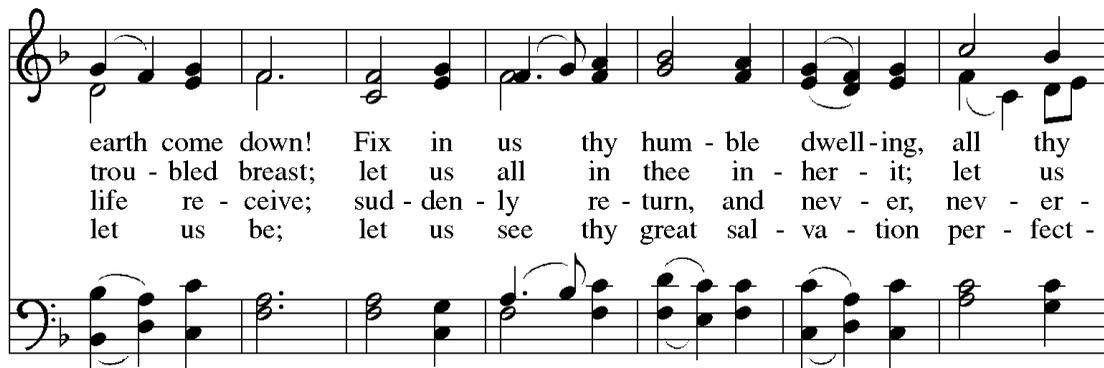
Let us go forth in peace,  
**in the name of Christ. Amen.**

# Sending Hymn *Love Divine, All Loves Excelling*

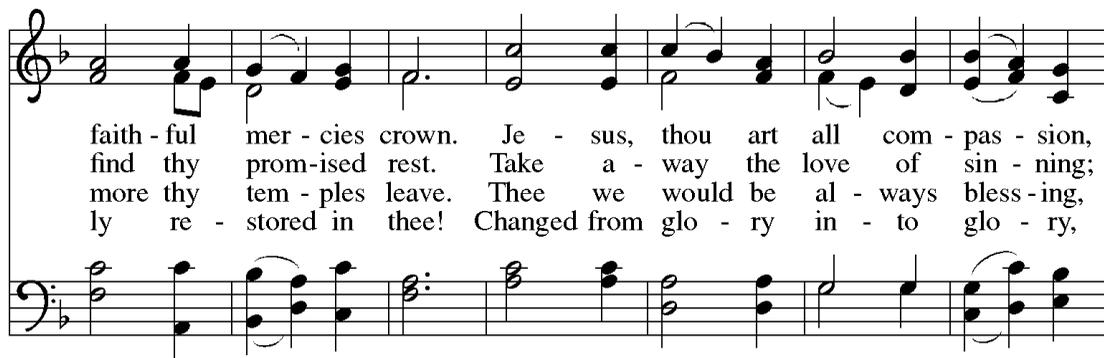
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1 Love di - vine, all loves ex - cel - ling, Joy of heav'n, to  
2 Breathe, oh, breathe thy lov - ing Spir - it in - to ev - 'ry  
3 Come, Al - might - y, to de - liv - er; let us all thy  
4 Fin - ish then thy new cre - a - tion, pure and spot - less



earth come down! Fix in us thy hum - ble dwell - ing, all thy  
trou - bled breast; let us all in thee in - her - it; let us  
life re - ceive; sud - den - ly re - turn, and nev - er, nev - er -  
let us be; let us see thy great sal - va - tion per - fect -



faith - ful mer - cies crown. Je - sus, thou art all com - pas - sion,  
find thy prom - ised rest. Take a - way the love of sin - ning;  
more thy tem - ples leave. Thee we would be al - ways bless - ing,  
ly re - stored in thee! Changed from glo - ry in - to glo - ry,

pure, un - bound - ed love thou art; vis - it us with  
 Al - pha and O - me - ga be; end of faith, as  
 serve thee as thy hosts a - bove, pray, and praise thee  
 till in heav'n we take our place, till we cast our

thy sal - va - tion, en - ter ev - 'ry trem - bling heart.  
 its be - gin - ning, set our hearts at lib - er - ty.  
 with - out ceas - ing, glo - ry in thy per - fect love.  
 crowns be - fore thee, lost in won - der, love, and praise!

## Postlude

*Toccata (from Symphony No. 5)*

Charles-Marie Widor

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## Worship Support

*The ministry of the church is carried out by all of its people, and Christian worship is a communal activity of the whole assembly. We give thanks to the following for their worship leadership and support today.*

Presiding Minister and Preacher:	<b>Pastor Chris Repp</b>
Assisting Minister:	<b>Helen Repp</b>
Reader:	<b>Jeff Bernards</b>
Altar Care:	<b>Ruth Anderson</b>
Organist:	<b>Mary Bahnfleth</b> <b>William Bahnfleth</b>
Sound Technician:	<b>Kevin Vail</b>
Office Assistant:	<b>Lyla Vipinraj</b>

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## Bonnie L. Hummel

Bonnie L. Hummel, 89, of Champaign, IL passed away in her home of 60 years on July 22, 2021. She was born in the Wellington Hotel, Blue Earth, MN, to Gilbert and Helen Bernards on December 24, 1931, “the most beautiful Christmas ever,” according to her mother. She grew up with her three siblings in the hotel, her family’s business, and pitched in by waiting tables, typing menus, and penning bus passenger lists. She graduated from Blue Earth High School in 1949 and completed a two-year degree at Saint Cloud State Teachers College. She taught elementary school in Delavan, MN until her marriage to John P. Hummel on August 29, 1953.

The couple moved to California for John’s graduate studies and started a family. In 1956 they relocated to Urbana, IL. After many years of caring for her family as an at-home mother, Bonnie went back to school, graduating from the University of Illinois in 1972 with a bachelor’s degree in elementary education. She taught in the Champaign Unit 4 School District at Garden Hills, Kenwood, and Westview elementary schools. She primarily taught fourth grade and especially enjoyed teaching math. During her teaching career she completed a master’s degree, also at the University of Illinois, and mentored numerous student teachers.

Bonnie was a member of Grace Lutheran Church where she was a stalwart member of the choir for over 60 years. She loved “good, strong hymns” and powerful organ music. She was active in the women’s organization at Grace, WELCA, with whom she organized and served many funeral meals to families in their times of need. Bonnie treasured friendships made at church, in the neighborhood, among colleagues, and with a potluck group started in the 1950s that met regularly for decades.

Bonnie considered her greatest accomplishment to be raising a family with John. She was proud of the achievements of her children and grandchildren, but also appreciated their unique personalities and subtle gifts. She particularly enjoyed family vacations at the lake in Minnesota and was always up for just about any game played with kids and grandkids. She loved to play cards, and was an excellent bridge and cribbage player. Sports played a significant role in her life; Bonnie played softball in her youth and golf throughout her life. As a spectator, she was a supportive mom and grandma, watching countless tennis matches and basketball games.

Bonnie is survived by her husband, John P. Hummel; her sister Dona Kornbaum of Brookings, SD; her children Glenn (Linda) Hummel of Valparaiso, IN; Paul (Carla) Hummel of Las Vegas, NV; Thomas Hummel (Shelly Reiten) of Savoy, IL; and Mary (William) Bahnfleth of State College, PA. Also surviving are her grandchildren Patrick Hummel, Christina Hummel (Jeff Fardink), Robbie Hummel, Dan Hummel, Charlotte Bahnfleth (Nate Stevens), Anna Bahnfleth (Ryan Blake), Emma Hummel, and great-grandson Emmett Fardink. She was preceded in death by her parents and her brothers Marwin “Marv” Bernards and Wallace “Gunnar” Bernards.

Memorials may be directed to Grace Lutheran Church, 313 S Prospect Ave., Champaign, IL 61820; Camp Knutson, 11148 Manhattan Point Blvd, Crosslake, MN 56442; or the charity of one’s choice.

Arrangements are under the care of Morgan Memorial Home of Savoy. A memorial service will be held at Grace Lutheran Church, Champaign, IL on October 23, 2021 at 11:00 am, subject to public health protocols.



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