



To remember and to thank God for the life of

**Helen Jean (Riechert) Roup**

September 28, 1927–December 27, 2021

January 21, 2022 | 11 a.m.

## Prelude

Andrew Peters, organist

## Welcome

## Gathering

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the source of all mercy and the God of all consolation, who comforts us in all our sorrows so that we can comfort others in their sorrows with the consolation we ourselves have received from God.

## 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.

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.**

## Solo

“How Great Thou Art”

Kristin Gornstein, mezzo-soprano

## 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

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

## A Life Remembered

## Hymn

ELW 781: **Children of the Heavenly Father**



- 1 Chil - dren of the heav'n-ly Fa - ther safe - ly in his bo - som gath - er;
- 2 God his own doth tend and nour-ish, in his ho - ly courts they flour - ish.
- 3 Nei - ther life nor death shall ev - er from the Lord his chil - dren sev - er;
- 4 Though he giv - eth or he tak-eth, God his chil-dren ne'er for - sak - eth;



nest - ling bird nor star in heav - en such a ref - uge e'er was giv - en.  
From all e - vil things he spares them, in his might - y arms he bears them.  
un - to them his grace he show - eth, and their sor - rows all he know - eth.  
his the lov - ing pur - pose sole - ly to pre - serve them pure and ho - ly.

Text: Carolina Sandell Berg, 1832–1903; tr. Ernst W. Olson, 1870–1958

Music: TRYGGARE KAN INGEN VARA, Swedish folk tune

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## Readings

Psalm 23

<sup>1</sup>The Lord is my shepherd;  
I shall not be in want.

<sup>2</sup>**The Lord makes me lie down in green pastures  
and leads me beside still waters.**

<sup>3</sup>You restore my soul, O Lord,  
and guide me along right pathways for your name's sake.

**<sup>4</sup>Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall fear no evil;  
for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.**

<sup>5</sup>You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies;  
you anoint my head with oil, and my cup is running over.

**<sup>6</sup>Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life,  
and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.**

Colossians 3:12–17

A reading from Colossians.

<sup>12</sup>As God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience. <sup>13</sup>Bear with one another and, if anyone has a complaint against another, forgive each other; just as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. <sup>14</sup>Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. <sup>15</sup>And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in the one body. And be thankful. <sup>16</sup>Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly; teach and admonish one another in all wisdom; and with gratitude in your hearts sing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs to God. <sup>17</sup>And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

## Gospel

John 14:1–7

The holy gospel according to John. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Jesus said to the disciples: <sup>1</sup>“Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. <sup>2</sup>In my Father's house there are many dwelling places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? <sup>3</sup>And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. <sup>4</sup>And you know the way to the place where I am going.” <sup>5</sup>Thomas said to him, “Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?” <sup>6</sup>Jesus said to him, “I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. <sup>7</sup>If you know me, you will know my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him.”

The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

## Sermon

Pastor Ann Hultquist

## Solo

“Amazing Grace”

Kristin Gornstein, mezzo-soprano

## Apostles' Creed

**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

*To each petition the assembly responds:*  
God of mercy, **hear our prayer.**

## 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.**

## Commendation

Let us commend Jean to the mercy of God, our maker and redeemer.  
*Silence is kept.*

Into your hands, holy God, we commend our sister Jean. In this life, through the waters of baptism, you embraced her with your tender love; now bid her to enter eternal rest. Welcome her into your paradise, where there will be no more sorrow, no weeping or pain, but where she will enjoy the fullness of peace and joy in your presence, forever and ever. **Amen.**

## Hymn

## ELW 638: Blessed Assurance



- 1 Bless-ed as-sur-ance, Je-sus is mine! Oh, what a fore-taste of glo-ry di-vine!  
2 Per-fect sub-mis-sion, per-fect de-light, vi-sions of rap-ture now burst on my sight;  
3 Per-fect sub-mis-sion, all is at rest; I in my Sav-ior am hap-py and blest,



Heir of sal - va - tion, pur - chase of God, born of his Spir - it, washed in his blood.  
an - gels de - scend - ing bring from a - bove ech - oes of mer - cy, whis - pers of love.  
watch - ing and wait - ing, look - ing a - bove, filled with his good - ness, lost in his love.

*Refrain*



This is my sto - ry, this is my song, prais-ing my Sav - ior all the day long:



this is my sto - ry, this is my song, prais-ing my Sav-ior all the day long.

Text: Fanny J. Crosby, 1820–1915

Music: ASSURANCE, Phoebe P. Knapp, 1830–1908

## Sending

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

## Postlude



## “Jean’s Clematis Vine”

**You are invited** to greet the family  
at a reception in Fellowship Hall  
following the service.

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# Helen Jean Roup

September 28, 1927–December 27, 2021

Helen Jean Roup, 94, passed away December 27, 2021 in Aurora, Colorado. Jean was the wife of Norman Roup; mother of Todd and Gary Roup, and Jodie (Jeb) Dickey; grandmother of Tanner, Braylon, Edward, and Steven Roup, and Eric, Travis, and Tyler Dickey. Jean was preceded in death by her husband Norman, granddaughter, Megan Dickey, and six siblings, Carl, Dave, Mary, Lydia, Herman, and Dorothy.

Jean was born September 28, 1927 in Brush, Colorado, to Carl and Amalie Reichert. Her parents were German tenant farmers, immigrating through Galveston, Texas, from the Volga River region in Russia. Brother Carl was killed on Papua New Guinea during WWII, decorated with the Bronze Star and Purple Heart.

Jean's young life was spent attending school, Immanuel German Congregational Church, and working on the farm. During her high school years, she worked as a lab assistant at Eben Ezer Hospital in Brush. She graduated from Brush High School in 1945, and attended Doane College in Nebraska. She then moved to Denver and began work as a bookkeeper for Stearns-Roger. She met her husband Norman in Denver, and they were married June 16, 1951, at Messiah Lutheran Church. After establishing their family, Jean worked as a bookkeeper, then branched out to own and operate a design business, Jean's Interiors, and later, JR Sales, representing golf and tennis wear. She and Norman enjoyed travels to Canada, New England, and Hawaii, and throughout Colorado and the southwest, and took many golf trips with friends. Early in their married life, they formed lifelong friendships



as part of the “bridge club that doesn't play bridge.” Norman passed away in 1997.

Jean continued playing golf and running her sales business. After several years, she found a dear friend in Jim Atkinson. She treasured attending church with Jim, and sharing gatherings with his children and grandchildren, who graciously included her

in their lives. Their travels included trips to Alaska, Hawaii, and the Mediterranean.

Jean and Norman were members of Augustana Lutheran Church, and early, longtime members of Valley Country Club. Jean volunteered as a Cub Scout den mother and with the junior golf program at Valley CC. She was a happy mother, wife, gardener, cook, golfer, traveler, friend, Christian. She loved us well, and lived an exemplary life!

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## Interment

Crown Hill Cemetery  
Lakewood, Colorado  
Friday, January 22, 3 p.m.

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