

# A Remembrance of the Life of



**Louise McKenzie**

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**St. Martin-in-the-Fields Episcopal Church**

**Keller, Texas**

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**2:00 pm**

## OPENING SENTENCES

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.

## PRAYER

Page 493, Book of Common Prayer

*Celebrant*     The Lord be with you.  
*People*        **And also with you.**  
*Celebrant*     Let us pray.

O God of grace and glory, we remember before you this day our sister Louise. 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.**

## THE PSALM

Psalm 23, Dominus regit me

The Lord is my shepherd;  
I shall not want.

He maketh me to lie down in green  
pastures: he leadeth me beside the  
still waters.

He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me  
in the paths of righteousness for his  
name's sake.

Yea, though I walk through the valley  
of the shadow of death, I will fear no  
evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and

thy staff they comfort me.

Thou preparest a table before me in  
the presence of mine enemies: thou  
anointest my head with oil; my cup  
runneth over.

Surely goodness and mercy shall  
follow me all the days of my life:  
and I will dwell in the house of  
the Lord for ever.

## REMEMBRANCES

### GOSPEL HYMN 24

*The day thou gavest, Lord, is ended*

St. Clement



1 The day thou gav - est, Lord, is end - ed, the dark - ness  
2 We thank thee that thy Church, un - sleep - ing while earth rolls  
3 As o'er each con - ti - nent and is - land the dawn leads  
4 So be it, Lord; thy throne shall nev - er, like earth's proud

falls at thy be - hest; to thee our morn - ing hymns a -  
on - ward in - to light, through all the world her watch is  
on an - oth - er day, the voice of prayer is nev - er  
em - pires, pass a - way; thy king - dom stands, and grows for

scend - ed, thy praise shall sanc - ti - fy our rest.  
keep - ing, and rests not now by day or night.  
si - lent, nor dies the strain of praise a - way.  
ev - er, till all thy crea - tures own thy sway.

Words: John Ellerton (1826-1893). Music: *St. Clement*, Clement Cottevill Scholefield (1839-1904).

## THE HOLY GOSPEL

John 11:21-27

*Clergy*  
*People*

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John  
**Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Martha said to Jesus, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother, Lazarus, would not have died. But even now I know that God will give you whatever you ask of him." Jesus said to her, "Your brother will rise again." Martha said to him, "I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day." Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?" She

said to him, "Yes, Lord, I believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, the one coming into the world."

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

**HOMILY**

The Rev. Alan D. Bentrup

**THE APOSTLES' CREED**

*Celebrant*

In the assurance of eternal life given at Baptism, let us proclaim our 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.**

**INTERCESSIONS**

For our sister Louise, let us pray to our Lord Jesus Christ who said, "I am Resurrection and I am Life." Lord, you consoled Martha and Mary in their distress; draw near to us who mourn for Louise and dry the tears of those who weep.

**Hear us, Lord.**

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

**Hear us, Lord.**

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

**Hear us, Lord.**

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

**Hear us, Lord.**

Our sister was washed in Baptism and anointed with the Holy Spirit; give her fellowship with all your saints.

**Hear us, Lord.**

She was nourished with your Body and Blood; grant her a place at the table in your heavenly kingdom.

**Hear us, Lord.**

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

*Silence may be kept.*

*The Celebrant concludes with following prayer*

Lord Jesus Christ, we commend to you our sister Louise, who was reborn by water and the Spirit in Holy Baptism. Grant that her death may recall to us your victory over death, and be an occasion for us to renew our trust in your Father's love. Give us, we pray, the faith to follow where you have led the way; and where you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, to the ages of ages. **Amen.**

#### **COMMENDATION**

Give rest, O Christ, to your servant with your saints,  
***where sorrow and pain are no more,  
neither sighing, but life everlasting.***

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.

***Give rest, O Christ, to your servant with your saints,  
where sorrow and pain are no more,  
neither sighing, but life everlasting.***

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

Everyone the Father gives to me will come to me; I will never turn away anyone who believes in me.

He who raised Jesus Christ from the dead will also give new life to our mortal bodies through his indwelling Spirit. My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spirit rejoices; my body also shall rest in hope.

You will show me the path of life; in your presence there is fullness of joy, and in your right hand are pleasures for evermore.

*Celebrant*     The Lord be with you.

*People*        **And also with you.**

*Celebrant*     Let us pray.

**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.**

*Celebrant* Rest eternal grant to her, O Lord;  
*People* **And light perpetual shine upon her.**  
*Celebrant* May her soul, and the souls of all the departed,  
 through the mercy of God, rest in peace. **Amen.**  
*Celebrant*

The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of everlasting covenant: Make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight; through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory for ever and ever. **Amen.**

## DISMISSAL

*Celebrant* Alleluia. Christ is risen  
*People* **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.**  
*Celebrant* Let us go forth in the name of Christ.  
*People* **Thanks be to God.**

## PROCESSIONAL HYMN

### *Going Home*



1. Go - ing home, go - ing home, I'm just go - ing home.  
 2. Morn - ing Star lights the way; Rest - less dream all done;  
 Qui - et - like, slip a - way - I'll be go - ing home.  
 Sha - dows gone, break of dav. Life has iust be - gun.  
 It's not far, just close by; Je - sus is the Door;  
 Ev - 'ry tear wiped a - way, Pain and sick - ness gone;  
 Work all done, laid a - side, Fear and grief no more.  
 Wide a - wake there with Him! Peace goes on and on!

WORDS: William Arms Fisher and Ken Bible  
 MUSIC: Antonin Dvorak; arr. by Ken Bible



***In lieu of flowers, a donation may be made in Louise's memory to:***

*St. Martin-in-the-Fields Episcopal Church Memorial Garden Fund*

*or to*

*The American Cancer Society*