Gathering Table
a Faith Community
in the Anglican Church of Canada



Funeral Service for Dorothy Ruth Cook (Watt)

September 22, 1924 – December 10th, 2021

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August 12th, 2022

11:00 a.m.

Presider and Preacher: Fr. Gordon Holroyd **Organist**: Sandra Cosby **Music**: Gathering Table Singers

For thousands of years, First Nations people have walked on this land; relationship with the land is at the centre of life and spirituality. We are gathered as treaty people on the traditional territory of the Anishnaabeg of the Fort William First Nation and acknowledge this people's stewardship of this land through the ages.

Walk in to Resurrection Promises BAS page 589

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 is committed to me in faith, shall not die for ever.

John 11.25-26

Let not your hearts be troubled; believe in God, believe also in me. In 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? And when 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.

John 14.1–3

I am sure that neither death, nor life,

nor angels, nor principalities,
nor things present, nor things to come,
nor powers, nor height, nor depth,
nor anything else in all creation,
will be able to separate us from the love of God
in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Romans 8.38–39

Welcoming Remarks

Opening Hymn CP 423 How Great Thou Art

Psalm 134

- ¹ If it had not been the LORD who was on our side —let Israel now say—
- ² if it had not been the LORD who was on our side, when our enemies attacked us,
- 3 then they would have swallowed us up alive, when their anger was kindled against us;
- 4 then the flood would have swept us away, the torrent would have gone over us; 5 then over us would have gone the raging waters.
- ⁶ Blessed be the LORD, who has not given us as prey to their teeth.
- ⁷We have escaped like a bird from the snare of the fowlers; the snare is broken, and we have escaped.

⁸ Our help is in the name of the LORD, who made heaven and earth.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen

Apostles' Creed

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Prayers: BAS page 593

Presider: Let us pray.

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.

All: Hear us, Lord.

Presider: May all who have been baptized into Christ's death and resurrection die to sin and rise to newness of life, and may we with him pass through the grave and gate of death to our joyful resurrection.

All: Hear us, Lord.

Presider: Grant to us who are still in our pilgrimage, and who walk as yet by faith, that your Holy Spirit may lead us in holiness and righteousness all our days.

All: Hear us, Lord.

Presider: Grant to your faithful people pardon and peace, that we may be cleansed from all our sins and serve you with a quiet mind.

All: Hear us, Lord.

Leader: Grant to all who mourn a sure confidence in your loving care, that casting all their sorrow on you,

they may know the consolation of your love.

All: Hear us, Lord.

Presider: Give courage and faith to those who are bereaved, that they may have strength to meet the days ahead in the comfort of a holy and certain hope, and in the joyful expectation of eternal life with those they love.

All: Hear us, Lord.

Presider: Grant us grace to entrust **Dorothy** to your never failing love which sustained **her** in this life. Receive **her** into the arms of your mercy, and remember **her** according to the favour you bear for your people.

All: Hear us, Lord.

The Readings:

1st Reading is from the Book of Revelation Revelation 21: 1 – 6a

The Word of the Lord Thanks be to God.

Reader: Robert Cook

Psalm 24 Reader: Sandy Cook

Presider: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John

All: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ

John 10: 11 - 16

¹¹ 'I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep.

¹² The hired hand, who is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away—and the wolf

snatches them and scatters them.

¹³ The hired hand runs away because a hired hand does not care for the sheep.

¹⁴ I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me,

¹⁵ just as the Father knows me and I know the Father. And I lay down my life for the sheep.

¹⁶ I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd.

Presider: The Gospel of Christ

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

Hymn: I Come to the Garden

Memories of Dorothy shared by family

Homily: **Fr. Gordon Holroyd**

Hymn: CP 531 On Eagles Wings

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Lord's Prayer

And now, as our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are bold to say, 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, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever.
Amen.

Commendation and Blessing

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Closing Hymn CP 352 Amazing Grace

The Blessing BAS page 595

Presider: The eternal God is your dwelling place

And underneath are the everlasting arms.

All: Blessed is the Lord,

Our strength and our salvation.

Process out to the Nunc Dimittis

Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace

We continue our celebration for Dorothy with food and fellowship.at the **Sargent's Funeral Home and Reception Centre** The interment will take place following the reception.

A thought from Dorothy:

"My understanding of life after death is in the way you touch everyone around you".



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Archbishop Anne's Motto for 2022

"So, if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new."

(2. Cor. 5.17)