The Rite of Burial in Celebration of the Life of



Anita Eerdmans Schwarz November 30, 1939 – January 30, 2023

Friday, February 3, 2023, 10:00 am Christ's Church, Rye

ANITA EERDMANS SCHWARZ NOVEMBER 30, 1939 – JANUARY 30, 2023

PRELUDE, Air on a G String

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

Please stand at the invitation of the Celebrant.

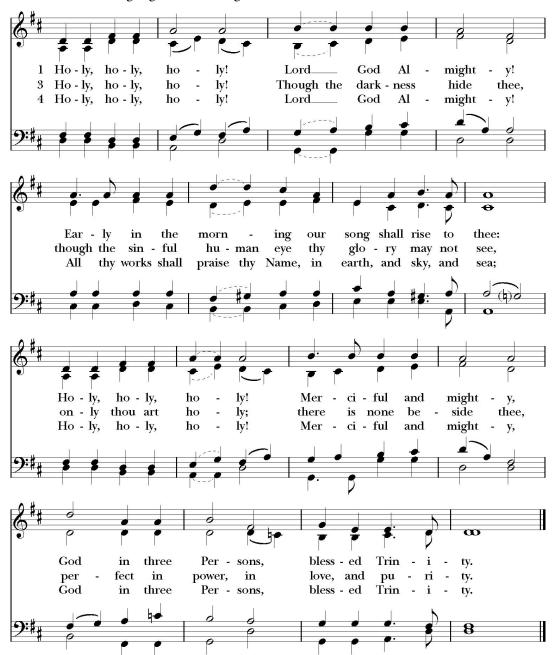
OPENING ANTHEM, spoken by the Celebrant

I am the resurrection and the life, saith the Lord; he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live; and whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die.

I know that my Redeemer liveth, and that he shall stand at the latter day upon the earth; and though this body be destroyed, yet shall I see God; whom I shall see for myself and mine eyes shall behold, and not as a stranger.

For none of us liveth to himself, and no man dieth to himself. For if we live, we live unto the Lord; and if we die, we die unto the Lord. Whether we live, therefore, or die, we are the Lord's.

Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord; even so saith the Spirit, for they rest from their labors.



Words: Reginald Heber (1783–1826), alt. Music: *Nicaea*, John Bacchus Dykes (1823–1876)

The Lord be with you.

And with thy spirit.

Let us pray.

O God, whose mercies cannot be numbered: Accept our prayers on behalf of thy servant Anita, and grant her an entrance into the land of light and joy, in the fellowship of thy saints; through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever **Amen**

Please be seated.

On this mountain the Lord of hosts will make for all peoples

- a feast of rich food, a feast of well-matured wines,
- of rich food filled with marrow, of well-matured wines strained clear.

And he will destroy on this mountain

- the shroud that is cast over all peoples,
- the sheet that is spread over all nations;

he will swallow up death for ever.

Then the Lord God will wipe away the tears from all faces,

and the disgrace of his people he will take away from all the earth,

for the Lord has spoken.

It will be said on that day,

Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him, so that he might save us.

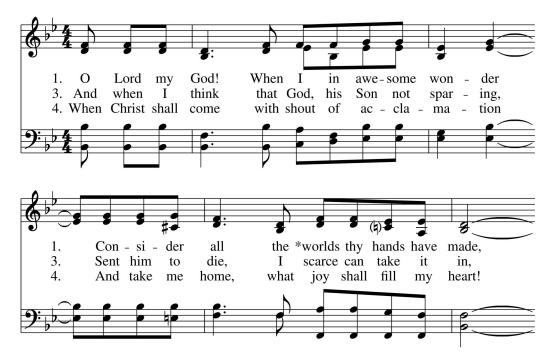
This is the Lord for whom we have waited;

let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.

REMEMBRANCE Adam Schwarz

HYMN, sung together, standing.

Traditional Swedish folk tune





Words: Stuart K. Hine.

Music: Traditional Swedish folk tune/adapt. by Stuart K. Hine.

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A READING FROM THE LETTER OF ST. PAUL TO THE ROMANS, 14:7-9, 10C-12 read by Tim Schwarz

We do not live to ourselves, and we do not die to ourselves. If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord; so then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's. For to this end Christ died and lived again, so that he might be Lord of both the dead and the living.

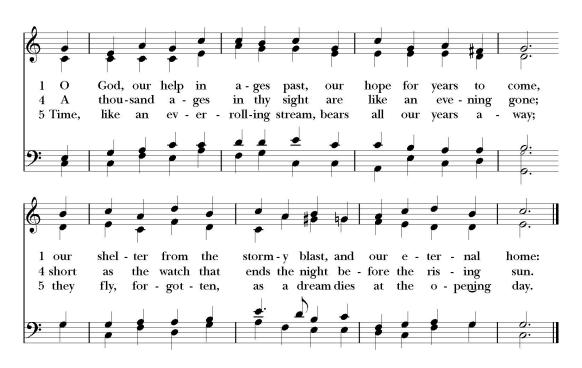
For we will all stand before the judgment seat of God. For it is written,

'As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bow to me, and every tongue shall give praise to God.'
So then, each of us will be accountable to God.

REMEMBRANCE Jenny Horne

HYMN 680 VS. 1, 4, 5 & 6, sung together, standing.

St. Anne



6 O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come,

be thou our guide while life shall last, and our eternal home.

THE GOSPEL OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST ACCORDING TO ST. JOHN, 6:37-40 read by The Rev. Dcn. Holly Galgano

Everything that the Father gives me will come to me, and anyone who comes to me I will never drive away; for I have come down from heaven, not to do my own will, but the will of him who sent me. And this is the will of him who sent me, that I should lose nothing of all that he has given me, but raise it up on the last day. This is indeed the will of my Father, that all who see the Son and believe in him may have eternal life; and I will raise them up on the last day.'

HOMILY

The Rev. Kate Malin, Rector

MUSIC, Laudate Dominum from Vesperae solennes de confessore KV339

Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart (1756-1791)

O praise the Lord, all ye nations: praise him, all ye people. For his merciful kindness is great toward us: and the truth of the Lord endureth for ever. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

THE NICENE CREED

In the assurance of eternal life given at Baptism, let us proclaim our faith and say, Officiant and People together

> We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son.

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

THE PRAYERS

led by PJ Schwarz and Christopher Woodthorpe

The People respond to every petition with Amen.

In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

Almighty God, who hast knit together thine elect in one communion and fellowship, in the mystical body of thy Son Christ our Lord: Grant, we beseech thee, to thy whole Church in paradise and on earth, thy light and thy peace.

Amen.

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

Amen.

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

Amen.

Grant to thy faithful people pardon and peace, that we may be cleansed from all our sins, and serve thee with a quiet mind.

Amen.

Grant to all who mourn a sure confidence in thy fatherly care, that, casting all their grief on thee, they may know the consolation of thy love.

Amen.

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

Amen.

Help us, we pray, in the midst of things we cannot understand, to believe and trust in the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, and the resurrection to life everlasting.

Amen.

Grant us grace to entrust Anita to thy never-failing love; receive her into the arms of thy mercy, and remember her according to the favor which thou bearest unto thy people.

Amen.

Grant that, increasing in knowledge and love of thee, she may go from strength to strength in the life of perfect service in thy heavenly kingdom.

Amen.

Grant us, with all who have died in the hope of the resurrection, to have our consummation and bliss in thy eternal and everlasting glory, and, with the ever-blessed Virgin Mary and all thy saints, to receive the crown of life which thou dost promise to all who share in the victory of thy Son Jesus Christ; who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

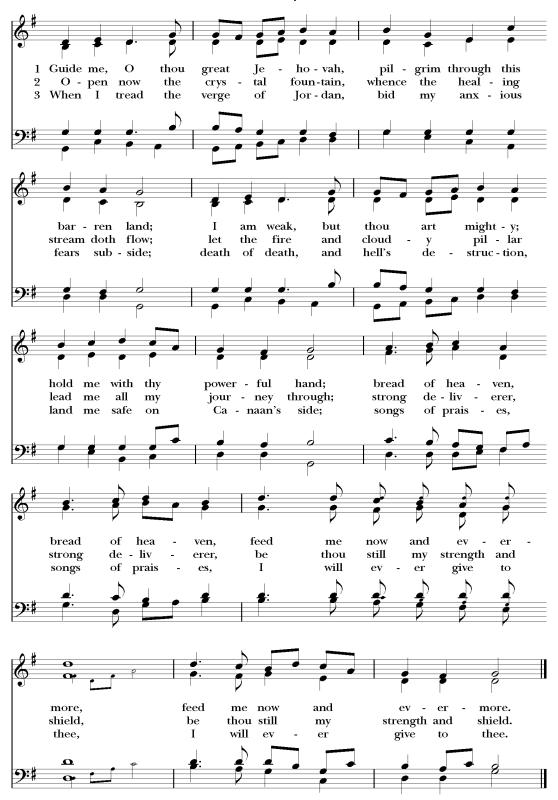
Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

As our Savior Christ hath 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, and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.

Verse 1: Vocal Quartet, acapella; Verses 2 & 3: All



THE COMMENDATION

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

Thou only art immortal, the creator and maker of mankind; and we are mortal, formed of the earth, and unto earth shall we return. For so thou didst ordain when thou createdst me, saying, "Dust thou art, and unto dust shalt thou return." All we go down to the dust; yet even at the grave we make our song: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

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

The Celebrant, facing the body, says

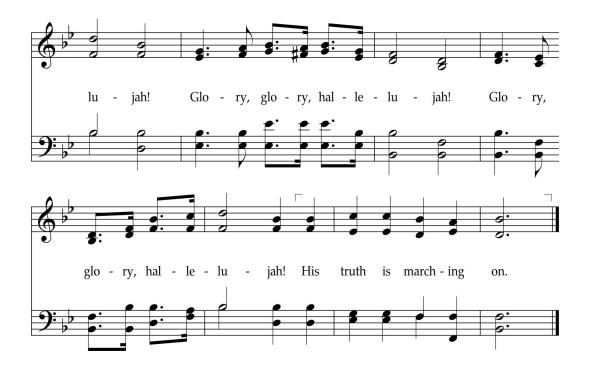
Into thy hands, O merciful Savior, we commend thy servant Anita. Acknowledge, we humbly beseech thee, a sheep of thine own fold, a lamb of thine own flock, a sinner of thine own redeeming. Receive her into the arms of thy mercy, into the blessed rest of everlasting peace, and into the glorious company of the saints in light. **Amen.**

THE BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

Thanks be to God





Words: Julia Ward Howe (1819-1910) Music: Battle Hymn of the Republic

Anita's family warmly invites you to a reception at The Westchester Country Club, 99 Biltmore Road, Rye, NY 10580 beginning at 12:00 noon. The family will join you after the interment.

In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation in Anita's memory to All Saints' Episcopal Church, 300 Harrison Ave., Harrison, NY, 10528 (www.allsaintsharrison.org)

The Alzheimer's Association of Hudson Valley (www.alz.org)

The liturgy for the dead is an Easter liturgy. It finds all meaning in the resurrection. Because Jesus was raised from the dead, we too, shall be raised.

The liturgy, therefore, is characterized by joy, in the certainty 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."

This joy, however, does not make human grief unchristian. The very love we have for each other in Christ brings deep sorrow when we are parted by death. Jesus himself wept at the grave of his friend. So, while we rejoice that one we love has entered into the nearer presence of our Lord, we sorrow in sympathy with those who mourn.

PARTICIPANTS

Celebrant: The Rev. Kate Malin

Deacon: The Rev. Dcn. Holly Galgano

Director of Music & Organist: Dr. Evelyn DeGraf

Soprano: Malina Malkani

Alto: Barbara Zay

Tenor: Matt Zay

Bass: Stephen Bruce

Violin: Emanouil Manolov

Trumpet: Tom Smith

Verger: Cris Thorne

Assistant Verger: Cris Thorne, Jr.









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