

Peace Lutheran Church
Sussex, Wisconsin

Funeral Service

10:30 a.m. April 5, 2025

Mary Lou Heise (nee' Helgeson)

Born: March 5, 1941 / Baptized: April 27, 1941

Confirmed: May 8, 1955 / Romans 8:28 Confirmation Verse

Died: March 27, 2025

Hymn

“I Walk in Danger All the Way”

716

Stand

Invocation

P: In the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

Remembrance of Baptism *prayed responsively with the pastor*

P: In Holy Baptism Mary Lou was clothed with the robe of Christ's righteousness that covered all her sin. St. Paul says: “Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into His death?”

C: We were therefore buried with Him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of 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 funeral pall is placed on the casket as a symbol of Christ's righteousness that covers the baptized faithful.

P: Lord, have mercy upon us.

**C: Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.**

Psalm 23 *prayed responsively*

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 forever.

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

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray. Gracious Lord, we give You thanks for the days of earthly life You granted to Mary Lou, for the grace bestowed in Christ Jesus, for her adoption and rebirth in Holy Baptism, and for all the good she was permitted to receive and to give. We entrust her to Your mercy and pray for the sustaining comfort of Your Holy Spirit; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

Sit

Hymn

“A Mighty Fortress Is Our God”

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Old Testament Reading

Job 19:23-27

Job confesses his faith in Christ and the resurrection of the body.

Epistle

Romans 8:18-30

The hope of future glory in Christ

Hymn

“From God Can Nothing Move Me”

713

Stand

Holy Gospel

John 11:17-27

Jesus is the resurrection and the life.

Apostles' Creed *confessed together from the inside back cover of the hymnal*

Sit

Hymn "Jesus, Priceless Treasure" — Stanzas 1-4 **743**

Sermon

Hymn "How Great Thou Art" **801**

Stand

Prayer after each petition of the prayers:

P: Lord, in Your mercy.

C: hear our prayer.

Lord's Prayer

Nunc Dimittis sung from *Divine Service Setting 3* **199**

Antiphon of the resurrection sung by the pastor before and after the canticle:

P: "I am the resurrection and the life," | says the Lord.*

"He who believes in Me will live, even | though he dies;
and whoever lives and be- | lieves in Me*
will | never die." *John 11:25-26*

**C: Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace
According to Thy word,
for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation,
which Thou hast prepared before the face of all people,
a light to lighten the Gentiles
and the glory of Thy people Israel.
Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen.**

Benediction

P: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.

The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you ✠ peace.

C: Amen.

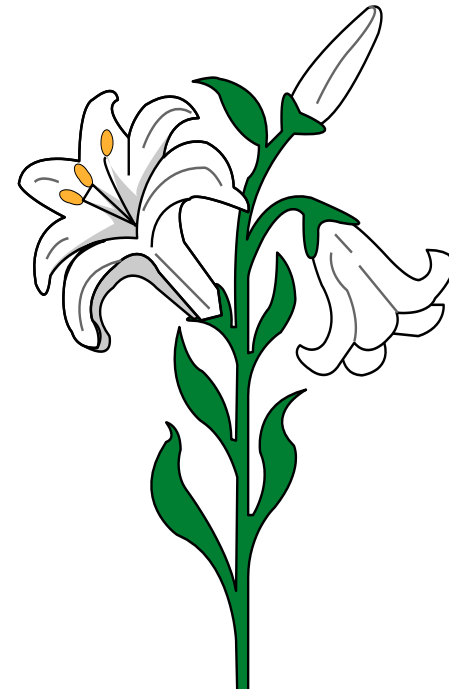
Hymn "Jesus, Priceless Treasure" — Stanzas 5-6 **743**

*We travel in procession to Pinelawn Memorial Park on Capitol & Hwy 100.
Please come to the luncheon at Peace following the committal service at 12:30.*

Officiant: Rev. Peter C. Bender, Pastor

Organist: Kathy May

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*Interment following the Service
at Pinelawn Memorial Park, Milwaukee*

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