

*I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills,  
from whence cometh my help.  
My help cometh from the*

**Lord,**

*which made heaven and earth.*

PSALM 121:1-2



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## A Service Celebrating the Life of Georgia May Adkins

Born: August 19, 1927 † Died: September 28, 2020

Friday, October 16, 2020  
11:00 a.m.



### Prelude

### GATHERING

Welcome in the name of Jesus, the Savior of the world.  
We are gathered to worship, to proclaim Christ crucified  
and risen, to remember before God our sister Georgia,  
to give thanks for her life, to commend her to our merciful  
redeemer, and to comfort one another in our grief.

### 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.

All who are baptized into Christ have put on Christ. In her  
baptism, Georgia was clothed with Christ. In the day of  
Christ's coming, she shall be clothed with glory.

### Hymn

**"My Faith Looks Up to Thee"**

**ELW 759  
vs. 1, 3**

My faith looks up to thee,  
thou Lamb of Calvary,  
Savior divine!  
Now hear me while I pray,  
take all my guilt away,  
oh, let me from this day  
be wholly thine!

While life's dark maze I tread  
and griefs around me spread,  
be thou my guide;  
bid darkness turn to day,  
wipe sorrow's tears away,  
nor let me ever stray  
from thee aside.

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### 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

Almighty God, source of all mercy and giver of comfort,  
graciously tend those who mourn, that, casting all our  
sorrow on you, we may know the consolation of your love;  
through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

### WORD

#### Reading

**John 3:16**

**Reader: Amber Westman**

16 "For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so  
that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may  
have eternal life.

Word of God, Word of Life  
*Thanks be to God*

#### Reading

**Psalms 23**

**Reader: Jennifer Guerin**

1 The LORD is my shepherd, I shall not want.  
2 He makes me lie down in green pastures;  
he leads me beside still waters;  
3 he restores my soul.  
He leads me in right paths  
for his name's sake.  
4 Even though I walk through the darkest valley,  
I fear no evil;

for you are with me;  
your rod and your staff—  
they comfort me.  
5 You prepare a table before me  
in the presence of my enemies;  
you anoint my head with oil;  
my cup overflows.  
6 Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me  
all the days of my life,  
and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD  
my whole life long.

Word of God, Word of Life  
*Thanks be to God*

### Time for Memories

Kim Pfoser  
Jerry Wille

### Special Music

**"Georgia on My Mind"**  
Carmichael/Gorrell  
Performed by: Jon de Vaal

The Holy Gospel according to St. John,  
*Glory to you, O Lord.*

### Gospel

John 14:1-6, 27

1 "Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. 2 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? 3 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. 4 And you know the way to the place where I am going." 5 Thomas said to him, "Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?" 6 Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. 27 Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid.

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

### Meditation

Pastor John

### Hymn

**"In The Garden"**

Miles  
vs. 1, 3

I come to the garden alone  
While the dew is still on the roses  
And the voice I hear falling on my ear  
The Son of God discloses

*Chorus*  
And He walks with me  
And He talks with me  
And He tells me I am His own  
And the joy we share as we tarry there  
None other has ever known

I'd stay in the garden with Him  
Tho' the night around me be falling  
But He bids me go thro' the voice of woe  
His voice to me is calling *Chorus*

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### Prayers of Intercession

Let us pray to our Lord Jesus Christ who said,  
"I am the resurrection and the life."

*Petition response:*

Pastor: ... God of mercy,  
People: **hear our prayer.**

### The Lord's Prayer

### SENDING

### Commendation

### Benediction

### Hymn

**"Going Home"**

Dvorak  
vs. 1, 2

Going home going home  
I'm just going home  
Quiet-like slip away

I'll be going home  
It's not far just close by  
Jesus is the Door  
Work all done laid aside  
Fear and grief no more  
Friends are there waiting now  
He is waiting too  
See His smile See His hand  
He will lead me through

Morning Star lights the way  
Restless dream all done  
Shadows gone break of day  
Life has just begun  
Every tear wiped away  
Pain and sickness gone  
Wide awake there with Him  
Peace goes on and on  
Going home going home  
I'll be going home  
See the Light See the Sun  
I'm just going home

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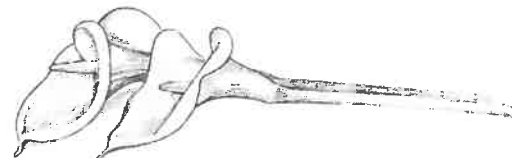
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### **Sending**

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

### **Postlude**



*We would like to thank everyone for their love and support.  
We realize how truly blessed we are to have such wonderful  
family and friends. Your expressions of sympathy  
will never be forgotten.*

*The Family of Georgia Adkins*