Lena Fisher February 26, 1932 ~ April 18, 2025



St. Helen's Anglican Church, West Point Grey Diocese of New Westminster

Prelude Pianist Dale Throness

Opening Remarks

The Rev. Mark Munn

Processional Hymn Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty CP 1

The Greeting

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

And also with you.

And by walking before thee

The General Thanksgiving

ALMIGHTY God, Father of all mercies,
We thine unworthy servants
do give thee most humble and hearty thanks
For all thy goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all people;
We bless thee for our creation, preservation,
and all the blessings of this life;
But above all for thine inestimable love
In the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ;
For the means of grace, and for the hope of glory.
And we beseech thee,
give us that due sense of all thy mercies,
That our hearts may be unfeignedly thankful,
And that we show forth thy praise,
Not only with our lips, but in our lives;
By giving up ourselves to thy service,

in holiness and righteousness all our days; Through Jesus Christ our Lord, To whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory, world without end. **Amen.**

Collect

Let us Pray:

O God, whose mercies cannot be numbered: Accept our prayers on behalf of your servant Lena, and grant her an entrance into the land of light and joy, in the fellowship of all your saints.

Deal graciously with those who mourn.
Surround them with your love,
that they may not be overwhelmed by their loss,
but have confidence in your goodness,
and strength to meet the days to come;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

First Reading Genesis 1:26-31

Second Reading I Corinthians 1:18 – 31

Eulogy

Gospel Reading John 13:1-17

The Apostles Creed

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.

Offertory Hymn What A Friend We Have in Jesus

CP 532

Prayer Over the Gifts

Creator of all,

we seek you anew in this season of grief, mourning, and contemplation,

and bring our offerings to you with humbled hearts.

We thank you for this bread and wine, gifts of your creation.

We thank you for Jesus: God with us. **Amen.**

Eucharistic Prayer

God is with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to God.

Let us give thanks to God our Creator.

We give our thanks and praise.

Creator, you made our world beautiful and good.
You made us to live in right relationship with you and all creation.
You sent Jesus to live among us and show us what you are like.
We give all thanks and praise to you, our true and loving God.
You laid the foundations of the earth and enclosed the seas.
You brought forth all creatures and gave breath to humankind.

Wondrous are you, Holy One.
All you create is a sign of hope for our journey.
And so, we join with the heavenly beings
and all of creation as we sing:

You are holy.
You are whole.
You are always evermore
than we ever understand.
You are always at hand.

Blessed are you coming near.
Blessed are you coming here,
to your church in wine and bread,
raised from soil, raised from dead.
You are holy.

You are wholeness.
You are present.
Let the cosmos praise you, Lord.
Sing Hosanna, in the highest!
Sing Hosanna!
Sing Hosanna to our God!

Glory and honour are yours, Creator of all, your Word has never been silent.

Of your grace, you sent Jesus to be human, to share our life, to proclaim the coming of your holy reign, and to give himself for us.

Through Jesus Christ you have reconciled us to you and restored the glory you intended for us.

On the night before he died, Jesus ate supper with his friends. He took bread, gave thanks, broke it, and gave it to them, saying: "Take and eat. This is my very self given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup of wine, again he gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying:
"Drink it all of you. This cup is a new covenant poured out for you and all people.
Do this for the remembrance of me."

And so, we remember: the cross, the tomb, the resurrection and ascension, and, longing for Christ's coming again in glory, we present these gifts to you.

Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts, so that we who share this bread and wine may be a people of hope, justice and love.

Draw us together in Christ, and, in the fullness of time, gather us with all your people into the joy of your eternal home.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, we worship you our God and Creator and give you our unending praise. **Amen**.

The Lord's Prayer

As our Saviour taught us, let us pray,
Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial,
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and for ever. Amen.

Breaking of the Bread:

Lord, we died with you on the cross.

Now we are raised to new life.

We were buried in your tomb.

Now we share in your resurrection.

Live in us, that we may live in you.

Invitation to Holy Communion

The gifts of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

The Commendation

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

You only are immortal, the creator and maker of all; 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 servants with your saints, where sorrow and pain are no more, neither sighing, but life everlasting.

Into your hands, O merciful Saviour, we commend your servant Lena.

Acknowledge, we pray, 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.

Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

Recessional Hymn The King of Love My Shepard Is

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The congregation is invited to process out to the memorial garden.

THE INTERMENT OF ASHES

All that the Father gives me will come to me, and whoever comes to me I will never cast out. JOHN 6:37

The One who raised Jesus Christ from the dead will also give new life to our mortal bodies through the Spirit who dwells within us.

ROMANS 8:11

Therefore my heart is glad and my soul rejoices.

My flesh also shall rest in hope.

PSALM 16:10

You shall show me the path of life; in your presence is the fullness of joy, and at your right hand there is pleasure for evermore.

PSALM 16:12

In sure and certain hope of the resurrection to eternal life through our Lord Jesus Christ, we commend to Almighty God our sister Lena, and we commit her body to its resting place; earth to earth, ashes to ashes, dust to dust.

The Lord bless her and keep her, the Lord make her face to shine upon her and be gracious unto her, the Lord lift up her countenance upon her and give her peace. **Amen.**

Almighty God,

with whom do live the spirits of those who depart in the Lord, and with whom the souls of the faithful are in joy and felicity: We praise and magnify your holy Name for all your servants who have finished their course and kept the faith; and committing our sister Lena to your gracious keeping, we pray that, together with her and with all those who are departed in the true faith of your holy Name, we may have our perfect consummation and bliss, both in body and soul, in your eternal and everlasting glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Rest eternal grant to her, O Lord.

And may light perpetual shine upon her.

May her soul,
And the souls of all the departed,
Through the mercy of God, rest in peace.
Amen.

The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great Shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do God's will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in God's sight; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

THE DISMISSAL

Alleluia, alleluia. Let us go forth in the Name of Christ. Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

Following the service, all are invited to proceed to the church hall for a reception.

Thank you for your attendance today and for all your kind messages of sympathy and support.