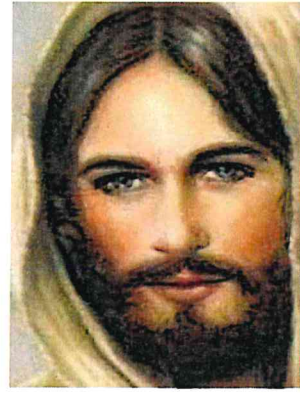


## Psalm 23



The LORD is my shepherd,

I shall not want.

He makes me lie down in

green pastures; he leads me beside still waters; he restores my soul.

He leads me in right paths for his name's sake.

Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I fear no evil; for you are with me; your rod and staff - they comfort me.

You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.

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. Amen

## CELEBRATION OF LIFE

### GREETING

### PRELUDE

*We take a quiet moment to prepare our hearts and minds to worship God.*

### GATHERING HYMN

### WELCOME

**P** Welcome in the Holy Name of Jesus, the Lord and Savior of the world. We are gathered to worship, to proclaim Jesus crucified and risen, to remember before God our Father our sister Dorothy, to give thanks for her life, to commend her to our merciful redeemer, and to comfort one another in our grief. All who are baptized into Jesus Christ have put on Christ. In her Holy Baptism, Dorothy was clothed with Jesus Christ. In the day of Christ's coming, she shall be clothed with glory!

**C** Amen!

### APOSTOLIC GREETING

**P** The grace of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, the love of God our Father, and the communion of The Holy Spirit be with you all!

**C** And also with you!

### PRAYER OF THE DAY

**P** Let us pray. O God our Father of grace and glory, we remember before you today our sister Dorothy. We thank you for giving her to us to know and to love as a companion in our pilgrimage on earth. Through the power of The Holy Spirit, console us who mourn. Grant us faith to see that death has been swallowed up in the victory of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, so that we may live in confidence and hope until, by your call, we are gathered to our heavenly home in the company of all of your saints; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord!

**C** Amen!

### EULOGY

**Jim Mowen**

### SPEAKERS

### SCRIPTURES HYMN

### PSALM 23

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### SERMON

**Pastor Dave Connell**

## THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

**P** Let us give thanks to the Lord God our Father, † Son and Holy Spirit!

**C** It is right to give the Lord our God thanks and praise!

**P** It is indeed right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to you, O Lord, Holy Father, through your Son Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord; who brought to light the living hope of a blessed resurrection, that, in our grief, we may rejoice in full assurance of our change into the likeness of His glory!

**C** Amen!

**P** In the night in which He was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to His disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is My Body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of Me!

**C** Amen!

**P** Again, after supper, He took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in My Blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of Me. For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes!

**C** Christ has died! Christ is risen! Christ will come again!

**P** Send now, we pray, The Holy Spirit, the spirit of our Lord and Savior Jesus and of His resurrection, that we who receive Jesus' precious Body and Blood may live to the praise of your glory and receive our inheritance with all your saints in light!

**C** Amen! Come, Holy Spirit!

## LORD'S PRAYER – SING

### INVITATION TO COMMUNION

**P** Come to the Banquet, for all is now ready!

**C** Thanks be to God!

*All Baptized Christians who believe in Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior are welcome at the Lord's Table. In it, we remember Him and we receive His continuing forgiving presence in our lives, along with His mercy, salvation, and promise of eternal life. If you wish to refrain from taking communion you are invited to come forward for a blessing.*



## HOLY COMMUNION HYMN

### TABLE BLESSING

**P** The Body and Blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ strengthen us and keep us in His grace now and forever!

**C** Amen!

### POST COMMUNION PRAYER

**P** Let us pray. We give you thanks, almighty God our Father, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life; and we pray that in your mercy, through the power of The Holy Spirit, you continue to strengthen us, through this gift, in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord!

**C** Amen!

### BLESSING & COMMITTIAL

**P** Into your hands, O merciful Lord and Savior Jesus, we commend your servant Dorothy. Acknowledge, we humbly beseech you, a sheep of your own fold, a lamb of your own flock, a sinner of your own redeeming. Receive Dorothy into the arms of your mercy, into the blessed rest of everlasting peace, and into the glorious company of all of your saints in light!

**C** Amen!

### SENDING HYMN

#### SENDING

**P** Continue to bring Christ to all people today and everyday! Go in Peace! Share Jesus' death and resurrection great good news!

**C** We will with thanks to GOD! Amen!

### POSTLUDE



*Celebration of Life Worship Service  
For  
Dorothy Jean Mowen  
May 10, 1936~March 5, 2025*

**Lesson: 1 Peter 1:3-9**

**Andrew Mowen**

**L** A Lesson from 1st Peter.

**L** <sup>3</sup>Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! By his great mercy he has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, <sup>4</sup>and into an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, <sup>5</sup>who are being protected by the power of God through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. <sup>6</sup>In this you rejoice, even if now for a little while you have had to suffer various trials, <sup>7</sup>so that the genuineness of your faith-- being more precious than gold that, though perishable, is tested by fire-- may be found to result in praise and glory and honor when Jesus Christ is revealed. <sup>8</sup>Although you have not seen him, you love him; and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and rejoice with an indescribable and glorious joy, <sup>9</sup>for you are receiving the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

**L** Word of God, word of life.

**C** Thanks be to God.

**Gospel: St. Matthew 11:25-30**

**Michael Mowen**

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew the 11th chapter.

**C** Glory to you, O Lord.

**L** <sup>11:25</sup> Jesus continued to teach the crowds saying, "I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the intelligent and have revealed them to infants; <sup>26</sup> yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. <sup>27</sup> All things have been handed over to me by my Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him. <sup>28</sup> "Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. <sup>29</sup> Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. <sup>30</sup> For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."

**P** The Gospel of the Lord.

**C** Praise to you, O Christ.

**Please join the family for lunch in the Fellowship Hall following  
the Celebration of Life.**

**Dorothy is survived by:**

**Sister:** Marcia Friesell (Jack)  
**Sister-in-Law:** Flo Thompson  
**Son:** Ed Mowen (Julie)  
**Son:** Jim Mowen (Shayo)  
**Daughter:** Terri Ferrier (Ed)

**Grandchildren:** Michael Mowen (Rebecca),  
Megan Mowen (Aaron Gee), Erik Ferrier (Ashley),  
Morgan Smith (Brandon), Scott Ferrier (Eugenia),  
Andrew Mowen

**Great Grandchildren:** Tatum Mowen, Kameron Sablon,  
Mason Mowen, Brody Smith, Ava Ferrier, Hadley Smith,  
Emmy Ferrier

**Dorothy was preceded in death by:**

**Husband:** Ed Mowen  
**Parents:** James & Ann Thompson  
**Brother:** Bill Thompson  
**Sister:** Carmen Hull

*The family would like to thank the wonderful nurses and staff at Cornerstone Hospice and Concierge Care for such loving care and attention over the last few weeks of Dorothy's life.*

**Donations in Dorothy's memory can be made to:**

**Christ Lutheran Church  
P.O. Box 693, Summerfield, FL 34492**

**Feed My Starving Children Fund  
Or  
CLC Mortgage Fund  
Or**

**St. Theresa Roman Catholic Church Food Pantry  
11528 US 301, Belleview, FL 34420**

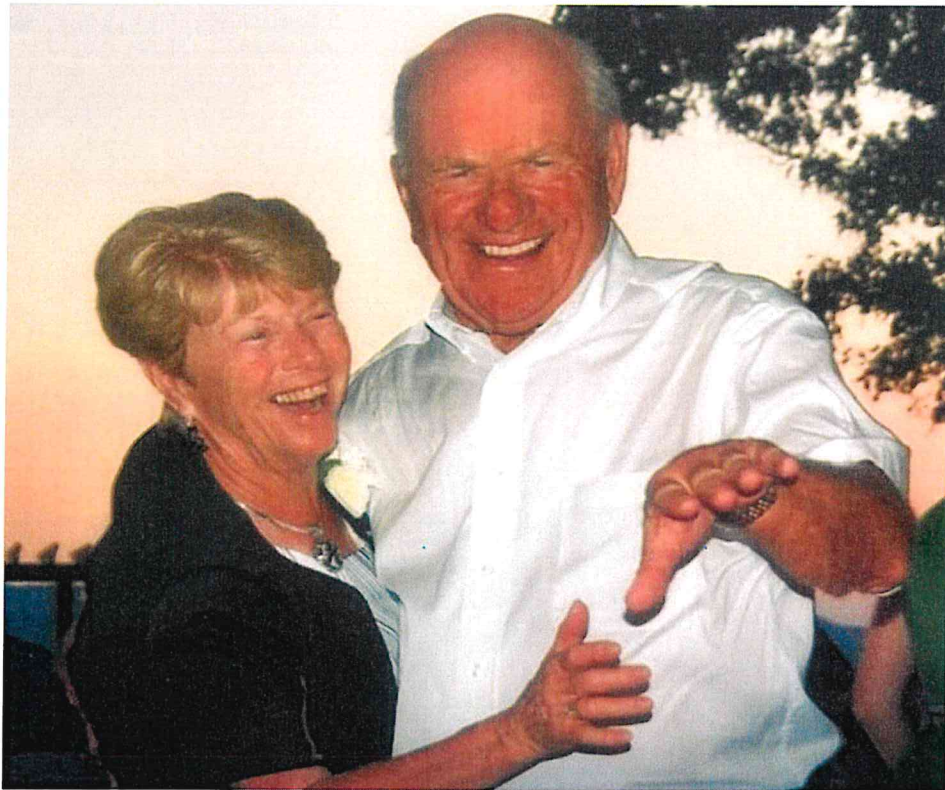
*Afterglow*  
*Anonymous*

*I'd like the memory of me to be  
a happy one.*

*I'd like to leave an afterglow of  
smiles when life is done.*

*I'd like to leave an echo whis-  
pering softly down the ways,  
Of happy times and laughing  
times and bright and sunny  
days.*

*I'd like the tears of those who  
grieve, to dry before the sun;  
Of happy memories that I leave  
when life is done.*



**END OF CONSTRUCTION  
THANK YOU FOR YOUR PATIENCE  
Ruth Graham**



*Music for Celebration of Life for Dorothy Mowen*

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|---|---------------------------|
| <i>Prelude (before Celebration)</i>               | <i>Bob Dunbar</i>         |
| <i>You Raise Me Up</i>                            | <i>Solo Jeff Gwaltney</i> |
| <i>What a Friend We Have in Jesus ELW 742</i>     | <i>Congregation</i>       |
| <i>On Eagle's Wing ELW 787</i>                    | <i>Congregation</i>       |
| <i>God Be With You Till We Meet Again ELW 536</i> | <i>Congregation</i>       |
| <i>Postlude (as people leave)</i>                 | <i>Bob Dunbar</i>         |

