

A Service of Celebration and Thanksgiving for the Life of

JOAN FRASIER

April 11, 1944 - February 9, 2021



Saturday, November 6, 2021
10 a.m.

ST. MARK'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH AND SCHOOL
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PALM BEACH GARDENS, FL 33410
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OPENING SENTENCES

Book of Common Prayer (BCP), p. 491

COLLECT

BCP, p. 493

FIRST READING (insert)

Lamentations 3:22-24

PSALM 139:1-17

BCP p. 794

SECOND READING (insert)

Romans 8:37-39

Celebrant: The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

People: **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

THE GOSPEL (insert)

John 14:1-6

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

REMEMBRANCES

Bob Frasier

HOMILY

The Rev. James B. Cook

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.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

For our sister, Joan, let us pray to our Lord Jesus Christ who said, "I am Resurrection and I am Life."

Lord, you consoled Martha and Mary in their distress; draw near to us who mourn for Joan, and dry the tears of those who weep. **Hear us, Lord.**

You wept at the grave of Lazarus, your friend; comfort us in our sorrow. **Hear us, Lord.**

You raised the dead to life; give to Joan eternal life. **Hear us, Lord.**

You promised paradise to the thief who repented; bring Joan to the joys of heaven. **Hear us, Lord.**

Joan was washed in Baptism and anointed with the Holy Spirit; give her fellowship with all your saints. **Hear us, Lord.**

Joan was nourished with your Body and Blood; grant her, a place at the table in your heavenly Kingdom. **Hear us, Lord.**

Comfort us in our sorrows at the death of Joan; let our faith be our consolation, and eternal life our hope. **Hear us, Lord.**

The Celebrant concludes with a prayer.

THE PEACE

OFFERTORY

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

BCP, p. 361

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

Celebrant: It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.... Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever say this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

People: **Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

Celebrant: Holy and gracious Father... Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

People: **Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

Celebrant: We celebrate the memorial of our redemption...all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and forever.

People: **AMEN.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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THE COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

We invite all baptized people, regardless of age or denomination, to share in the Holy Communion. If you are not baptized, you may cross your arms over your chest to receive a blessing.

POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

Almighty God, we thank you that in your great love you have fed us with the spiritual food and drink of the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ, and have given us a foretaste of your heavenly banquet. Grant that this Sacrament may be to us a comfort in affliction, and a pledge of our inheritance in that kingdom where there is no death, neither sorrow nor crying, but the fullness of joy with all your saints; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

THE COMMENDATION

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

Celebrant: You only are immortal, the creator and maker of mankind; 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.

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

Celebrant: Into your hands, O merciful Savior, we commend your servant Joan. Acknowledge, we humbly beseech you, 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.

People: Amen.

THE BLESSING

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Clergy - The Rev. James B. Cook

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Memorials in Joan's name may be made to:

St. Mark's Episcopal Church, 3395 Burns Rd. Palm Beach Gardens, FL. 33410
www.stmarkspb.org



LAMENTATIONS 3:22-24

The steadfast love of the LORD never ceases, his mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness. "The LORD is my portion," says my soul, "therefore I will hope in him."

ROMANS 8:37-39

No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, 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.

JOHN 14:1-5a

"Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. 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? 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. And you know the way to the place where I am going." Thomas said to him, "Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?" Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.

All Saints

On this day, we remember those who have died and have been buried from St. Mark's since All Saints' Day 2020. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace.

Glenn Hall

11/21/1941 - 7/6/2010

William Scott

1/28/1943 - 5/4/2015

Richard Villani

3/25/1951 - 3/15/2017

Annette Stubbs

2/7/1938 - 11/21/2020

Howard Cook

6/25/1925 - 11/29/2020

Joan Holloway Frasier

4/11/1944 - 2/9/2021

John Raymond Evasius

5/29/1972 - 3/8/2021

Donn R. Colee, Sr.

2/26/1927 - 3/9/2021

Glenn Bryant, Jr.

6/2/1932 - 3/18/2021

Roy Davidson

10/17/1950 - 4/12/2021

Judith Howard Trapp

8/10/1920 - 4/22/2021

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November 16, 2021

Dear Pauline,

It took a long time, but I was finally able to schedule a funeral for Joan. Life kept getting in the way, so we had to wait. In March, Joan's son Josh contracted Covid 19 and was hospitalized for 14 days in the ICU at St. Mary's Hospital in West Palm Beach. He came home on supplemental oxygen and needed time to focus on his recovery, which he says has gone well. I finally decided that Saturday, November 6 was the day. The following day the Episcopal Church celebrated the Feast of All Saints, and to me that seemed like an ideal time to celebrate Joan's life. The service was held in the Peace Chapel at St. Mark's Episcopal Church in Palm Beach Gardens. The service was simple, and it was lovely. At the conclusion, her ashes were interred in Isadore's Garden at the church on a lovely and cool fall day.

I thought you might like to have a copy of the bulletin, featuring my absolute favorite photo of Joan. It was one I took of her on an early fall day at Falling Water, the Frank Lloyd Wright home near Pittsburgh, probably in 1988 before we married. She took one of me that is my all time favorite photo of me.

I miss her, and suppose I always will. But one of these fine days we'll meet again in Paradise.

Thank you for being her loyal friend over the years. I hope you know that she loved you and highly valued your friendship.

Sincerely,

Best regards
Bob