

Memorial Service

Janice Fernow

April 11, 1930 – February 2, 2025



Janice Fernow

(1930-2025)

Janice Fernow, 94, of Clearwater, Florida passed away peacefully in the presence of her daughter, Tamara Rowe, and granddaughter, Charlotte Rowe, on February 2, 2025.

Janice was born on April 11th, 1930, in St. Mary's, Ohio, the daughter of Edward and Iris (Henschen) Kuns. Her beloved twin sister Joan accompanied her into the world. Janice attended Paulding High School before enrolling at Lutheran Hospital Nursing School in Fort Wayne, Indiana, where she graduated as valedictorian. She was an active member of PEO Chapter FO for over 40 years and an active member of St. Paul's Lutheran Church since 1963.

Janice was an avid letter writer who loved making handmade cards using pressed leaves and flowers that she collected during vacations and walks. She loved traveling and entertaining and had a song for every occasion. She cared deeply for others and had a positive outlook on life that brought joy to those who knew her.

Janice is preceded in death by her sister Joan, her husband Paul, her brother Bill, her sister Sarah (Sally), and her daughter-in-law, Karen. She is survived by her son Eddie, her daughter Tamara, her granddaughters Charlotte, Abigail, and Miranda, and her great-grandsons William and Otto.

Janice's Celebration of Life will be held on Saturday, May 17th at St. Paul's Lutheran Church, gathering at St. John's Episcopal Church, 1676 South Belcher Road, Clearwater, Florida, 33764. Any donations in her honor can be made to the Janice Fernow Memorial Fund at St. Paul's and to PEO Chapter FO.

PRELUDE: Born-ing Cry – ELW 732



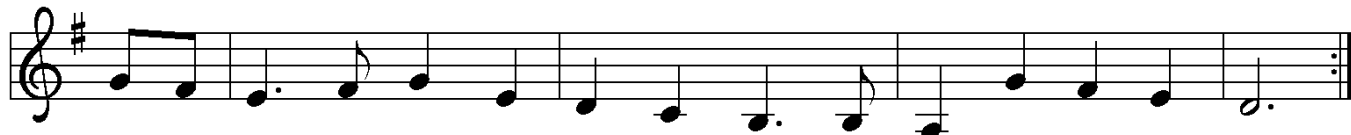
- 1 "I was there to hear your born-ing cry, I'll be there when you are old.
- 2 "When you heard the won-der of the Word I was there to cheer you on;
- 3 "In the mid-dle a - ges of your life, not too old, no lon - ger young,



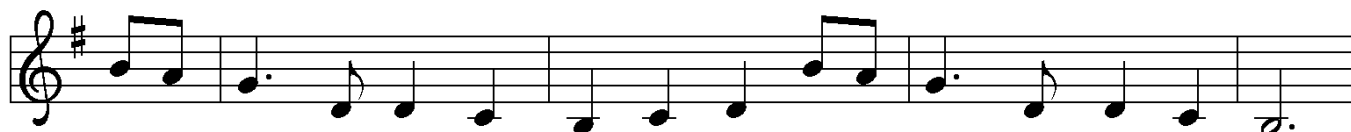
I re - joiced the day you were bap-tized to see your life un - fold.
you were raised to praise the liv - ing Lord, to whom you now be - long.
I'll be there to guide you through the night, com-plete what I've be - gun.



I was there when you were but a child, with a faith to suit you well;
If you find some-one to share your time and you join your hearts as one,
When the eve - ning gent - ly clos - es in and you shut your wea - ry eyes,



in a blaze of light you wan-dered off to find where de-mons dwell."
I'll be there to make your vers - es rhyme from dusk till ris - ing sun."
I'll be there as I have al - ways been, with just one more sur - prise."



- 4 "I was there to hear your born-ing cry, I'll be there when you are old.



I re - joiced the day you were bap-tized to see your life un - fold."

Text: John C. Ylvisaker, b. 1937
Music: WATERLIFE, John C. Ylvisaker
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GATHERING

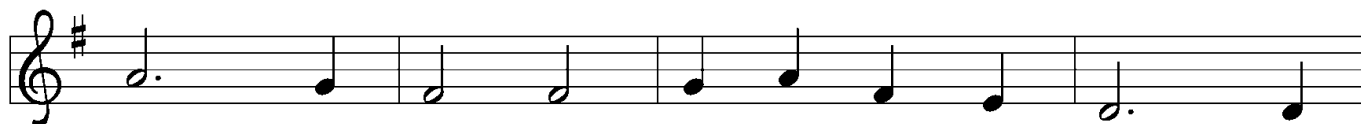
TOLLING THE BELL – GRETHEN BUSCH

Gathering Hymn: For All The Saints – ELW 422

verses 1 and 2 are sung



1 For all the saints who from their labors rest, who
2 Thou wast their rock, their fortress, and their might; thou,
Stanzas 3–5 below.
6 But then there breaks a yet more glorious day: the
7 From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast, through

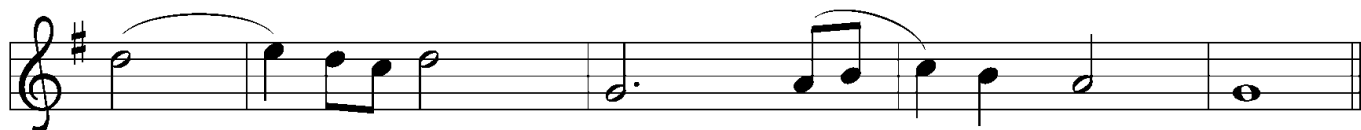


thee by faith before the world confessed, thy
Lord, their captain in the well-fought fight; . .
saints triumphant rise in bright array; the
gates of pearl streams in the countless host, . .



name, O Jesus, be forever blest.
thou, in the darkness drear, their one true light.

King of glory passes on his way.
sing - ing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost:



Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

Text: William W. How, 1823–1897

Music: SINE NOMINE, Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1872–1958

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Sign of the Cross

Pastor:

+ In the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

ALL: Amen

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

ALL: Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Greeting

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

ALL: And also with you.

Introduction

Pastor: 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, Janice,
to give thanks for her life,
to commend her to our merciful redeemer,
and to comfort one another in our grief.



Thanksgiving for Baptism

All who are baptized into Christ
have put on Christ.

In her baptism,
Janice was clothed with Christ.
In the day of Christ's coming,
she shall be clothed with glory.



Eternal God, maker of heaven and earth, who formed us from the dust of
the earth, who by your breath gave us life, we glorify you.

ALL: We glorify you.

Jesus Christ, the resurrection and the life, who suffered death for all
humanity, who rose from the grave to open the way to eternal life, we praise
you.

ALL: We praise you.

Holy Spirit, author and giver of life, the comforter of all who sorrow, our sure
confidence and everlasting hope, we worship you.

ALL: We worship you.

Pastor:
To you, O blessed Trinity,
be glory and honor,
forever and ever.

ALL: Amen.

Welcome – Pr. Anne Harman

Eulogy – Robert Rowe



Hymn: For All the Saints – verses 6 & 7 (Page 4)

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

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

ALL: Amen.

Word

First Reading: 1 Peter 5:1-7

A Reading from the first letter of Peter.



5 Now as an elder myself and a witness of the sufferings of Christ, as well as one who shares in the glory to be revealed, I exhort the elders among you ² to tend the flock of God that is in your charge, exercising the oversight, not under compulsion but willingly, as God would have you do it, not for sordid gain but eagerly. ³ Do not lord it over those in your charge but be examples to the flock. ⁴ And when the chief shepherd appears, you will win the crown of glory that never fades away. ⁵ In the same way, you who are younger must be subject to the elders. And all of you must clothe yourselves with humility in your dealings with one another, for

“God opposes the proud
but gives grace to the humble.”

⁶ Humble yourselves, therefore, under the mighty hand of God, so that he may exalt you in due time. ⁷ Cast all your anxiety on him, because he cares for you.

The Word of the Lord

ALL: Thanks be to God

Psalm 23: Shepherd Me, O God – ELW 780

Refrain
All

Shep- herd me, O God, be - yond my wants, be - yond my fears, from
death in - to life. life.

Text: Marty Haugen, b. 1950, based on Psalm 23
Music: SHEPHERD ME, Marty Haugen
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Second Reading: Romans 8: 31- 49

A Reading from the letter of Paul to the Romans.

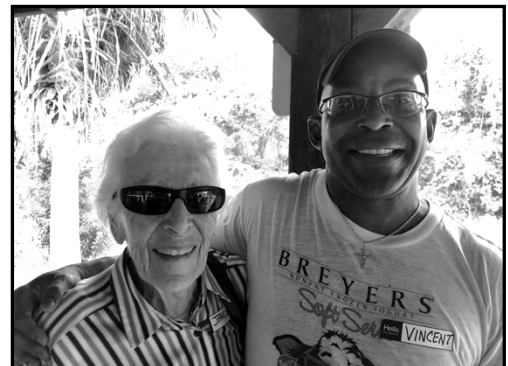
What then are we to say about these things? If God is for us, who is against us? He who did not withhold his own Son but gave him up for all of us, how will he not with him also give us everything else? Who will bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. Who is to condemn? It is Christ who died, or rather, who was raised, who is also at the right hand of God, who also intercedes for us. Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will affliction or distress or persecution or famine or nakedness or peril or sword? As it is written,

"For your sake we are being killed all day long;
we are accounted as sheep to be slaughtered."

No, in all these things we are more than victorious 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.

The Word of the Lord.

ALL: Thanks be to God.



Alleluia

Taize

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - - - ia. Al - le -

lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia. al - le - lu - - - ia.

Gospel: John 10:

The Holy Gospel according to John

ALL: Glory to you, O Lord

(Jesus said,) ¹⁴ I am the good shepherd. I know my own, and my own know me, ¹⁵ just as the Father knows me, and I know the Father. And I lay down my life for the sheep. ¹⁶ I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd.

²⁷ My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. ²⁸ I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. ²⁹ My Father, in regard to what he has given me, is greater than all and no one can snatch them out of the Father's hand.

The Gospel of the Lord

ALL: Praise to You, O Christ.



Sermon: Pr. Anne Harman

Silence for reflection follows the sermon.

Hymn of the Day: Blessed Assurance ELW 638



- 1 Bless-ed as-sur-ance, Je-sus is mine! Oh, what a fore-taste of glo-ry di-vine!
- 2 Per-fect sub-mis-sion, per-fect de-light, vi-sions of rap-ture now burst on my sight;
- 3 Per-fect sub-mis-sion, all is at rest; I in my Sav-ior am hap-py and blest,



Heir of sal-va-tion, pur-chase of God, born of his Spir-it, washed in his blood.
an-gels de-scend-ing bring from a-bove ech-oes of mer-cy, whis-pers of love.
watch-ing and wait-ing, look-ing a-bove, filled with his good-ness, lost in his love.

Refrain



This is my sto-ry, this is my song, prais-ing my Sav-ior all the day long:



this is my sto-ry, this is my song, prais-ing my Sav-ior all the day long.

Text: Fanny J. Crosby, 1820–1915

Music: ASSURANCE, Phoebe P. Knapp, 1830–1908



Prayer of Intercession

*Please respond to each invocation: God of mercy, **hear our prayer.***

Peace

The peace of Christ be with you always.

ALL: And also with you.

The people may greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace, and may say, "Peace be with you," or similar words.

Hymn: I Come with Joy ELW 482



1 I come with joy, a child of God, for - giv - en, loved, and
2 I come with Chris - tians far and near to find, as all are
3 As Christ breaks bread, and bids us share, each proud di - vi - sion
4 The Spir - it of the ris - en Christ, un - seen, but ev - er
5 To - geth - er met, to - geth - er bound by all that God has



free, the life of Je - sus to re - call in
fed, the new com - mu - ni - ty of love in
ends. The love that made us, makes us one, and
near, is in such friend - ship bet - ter known, a -
done, we'll go with joy, to give the world the



love laid down for me, in love laid down for me.
Christ's com - mu - nion bread, in Christ's com - mu - nion bread.
strang - ers now are friends, and strang - ers now are friends.
live a - mong us here, a - live a - mong us here.
love that makes us one, the love that makes us one.

Text: Brian A. Wren, b. 1936

Music: DOVE OF PEACE, W. Walker, *Southern Harmony*, 1835

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Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

This musical score is written for a single voice part in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of four staves of music. The first staff contains two measures: 'The Lord be with you.' and 'And al - so with you.' The second staff also contains two measures: 'Lift up your hearts.' and 'We lift them to the Lord.' The third staff contains one measure: 'Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.' The fourth staff contains one measure: 'It is right to give our thanks and praise.' The melody is simple and hymn-like, using quarter and half notes with various phrasing slurs.

Preface

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,

heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na. Ho -

san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless-ed is he who

comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san - na in the high - est.

This musical score is written for a single voice part in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of four staves of music. The first staff contains two measures: 'Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,'. The second staff contains two measures: 'heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na. Ho -'. The third staff contains two measures: 'san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless-ed is he who'. The fourth staff contains two measures: 'comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san - na in the high - est.' The melody is more complex than the 'Great Thanksgiving' section, featuring eighth and sixteenth notes, as well as rests.



Christ has died. Christ is ris - en. Christ will come a - gain.



A - men, a - men, a - men.

LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.**

**Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those
who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen.**



Invitation to Communion

We receive communion using bread and wine. If you need to receive a gluten free host, please ask the communion minister. For those who prefer to receive grape juice rather than wine you will find white grape juice in the center of the trays as communion is given. If you have a question, please ask the minister as you receive. The bread and wine should be consumed here in the church before you return to your seat. If for some reason, you are unable to consume either the bread or wine please bring what was not consumed to the ushers or the pastor as soon as the service is completed.

Hymn: When Peace Like a River ELW 785



1 When peace like a riv - er at - tend - eth my way, when
2 Though Sa - tan should buf - fet, though tri - als should come, let
3 He lives— oh, the bliss of this glo - ri - ous thought; my
4 Lord, has - ten the day when our faith shall be sight, the



sor - rows like sea bil - lows roll, what - ev - er my lot, thou hast
this blest as - sur - ance con - trol, that Christ hath re - gard - ed my
sin, not in part, but the whole, is nailed to his cross and I
clouds be rolled back as a scroll, the trum - pet shall sound and the



taught me to say, it is well, it is well with my soul.
help - less es - tate, and hath shed his own blood for my soul.
bear it no more. Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul!
Lord shall de - scend; e - ven so it is well with my soul.

Refrain



It is well with my soul, it is well, it is well with my soul.

Text: Horatio G. Spafford, 1828–1888
Music: VILLA DU HAVRE, Philip P. Bliss, 1838–1876

His Eye Is On The Sparrow – Solo, Bill Burtch

Table Blessing:

+ May the Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

Prayer After Communion

Let us pray.

O God, we give you thanks that you have set before us this feast, the body and blood of your Son.

Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world, serve all in need, and speak out against every injustice. Unite us today and always with Jesus Christ our risen Lord.

ALL: Amen.

Commendation

Let us commend Janice to the mercy of God, our maker and redeemer.

Into your hands, O merciful Savior,
we commend your servant, Janice.

Acknowledge,
we humbly beseech you,
a lamb of your own flock,
a sheep 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.

ALL: Amen.



O Lord, Now Let Your Servant - ELW 313

1 O Lord, now let your ser - vant de - part in heav'n-ly peace,
2 Then grant that I may fol - low your gleam, O glo - rious Light,

for I have seen the glo - ry of your re - deem - ing grace:
till earth-ly shad - ows scat - ter, and faith is changed to sight;

a light to lead the na - tions un - to your ho - ly hill,
till rap - tured saints shall gath - er up - on that shin - ing shore,

the glo - ry of your peo - ple, your cho - sen Is - ra - el.
where Christ, the bless - ed day - star, shall light them ev - er - more.

Text: Ernest E. Ryden, 1886–1981, alt.
Music: KUORTANE, Finnish folk tune; arr. hymnal version
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Blessing and Dismissal

Let us pray for God's blessing.

God of peace, give your blessing and comfort to Janice's family and all who grieve her passing this day. Grant that we who have gathered to celebrate her life, may go forth to do your holy will led by the Holy Spirit.

May almighty God, Father, ✝ Son, and Holy Spirit,
bless you now and forever.

ALL: Amen.

Let us go forth in peace, to love and serve the Lord.

**ALL: May the Holy Spirit inspire, empower,
and guide us. Amen.**



Hymn: Beautiful Savior ELW 838



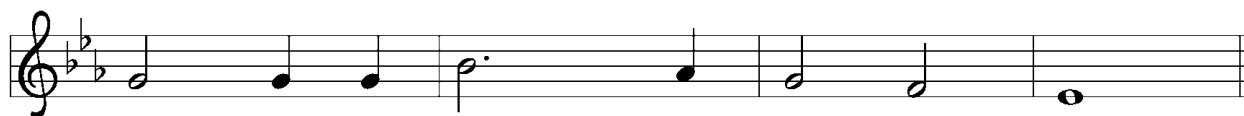
1 Beau - ti - ful Sav - ior, King of cre - a - tion,
 2 Fair are the mead - ows, fair are the wood - lands,
 3 Fair is the sun - shine, fair is the moon - light,
 4 Beau - ti - ful Sav - ior, Lord of the na - tions,



Son of God and Son of Man!
 robed in flow'rs of bloom - ing spring;
 bright the spar - kling stars on high;
 Son of God and Son of Man!



Tru - ly I'd love thee, tru - ly I'd serve thee,
 Je - sus is fair - er, Je - sus is pur - er,
 Je - sus shines bright - er, Je - sus shines pur - er,
 Glo - ry and hon - or, praise, ad - o - ra - tion,



light of my soul, my joy, my crown.
 he makes our sor - rowing spir - it sing.
 than all the an - gels in the sky.
 now and for - ev - er - more be thine!

Text: *Gesangbuch*, Münster, 1677; tr. Joseph A. Seiss, 1823–1904
 Music: SCHÖNSTER HERR JESU, Silesian folk tune, 19th cent.







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