

+ Soli Deo Gloria + Friday, December 5, 2025

The Worship Service Celebrating Life and the Sure Hope of the Resurrection given to

Karen Marie Fruendt

May 4, 1947 – November 30, 2025

Isaiah 41:13

For I, the LORD your God, hold your right hand; it is I who say to you, "Fear not, I am the one who helps you."

The Prelude

Please Stand

Remembrance of Baptism

- In Holy Baptism, Karen was clothed with the robe of Christ's righteousness that covered all her sin. St. Paul says: "Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into His death?"
- We were buried therefore with Him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of 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.

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Loving,
Outreaching,
Growing,
Together in Christ

1401 Cross Timbers Road Flower Mound TX 75028 log.org (972) 539-5200 info@log.org members, including her sister EC Thompson; her son Steven and his wife Patricia; her daughter-in-law Rhonda; and her grandchildren, Garrett and his future wife Isabel, Aubrie, Cameron and Liam; all of whom she cared for dearly. We will miss her energetic spirit, her servant's heart, her unwavering love for family and friends, and her ability to find the positive in everything. Karen truly was an amazing sister, wife, mother, and grandmother. She was a friend to all and a stranger to no one.

"For I am the Lord, your God, who takes hold of your right hand and says to you, Do not fear; I will help you." – Isaiah 41:13

The Processional Hymn



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The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

The Invocation and Opening Litany

- P In the name of the Father, and of the ₩ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.
- P In baptism we have been buried with Christ.
- And we shall LIVE with Him. (Jn. 6)
- Listen, I tell you a mystery. We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed. (1 Cor. 15:51)
- The perishable shall be clothed with the imperishable, and the mortal with immortality. (1 Cor. 15:53)
- P Death has been swallowed up in victory. Where, O death, is your victory? Where, O death, is your sting? (I Cor. 15:54-55)
- But thanks be to God! He GIVES us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. (1 Cor. 15:57)
- P Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in me will live, even though he dies; and whoever lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?" (Jn. 11:25-26)
- I know that my redeemer lives, and that in the end, He shall stand upon the earth. (Job 19:25)
- P He will wipe every tear from their eyes. There will be no more death or mourning or crying or pain, for the old order of things has passed away. (Rev. 21:4)
- He who testifies to these things says, "Yes, I am coming soon." Amen! Come Lord Jesus! (Rev. 22:20)
- A Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. As it was in the beginning, is now, and shall be forever. Amen.

OBITUARY



Our beloved sister in Christ, Karen Marie Fruendt, born May 4, 1947 in Oklahoma City, OK, entered God's Kingdom on November 30, 2025 after an eight-year battle with ovarian cancer. Karen never allowed adversity to take hold of her love of life and adventure, especially the adventures with her late husband, John, and their family. She was always grateful for everything God had provided her.

Karen was introduced to John by his sister
Maguerite in February 1963 at Zion Lutheran Church in Oklahoma City.
They were engaged December 24, 1966, and married May 26, 1967.
Karen attended Oklahoma State University with John until he graduated, and they moved to Irving, TX. There, they started a wonderful life together, were active members of Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, and raised two sons in the Lutheran faith.

After almost 35 years in Irving, John and Karen retired to Holly Lake Ranch, TX, but retirement was never in the picture. After attending Trinity Lutheran in Tyler, TX, John and Karen were led to help bring to life a second campus in Hawkins, TX where they served for many years. Holly Lake Ranch, also known to her grandchildren as "grandma's house in the woods", became a magical place for food, fun, laughter, fireworks, bear hugs, and exploring the woods on a golf cart! It is here that wonderful memories were made, and Karen was the one who made it happen.

Due to failing health for both John and Karen, they decided to move back to the metroplex and were able to be closer to family. In 2019, they joined Lamb of God in Flower Mound, TX and quickly found ways to support several ministries there. They both were involved with the Holy Cow Smokers Disaster Relief – John on cleanup and chainsaw duty and Karen preparing thousands of brownies and serving those in need. Karen was also able to help with the Youth Ministry. She knew that building a legacy of faith was important to her. Karen's greatest joy was her grandchildren, and she would always speak of how blessed she was to witness all four of their Confirmations.

Karen is reunited in Heaven with her husband John, son Brian, and parents Carl and Dorothy Shannon. She is survived by many loving family

Closing Hymn "If You But Trust in God to Guide You"

- If you but trust in God to guide you And place your confidence in him, You'll find him always there beside you To give you hope and strength within. For those who trust God's changless love
- What gain is there in futile weeping, In helpless anger and distress? If you are in his care and keeping, In sorrow will he love you less? For he who took for you a cross Will bring you safe through ev'ry loss.

Build on the rock that will not move.

- In patient trust await his leisure
 In cheerful hope, with heart content
 To take whate'er your Father's pleasure
 And all discerning love have sent;
 Doubt not your inmost wants are known
 To him who chose you for his own.
- 4 Sing, pray, and keep his ways unswerving. Offer your service faithfully, And trust his word; though undeserving, You'll find his promise true to be. God never will forsake in need The soul that trusts in him indeed.

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Postlude

"I Know That My Redeemer Lives"

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The Prayer P Let us pray, together...

A O God of grace and glory, we remember before you today, Karen, our sister in Christ. We thank you for giving her to us to know and to love as a companion on this pilgrimage upon earth. In Your boundless compassion, console us who mourn. Give us Your aid so we may continue our course on earth with confidence in You until the day You call us to heaven. Grant us a blessed reunion with those who have gone before us with faith in Jesus. In His name we pray. Amen.

Please Be Seated

The Comfort of God's Word

Psalm 23

- P The Lord is my shepherd,
- I shall not be in want.
- P He makes me lie down in green pastures,
- He leads me beside quiet waters,
- P He restores my soul.
- He guides me in paths of righteousness for his name's sake.
- **P** Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,
- C I will fear no evil,
- **P** For you are with me;
- Your rod and your staff, they comfort me.
- P You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies.
- You anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.
- P Surely goodness and love will follow me all the days of my life,
- And I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

Old Testament Isaiah 25:6-9

On this mountain the Lord of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wine, of rich food full of marrow, of aged wine well refined. And he will swallow up on this mountain the covering that is cast over all peoples, the veil that is spread over all nations. He will swallow up death forever; and the Lord God will wipe away tears from all faces, and the reproach of his people he will take away from all the earth, for the Lord has spoken. It will be said on that day, "Behold, this is our God; we have waited for him, that he might save us. This is the Lord; we have waited for him; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation."

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Epistle Romans 8:31-39

What then shall we say to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us? He who did not spare his own Son but gave him up for us all, how will he not also with him graciously give us all things? Who shall bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. Who is to condemn? Christ Jesus is the one who died—more than that, who was raised—who is at the right hand of God, who indeed is interceding for us. Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or danger, or sword? As it is written, "For your sake we are being killed all the day long; we are regarded as sheep to be slaughtered." No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am sure 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.

- **P** This is the Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

Please Stand

Verse

- P Alleluia Alleluia, For the Word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword,
- piercing to the division of soul and of spirit, of joints and of marrow, and discerning the thoughts and intentions of the heart. Alleluia. (Heb. 4:12)

The Lord's Prayer

- **P** Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:
- 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.

Nunc Dimittis

- "I am the resurrection and the life," says the Lord. "He who believes in Me will live, even though he dies; and whoever lives and believes in Me will never die."
- Lord, now You let Your servant go in peace; Your word has been fulfilled. My own eyes have seen the salvation which You have prepared in the sight of every people: a light to reveal You to the nations and the glory of Your people Israel. Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

The Benediction

- P Let us go forth in peace.
- In the peace and joy of Christ
- **P** For He is risen!
- G He is risen indeed! Alleluia!
- The Lord Bless you and keep you.

 The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you.

 The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and # give you peace.
- C Amen!
- **P** Let us go forth in peace.
- In the name of the Lord. Amen.

P Grant that all who have been baptized into Christ's death and resurrection may die to sin and rise to newness of life, and that through the gate of death and the grave we may pass with Him to our joyful resurrection.

C Hear us, O Lord.

- P Grant to us who are still in our pilgrimage, and who walk as yet by faith, Your Holy Spirit that he may lead us in holiness and righteousness all our days.
- C Hear us, O Lord.
- P Grant to Your faithful people pardon and peace that we may be cleansed from all our sins and serve You with a quiet mind.
- Hear us, O Lord.
- P Grant to all who mourn a sure confidence in Your loving care that, casting all their sorrow on You, they may know the consolation of Your love.
- Hear us, O Lord.
- P Give courage and faith to the bereaved that they may have strength to meet the days ahead in the assurance of a holy and certain hope, in the communion of Your Church, and in the joyful expectation of eternal life with those they love who have departed in the faith.
- Hear us, O Lord.
- P Help us, we pray, in the midst of things we cannot understand, to believe in and find comfort in the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.
- C Hear us, O Lord.
- God of all grace, You sent Your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, to bring life and immortality to light. We give You thanks that by His death He destroyed the power of death and by His resurrection opened the kingdom of heaven to all believers. Strengthen us in the confidence that because He lives we shall live also, and that neither death nor life nor things present nor things to come will be able to separate us from Your love which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.
- C Amen.

P The Holy Gospel according to John, the 14th Chapter.

Glory to You, O Lord.

"Let not your hearts be troubled. Believe in God; believe also in me. In my Father's house are many rooms. 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, that where I am you may be also. And you know the way to 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. ... Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid."

- **P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- Praise to You, O Christ.



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The Message

Pastor Mark Payne

Please Stand



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The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life + everlasting. Amen.

The Prayers of the Church

- Almighty God, You have knit Your chosen people together in one communion, in the mystical body of Your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Give to Your whole Church in heaven and on earth Your light and Your peace.
- C Hear us, O Lord.