



In QUIETNESS
and in CONFIDENCE *shall be your*

STRENGTH.

ISAIAH 30:15

+Soli Deo Gloria+

*Celebration of the Life and
the Sure Hope of the Resurrection given to*

Anita “Nita” Schjerven

August 28, 1944 - July 27, 2026

The Prelude

“I Know That My Redeemer Lives”

M Burkhardt

Please Stand

Remembrance of Baptism

P In Holy Baptism, Anita “Nita” Schjerven 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?”

C 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.

Processional Hymn

“I Know That My Redeemer Lives”

LSB #461

v. 1-2, 7-8



1 I know that my Re - deem - er lives; What com - fort
2 He lives tri - um - phant from the grave; He lives e -
7 He lives and grants me dai - ly breath; He lives, and
8 He lives, all glo - ry to His name! He lives, my



this sweet sen - tence gives! He lives, He lives, who
ter - nal - ly to save; He lives all - glo - rious
I shall con - quer death; He lives my man - sion
Je - sus, still the same; Oh, the sweet joy this



once was dead; He lives, my ev - er - liv - ing head.
in the sky; He lives ex - alt - ed there on high.
to pre - pare; He lives to bring me safe - ly there.
sen - tence gives: I know that my Re - deem - er lives!

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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.
- C** **And we shall LIVE with Him. (Jn. 6)**
- P** Listen, I tell you a mystery. We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed. (1 Cor. 15:51)
- C** **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? (1 Cor. 15:54-55)
- C** **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)
- C** **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)
- C** **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.**

The Prayer

- P** Let us pray, together...
- A** **O God of grace and glory, we remember before you today, Anita, 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,

C I shall not be in want.

P He makes me lie down in green pastures,

C He leads me beside quiet waters,

P He restores my soul.

C 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;

C Your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

P You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies.

C You anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.

P Surely goodness and love will follow me all the days of my life,

C And I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

First Lesson

Isaiah 49:13-16a

Sing for joy, O heavens, and exult, O earth; break forth, O mountains, into singing! for the Lord has comforted his people and will have compassion on his afflicted. But Zion said, "The Lord has forsaken me; my Lord has forgotten me." "Can a woman forget her nursing child, that she should have no compassion on the son of her womb? Even these may forget, yet I will not forget you. Behold, I have engraved you on the palms of my hands;

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Second Lesson

2 Corinthians 3:1-3

Are we beginning to commend ourselves again? Or do we need, as some do, letters of recommendation to you, or from you? You yourselves are our letter of recommendation, written on our hearts, to be known and read by all. And you show that you are a letter from Christ delivered by us, written not with ink but with the Spirit of the living God, not on tablets of stone but on tablets of human hearts.

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,

C 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)

Holy Gospel

John 14:1-6

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

C 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.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

The Hymn

"A Mighty Fortress is Our God"

LSB #657



1 A might - y for - tress is our God, A sword and shield vic -
 2 No strength of ours can match his might. We would be lost, re -
 3 Though hordes of dev - ils fill the land All threat-'ning to de -
 4 God's Word for - ev - er shall a - bide, No thanks to foes, who



to - rious; He breaks the cruel op - pres - sor's rod And wins sal -
 lect - ed. But now a cham - pion comes to fight, Whom God Him -
 vour us, We trem - ble not, un - moved we stand; They can - not
 fear it; For God Him - self fights by our side With weap - ons



va - tion glo - rious. The old sa - tan - ic foe Has sworn to
 self e - lect - ed. You ask who this may be? The Lord of
 o - ver - pow'r us. Let this world's ty - rant rage; In bat - tle
 of the Spir - it. Were they to take our house, Goods, hon - or,



work us woe. With craft and dread - ful might He
 hosts is He, Christ Je - sus, might - y Lord, God's
 we'll en - gage. His might is doomed to fail; God's
 child, or spouse, Though life be wrenched a - way, They



arms him - self to fight. On earth he has no e - qual.
 on - ly Son, a - dored. He holds the field vic - to - rious.
 judg - ment must pre - vail! One lit - tle word sub - dues him.
 can - not win the day. The King - dom's ours for - ev - er!

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Please Be Seated

The Message

Pastor Wayne Braun

P The Lord gives, the Lord takes away.

C Blessed be the name of the Lord.

Please Stand

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 & The Lord's Prayer

P 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.

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.

C 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.

C 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.

C 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.**

P 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, Who taught us to pray...

A **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

P "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."

C **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

C **In the peace and joy of Christ**

P For He is risen!

C **He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

P 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!**

Recessional Hymn "Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds" LSB #465

1 Now all the vault of heav'n re-sounds In
 2 E - ter - nal is the gift He brings, There -
 3 O fill us, Lord, with daunt - less love; Set
 4 A - dor - ing prais - es now we bring And

praise of love that still a - bounds: "Christ has tri - umphed!
 fore our heart with rap - ture sings: "Christ has tri - umphed!
 heart and will on things a - bove That we con - quer
 with the heav'n - ly bless - ed sing: "Christ has tri - umphed!

He is liv - ing!" Sing, choirs of an - gels, loud and
 He is liv - ing!" Now still He comes to give us
 through Your tri - umph; Grant grace suf - fi - cient for life's
 Al - le - lu - ia!" Be to the Fa - ther and our

clear! Re - peat their song of glo - ry
 life And by His pres - ence stills all
 day That by our lives we tru - ly
 Lord, To Spir - it blest, most ho - ly

here: "Christ has tri - umphed! Christ has tri - umphed!" Al - le -
 strife. Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv - ing! Al - le -
 say: "Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!" Al - le -
 God, All the glo - ry, nev - er end - ing! Al - le -

lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
 lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
 lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
 lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

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Postlude "Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds" R Hobby

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Pastor Rance Settle

Pastor Mark Payne

Director of Music Ministry

Stephanie Poyner

*Following the service
 the family invites you to join them in the
 Fellowship Hall for a meal.*

OBITUARY



Anita R. Schjerven of Flower Mound, TX passed away on Monday, July 27, 2026, at Texas Health Presbyterian Hospital in Denton, TX.

Anita was born on August 28, 1944, in Tomah, Wisconsin to the late George and Margaret Semann. She was the oldest of 7 siblings and grew up on a dairy farm near

Norwalk, WI. After high school she moved to La Crosse, WI where she met her husband, Robert Schjerven. They married in June 1968. Anita enjoyed gardening, visiting with friends, family gatherings, and for the last 20 years spending time at their summer cabin in Northern Wisconsin.

She will be remembered for her warm smile, kind heart, along with the extraordinary patience and courage shown in the last 20 years of poor health issues. Anita touched many lives through her cards and letters of encouragement for the families of Lamb of God Lutheran Church in Flower Mound, TX, as well as other friends and family.

She will be deeply missed by her family, friends, and especially Zeus, her 4-legged lovable companion.

Anita was preceded in death by her parents, brothers John and Jerome Semann, and sister Dorothy Leannah. She is survived by her husband, Robert, of 58 years, daughter Melissa (Scott) Western, son Eric Schjerven, brothers Bill (Valerie) Semann, Don (Karen) Semann, sister Mary (Dan) Urbanek, beloved grandchildren Bobby and Sarah Western, as well as precious nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

Visitation and funeral will be at Lamb of God Lutheran Church 1401 Cross Timbers Rd. Flower Mound, TX 75028. Visitation will be Monday, August 3rd from 6:00 to 8:00 pm as well as Tuesday, August 4th from 10:00 to 11:00 am. Funeral will be Tuesday, August 4th at 11 am. If you are unable to attend the service, it will be live streamed on Lamb of God's website at www.log.org.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be sent to the Lamb of God Lutheran Church PreSchool or Music Ministry (1401 Cross Timbers Rd. Flower Mound, TX 75028).

The family would like to express their gratitude to all of the doctors, nurses, and staff in the ICU unit of Texas Health Presbyterian Hospital Denton, and the caring staff at Mom's Best Friend.

In lieu of flowers, the family is requesting memorials be sent to

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