

# A Celebration of Life in the Certain Hope of Resurrection



## Jan Elizabeth Peterson

Entered this World ~ June 20, 1952

Entered her Heavenly Home ~ April 7, 2021

To the Glory of God and in Loving Memory of

Jan Elizabeth Peterson

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Wednesday, June 23, 2021

1:00 pm

Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church  
7691 S. University Blvd. Centennial, Colorado

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PRESERVICE MUSIC *some favorites of the Bethesda community*

INVOCATION *we call out to our Triune God for blessing and guidance*

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Congregation: Amen!

BAPTISM REMEMBRANCE *use of white cloth: we are covered by Christ! Romans 6:3-5*

P: In Holy Baptism Jan Elizabeth Peterson 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."

PRAYER

SONG "If You're Happy and You Know It"

BIBLE READINGS Isaiah 40:11 John 10:3 John 3:16

APOSTLES' CREED *a creed is a statement of faith or belief*

P: God has made us His people through our Baptism into Christ. Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith:

ALL: *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!*

MESSAGE

SONG "Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)"

PRAYERS

LORD'S PRAYER

*the prayer Jesus taught us Matthew 6:9-13*

ALL: *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!*

SIMEON'S SONG

*Simeon was ready to meet His Lord! Luke 2:29-32*

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!*

PRAYER OF COMFORT

P: Lord God, our Shepherd, You gather the lambs of Your flock into the arms of Your mercy and bring them home. Comfort us with the certain hope of the resurrection to everlasting life and a joyful reunion with those we love who have died in the faith; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: *Amen!*

GOD BLESSES US

*He gives forgiveness, new life, peace, and heaven! Numbers 6:24-6*

P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and ✠ give you peace.

C: *Amen!*

PERSONAL MEMORIES *brothers Thad and Pete; Allisha Vargas*

SONG "You Are My Sunshine"

RECESSIONAL

OFFICIANT  
MUSICIAN

Rev. Brad Stoltenow  
Michael Amidei

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*Jan was a member of our FACES community and was regular and joyful in her attendance at Shepherd of the Hills. She loved to shout out: "Amen!"*

*Jan liked all music and Jesus songs. Her smile showed her joy in Jesus.*

*We celebrate that she is with her Savior!*

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*Memorial gifts may be designated for:*

Bethesda Lutheran Communities  
DevelopmentDepartment@BethesdaLC.org  
Memo line: *Jan Peterson*

OBITUARY

Jan Elizabeth Peterson

Jan Peterson passed away April 7, 2021, at her home, Delaware House, a small group home administered by Bethesda Lutheran Communities. She was preceded in her passing by her mother and father, Barbara and David Peterson. She leaves behind her brothers: Eugene Peterson of Grand Junction, Colorado, and Thad Peterson of Johns Island, South Carolina, along with her second family at Delaware house.

Jan and her mother were pioneers in increasing awareness of developmental disabilities in the Denver area, helping to establish the Cerebral Palsy Center in Denver in the 1950's. Jan's mother made a point of taking Jan with her to retail outlets at a time where people with developmental disabilities were often hidden from view and given little exposure to the community.

A private memorial service will be held June 23, 2021, at 1:00 pm, at Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church in Centennial, Colorado.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to Bethesda Lutheran Communities: (DevelopmentDepartment@BethesdaLC.org).

Jesus says:

*"In the world you will have troubles.*

*But take heart! I have overcome the world."*

John 16:33