

TO THE GLORY OF GOD

*In Loving Memory of*

*Donna Sue Scholtes*

Bethlehem Lutheran Church-LCMS  
310 Johnston Pkwy • Raymore, MO 64083

September 8, 2025 ☞ 11:00 am

Christian Obituary

Hymn: Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds (LSB #465)

P: In the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen**

P: In Holy Baptism Donna 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.** *Romans 6:3-5*

P: Jesus gathers us through His Word and His Word brings hope and comfort.

C: **"Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In His great mercy He has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead."** *1 Peter 1:3*

P: Jesus said: "My Father's will is that everyone who looks to the Son and believes in Him shall have eternal life, and I will raise him up at the last day."

*John 6:40*

C: **Jesus said, "Because I live you will live also."**

*John 14:19*

P: Jesus said, "My sheep hear My voice; I know them, and they follow Me. I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; no one can snatch them out of My hand."

*John 10:27-28*

C: **"Thanks be to God! He gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ."**

*1 Corinthians 15:27*

P: "Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of compassion and the God of all comfort, who comforts us in all our troubles, so that we can comfort those in any trouble with the comfort we ourselves have received from God."

C: **For just as the sufferings of Christ flow over into our lives, so also through Christ our comfort overflows.**

*2 Corinthians 1:3-5*

P: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

P: God the Father, You are the source of all blessings. We thank You that You have given the promise of eternal life to Donna, for whom Jesus died. Comfort us with Your Word and give us strength so that when our last hour comes, we may peacefully fall asleep in You; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

The Word of God

Old Testament ..... Psalm 23

Epistle ..... 1 Corinthians 15:1-8, 51-58

Gospel ..... John 6:47-51

Creed

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

Sermon Song: Sunday Is Coming (–Phil Wickham)

## Message

## Prayers

- P: Father in heaven, we thank You for the promise of eternal life. In Your compassion, bring peace to all of us who mourn, especially we pray for family members and friends of Donna.
- C: **As we face each day of this life on earth, we pray for greater faith in Jesus, our Savior.**
- P: Give us faith to entrust Donna to Your never-failing love, that same love which has sustained her from the time of her birth and baptism.
- C: **O Lord, bless each of us with faith and hope. Sustain us by the promise that neither death nor life, nor things present nor things to come shall ever be able to separate us from Your love in Christ Jesus our Lord. All of this we pray in the name of Jesus, the Christ, Who is the resurrection and the life.**

## Lord's Prayer

Matthew 6:9 ff

**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**

## The Blessing

Numbers 6:24-26

- P: The LORD bless you and keep you.  
The LORD make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.  
The LORD look upon you with favor and give you ☩ His peace.
- C: **Amen**

Hymn: On Eagles' Wings (LSB #727)

## Postlude



## Pallbearers

Jackson Hagar ✧ Jacob Hagar ✧ Carlton Mathews  
Todd McCubbins ✧ Tim Payne ✧ Russell Scott



Thank you to Rev. Dr. Matthew D. Priem, officiant; Jordan Fox, pianist; Courtney Morrill and Carl Reque, video/live streaming; and to Bethlehem's LWML for preparing and serving the luncheon today.

You are invited to join the family and friends in the Fellowship Hall for a luncheon immediately following the service.

Interment will be held at 3:00 pm at Zion Lutheran Church Cemetery in Prairie City, Missouri.

The family requests memorial contributions be made for Bethlehem's LWML. Please make checks payable to Bethlehem Lutheran Church and note "Donna Scholtes Memorial."