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Funeral Service for
Loretta Margaret Meier

(7/6/1924 - 4/2/2020)

April 4th, 2020


Nunc Dimittis

SONG OF SIMEON

Loretta Margaret Meier

Loretta Margaret Meier was born July 6, 1924 to Friedrich F. and Maude (Maurer) Meier on a farm in Brule County. She was baptized into the Christian faith on the same day. The oldest of 7 children during the Great Depression, Loretta learned about hard work at a young age, first at home and hiring out to do housework at the age of 12.

After graduating from White Lake High School in 1942, Loretta received her two-year teaching degree from Yankton College. She taught 4th grade in Presho for one year after receiving her teaching certificate, returning to her forever home in White Lake to marry Claude Glissendorf.

Claude Jr. and Loretta were wed on June 12, 1945 and created a home on a farm south of White Lake. Married life allowed Loretta to do several of the activities she enjoyed including cooking and baking, gardening, babysitting her nieces and nephews, sewing and handiwork, participating in church activities, playing cards, raising chickens and helping on the farm.

On January 29, 1948 her only child, Diana Kay, was born. Diana married Richard Kieffer on December 30, 1970 giving Loretta two of the joys of her life, Kathy and Karen.

After losing Claude at the young age of 68, Loretta moved to town and spent her later years attending concerts of her granddaughters, crocheting, playing cards, visiting her neighbors, helping her daughter at Kieffer Hunting Lodge and walking at least 2 miles each day.

Loretta loved the Lord and was an active member of the Trinity Lutheran Church in White Lake. She passed away peacefully at the Aurora-Brule Care and Rehab Center on the morning of April 2, 2020. She leaves to praise God her daughter Diana; son-in-law Richard; granddaughters Kathy and her husband Mike Sorenson and children Landon and Victoria of Champlin, MN; Karen and her husband Garret Pfitzer of Mobridge, SD; two brothers Ted (Florence) and Richard (Glavn); sister-in-law Arlene Hanten; and several nieces, nephews, and Godchildren. She is preceded in death by her parents, 3 brothers (Fredrick, Ralph, Bill), and 1 sister (Florence).

Benedicamus

L Let us bless the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Benediction and Dismissal

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.**

P Let us go forth in peace,

C **in the name of the Lord. Amen.**

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How Great Thou Art

Stand

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

Invocation

P In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

The casket may be covered with a funeral pall.

Remembrance of Baptism

P In Holy Baptism Loretta 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.**

Psalm 23 (KJV)

The LORD is my | shepherd;*

I | shall not want.

He maketh me to lie down in green | pastures:*

He leadeth me beside the still | waters.

He restoreth | my soul:*

He leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for His | name's sake. Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art | with me;*

Thy rod and thy staff, they | comfort me.
Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine |
enemies:*

Thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth | over.
Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days | of
my life:*

and I will dwell in the house of the LORD for- | ever.

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*
and to the Holy | Spirit;
as it was in the be- | ginning,*
is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

Kyrie

P Lord, have mercy upon us.

C Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray.

O God of grace and mercy, we give thanks for Your loving-kindness shown to Loretta and to all Your servants who, having finished their course in faith, now rest from their labors. Grant that we also may be faithful unto death and receive the crown of eternal life; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Nunc Dimittis

A “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.

A “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.”

Concluding Collect

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray.

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.

Sit

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Amazing Grace

Sermon

Kneel/Stand

Prayer of the Church

P Let us pray to the Lord, our God and Father, who raised Jesus from the dead.

P Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

Lord's Prayer

P Taught by our Lord and trusting His promises, we are bold to pray:

C **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.**

Sit

Old Testament Reading

Job 19:21-27

²¹Have mercy on me, have mercy on me, O you my friends,

for the hand of God has touched me!

²²Why do you, like God, pursue me?

Why are you not satisfied with my flesh?

²³“Oh that my words were written!

Oh that they were inscribed in a book!

²⁴Oh that with an iron pen and lead
they were engraved in the rock forever!

²⁵For I know that my Redeemer lives,
and at the last he will stand upon the earth.

²⁶And after my skin has been thus destroyed,
yet in my flesh I shall see God,

²⁷whom I shall see for myself,
and my eyes shall behold, and not another.

My heart faints within me!

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual

Psalms 27:13

¹³I believe that I shall look upon the goodness | of the LORD*
in the land of the | living!

Epistle

Romans 8:31-39

³¹What then shall we say to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us? ³²He 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? ³³Who shall bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. ³⁴Who 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. ³⁵Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or danger, or sword? ³⁶As it is written,

“For your sake we are being killed all the day long;
we are regarded as sheep to be slaughtered.”

³⁷No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. ³⁸For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, ³⁹nor 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.

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

Stand

Verse for Lent

- A** If we have | died with Christ,*
we shall also | live with Him;
- C** if we are faithful | to the end,*
we shall | reign with Him.

Holy Gospel

Mark 10:13-16

- P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the tenth chapter.
- C** Glory to You, O Lord.

¹³And they were bringing children to him that he might touch them, and the disciples rebuked them. ¹⁴But when Jesus saw it, he was indignant and said to them, “Let the children come to me; do not hinder them, for to such belongs the kingdom of God. ¹⁵Truly, I say to you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God like a child shall not enter it.” ¹⁶And he took them in his arms

and blessed them, laying his hands on them.

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

Apostles' Creed

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