

SERVICE OF WORSHIP AND PRAISE TO GOD FOR  
HIS BLESSING THROUGH THE LIFE OF:

✠ **Debra Claire Cordray** ✠

Born: May 25, 1950

Died: November 6, 2022

**Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church, Livonia Michigan**

*Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod*

Saturday, November 12, 2022 ~ 12:30pm

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**THE ORDER OF WORSHIP**

**PASTORAL GREETING**

**P** Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the source of all mercy and the God of all consolation. He comforts us in all our sorrows so that we can comfort others in their sorrows with the consolation we ourselves have received from God.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

**REMEMBRANCE OF BAPTISM**

**P** In holy Baptism Debbie 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 were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into His death?"

**C** **We were therefore buried with Him through baptism into death in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, we too may live a new life. If we have been united with Him in His death, we will certainly also be united with Him in His resurrection.** *(Romans 6:3-5)*

**OPENING HYMN**

"In Thee Is Gladness"

*LSB 818*

- 1. In Thee is gladness Amid all sadness,  
Jesus, sunshine of my heart. By Thee are given  
The gifts of heaven, Thou the true Redeemer art.  
Our souls Thou wakest, Our bonds Thou breakest;  
Who trusts Thee surely Has built securely;  
He stands forever: Alleluia!  
Our hearts are pining To see Thy shining,  
Dying or living To Thee are cleaving;  
Naught can us sever: Alleluia!**

2. Since He is ours, We fear no powers,  
Not of earth nor sin nor death. He sees and blesses  
In worst distresses; He can change them with a breath.  
Wherefore the story Tell of His glory  
With hearts and voices; All heav'n rejoices  
In Him forever: Alleluia!  
We shout for gladness, Triumph o'er sadness,  
Love Him and praise Him And still shall raise Him  
Glad hymns forever: Alleluia!

## LOVING MEMORIES

Andrew Barnes

## INVOCATION

- P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.  
**C** Amen.

## RESPONSIVE READING OF RESURRECTION COMFORT

- P** Praise be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who comforts us in all of our troubles, so that we can comfort those in any trouble with the comfort we ourselves have received from God. The Apostle Paul writes to the Romans: "The wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord." Jesus gives us this comfort: "I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in me, though he dies, yet shall he live; and whoever lives and believes in me shall never die." Death has been swallowed up in victory! Thanks be to God!
- C** **He gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.**
- P** When Christ, who is our life appears,
- C** **Then we also shall appear with Him in glory.**
- P** We will be before the throne of God
- C** **And serve Him day and night in His temple.**
- P** Never again will we hunger;
- C** **Never again will we thirst.**
- P** For the Lamb at the center of the throne will be our shepherd. He will lead us to springs of living water.
- C** **And God will wipe away every tear from our eyes.**

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

## PSALM 23

**P** The Lord is my shepherd;

**C** **I shall not want.**

**P** He makes me lie down in green pastures.

**C** **He leads me beside still waters.**

**P** He restores my soul.

**C** **He leads me in paths of righteousness for his name's sake.**

**P** Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, 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 mercy shall follow me all the days of my life,

**C** **and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord forever.**

**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.**

## READINGS

2 Corinthians 4:16-5:1

2 Corinthians 13:4-14

Matthew 5:1-12a

## OUR CONFESSION OF FAITH - The Apostles' Creed

**P** God has made us His people through Baptism into Christ Jesus.  
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.**

1. **Beautiful Savior, King of creation,  
Son of God and Son of Man!  
Truly I'd love Thee, Truly I'd serve Thee,  
Light of my soul, my joy, my crown.**
2. **Fair are the meadows, Fair are the woodlands,  
Robed in flow'rs of blooming spring;  
Jesus is fairer, Jesus is purer,  
He makes our sorr'wing spirit sing.**
3. **Fair is the sunshine, Fair is the moonlight,  
Bright the sparkling stars on high;  
Jesus shines brighter, Jesus shines purer  
Than all the angels in the sky.**
4. **Beautiful Savior, Lord of the nations,  
Son of God and Son of Man!  
Glory and honor, Praise, adoration  
Now and forevermore be Thine!**

**SERMON****PRAYERS****LORD'S PRAYER** *(Spoken by the Congregation)*

**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.**

**BENEDICTION****CLOSING HYMN**

"Go, My Children, with My Blessing"

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1. **Go, My children, with My blessing, Never alone.  
Waking, sleeping, I am with you; You are My own.  
In My love's baptismal river  
I have made you Mine forever.  
Go, My children, with My blessing You are My own.**

2. **Go, My children, sins forgiven, At peace and pure.**  
**Here you learned how much I love you, What I can cure.**  
**Here you heard My dear Son's story;**  
**Here you touched Him, saw His glory.**  
**Go, My children, sins forgiven, At peace and pure.**
3. **Go, My children, fed and nourished, Closer to Me;**  
**Grow in love and love by serving, Joyful and free.**  
**Here My Spirit's power filled you;**  
**Here His tender comfort stilled you.**  
**Go, My children, fed and nourished, Joyful and free.**
4. **I the Lord will bless and keep you And give you peace;**  
**I the Lord will smile upon you And give you peace:**  
**I the Lord will be your Father,**  
**Savior, Comforter, and Brother.**  
**Go, My children; I will keep you And give you peace.**

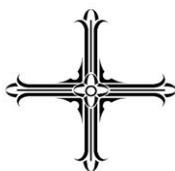
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## **SERVICE PARTICIPANTS**

- Officiating:** Rev. Dean M. Davenport  
**Organist:** Tom Schroeder  
**Elder:** Mike Puterbaugh  
**Reader:** Andrew Barnes

*Please join the family for a luncheon immediately following the service.  
The luncheon will be served in the gym, at the West end of the building*



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*In Loving Memory ~*



## **Debra Claire Cordray**

MAY 25, 1950 – NOVEMBER 6, 2022

Debra Claire Cordray was born May 25, 1950 in Oklahoma City, OK to her parents, Richard and Mary Evelyn Johnson. Debbie passed away on November 6, 2022 at age 72.

Beloved mother of Christina (William Jr.) Barnes, Cassandra Cordray, and Carmelita (Corey) Smith. Loving grandmother of Andrew (Courtney) Barnes, Alexandra Barnes, and Karissa Cordray. Great grandmother of Baby Barnes on the way. Dear sister of Donna (John) Johnson-Schroder, and Diana Briere. Dearest aunt of Cyndi, Jennifer, Brittany, Chase, and Stephanie.

Debbie is preceded in death by her parents, Richard and Mary Evelyn.

Debbie was a hard worker, she worked as a Patient Accounting Manager at DMC for 37 years and while working full time, she raised 3 daughters by herself. She was so happy to become a grandmother and enjoyed spending time with her family. Debbie was also a longtime and devoted member of Christ Our Savior Church in Livonia. Once Debbie retired, she loved traveling and taking various cruises around the country. She will be tremendously missed by her family, friends and church community.