

Carolyn J. Huff

"The LORD is my light and my salvation - whom shall I fear?
The LORD is the stronghold of my life - of whom shall I be afraid?"
Psalm 27:1

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

✝ Carolyn J. Huff ✝

Born: August 20, 1939 Died: October 31, 2026

Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church

Saturday, November 14, 2026 ~ 2:00pm

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, Carolyn 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)*

P Through faith, Carolyn is a child of God! Throughout her earthly life and even now in her eternal life. Jesus Christ was and is her faithful and life-giving Shepherd.

C **Thanks be to God!**

PROCESSIONAL HYMN "How Great Thou Art" *LSB 801*

1. O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder
Consider all the works Thy hand hath made,
I see the stars, I hear the mighty thunder,
Thy pow'r throughout the universe displayed;

Refrain: **Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee,**
How great Thou art! How great Thou art!
Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee,
How great Thou art! How great Thou art!

2. **When through the woods and forest glades I wander,**
I hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees;
When I look down from lofty mountain grandeur
And hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze; *Refrain*

3. **But when I think that God, His Son not sparing,**
Sent Him to die, I scarce can take it in—
That on the cross my burden gladly bearing
He bled and died to take away my sin; *Refrain*

4. **When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation**
And take me home, what joy shall fill my heart!
Then I shall bow in humble adoration
And there proclaim: "My God, how great Thou art!"
Refrain

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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 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

READINGS Psalm 23
1 Corinthians 15:51-57
John 11:21-27

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.

HYMN "Onward, Christian Soldiers" *LSB 662*

1. **Onward, Christian soldiers, Marching as to war,**
   With the cross of Jesus Going on before.
   Christ, the royal master, Leads against the foe;
   Forward into battle See His banners go!

   Refrain: **Onward, Christian soldiers, Marching as to war,**
   With the cross of Jesus Going on before.

2. **Like a mighty army Moves the Church of God;**
   Brothers, we are treading Where the saints have trod.
   We are not divided, All one body we,
   One in hope and doctrine, One in charity. *Refrain*

3. **Crowns and thrones may perish, Kingdoms rise and wane,**
   But the Church of Jesus Constant will remain.
   Gates of hell can never 'Gainst that Church prevail;
   We have Christ's own promise, And that cannot fail. *Refrain*

4. **Onward, then, ye faithful, Join our happy throng,**
   Blend with ours your voices In the triumph song:
   Glory, laud, and honor Unto Christ, the king;
   This through countless ages Men and angels sing. *Refrain*

MESSAGE

HYMN "Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee" *LSB 803*

1. **Joyful, joyful we adore Thee, God of glory, Lord of love!**
   Hearts unfold like flow'rs before Thee, Praising Thee, their sun above.
   Melt the clouds of sin and sadness, Drive the gloom of doubt away.
   Giver of immortal gladness, Fill us with the light of day.
2. **All Thy works with joy surround Thee, Earth and heav'n reflect Thy rays,**
   Stars and angels sing around Thee, Center of unbroken praise.
   Field and forest, vale and mountain, Flow'ry meadow, flashing sea,
   Chanting bird, and flowing fountain Call us to rejoice in Thee.

△ 3. **Thou art giving and forgiving, Ever blessing, ever blest,**
   Wellspring of the joy of living, Ocean-depth of happy rest!
   Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, Fountainhead of love divine:
   Joyful, we Thy heav'n inherit! Joyful, we by grace are Thine!

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 "I Know That My Redeemer Lives" *LSB 461*

1. **I know that my Redeemer lives;**
   What comfort this sweet sentence gives!
   He lives, He lives, who once was dead;
   He lives, my ever-living head.
2. **He lives triumphant from the grave;**
   He lives eternally to save;
   He lives all-glorious in the sky;
   He lives exalted there on high.

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3. **He lives to bless me with His love;**
   He lives to plead for me above;
   He lives my hungry soul to feed;
   He lives to help in time of need.

7. **He lives and grants me daily breath;**
   He lives, and I shall conquer death;
   He lives my mansion to prepare;
   He lives to bring me safely there.

8. **He lives, all glory to His name!**
   He lives, my Jesus, still the same;
   Oh, the sweet joy this sentence gives:
   I know that my Redeemer lives!

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Officiating: **Rev. Dean M. Davenport**
Organist: **Tom Schroeder**

Please join the family for a luncheon immediately following the service in the gym at the West end of the building.

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In Loving Memory ~



Carolyn J. Huff entered heaven on Halloween 2026. Born to Allan and Elsie Higgins, she grew up in Detroit with her younger brother, Ron. Congenial and admired by many, she once dated three boys named Tom all at the same time in high school. She later graduated from Wayne State University with her bachelor's degree in Education, followed by a master's degree in Guidance and Counseling from the University of Michigan-Ann Arbor. Carolyn graced the classrooms of Detroit Public Schools at Parkman and Owen Elementary Schools. She also taught Sunday school and VBS. One year, her VBS class started out with ten kids. They liked her so much, they kept bringing friends and by the end of the week, she had fifty kids!

Carolyn married Bryan Huff in the summer of 1966. They were married for fifty years. She felt at home in nature and the national parks. She instilled a love of hiking in her children. She hiked part of the Appalachian Trail and many national parks from the Badlands to Death Valley, and from Yellowstone to the Everglades. She even wrestled an alligator very briefly. Her international travel was limited to Canada and Mexico. Gardening was a favorite pastime and she was known for her green thumb.

Carolyn enjoyed going for walks in her neighborhood, and movement and exercise were important to her. She loved to laugh and had a great sense of humor. She was the life of any party she attended. She was the cheerleader for her family and was deeply loved.

Carolyn will be greatly missed by her daughters Kathy (Chris) Breuer, and Christy Huff. Her granddaughter, Elizabeth Breuer, and many nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents, Allan and Elsie Higgins, her husband, Bryan, and her infant son, Stevie.