# A Celebration of the Life of **Anne Louise Newell**



# June 2, 1948 - October 13, 2024

December 7, 2024 2:00 pm St. Andrew Lutheran Church Beaverton, Oregon

# <u>GATHERING</u> prelude

The holy Spirit Calls us together as the people of God.

O Little Town of BethlehemMark SedioAngels We Have Heard on HighMarcia WellsGolden Slumbers/Carry that Weight Lennon & McCartneyGo Tell It on the MountainJohn W. Work, Jr.John W. Work, Jr.I Heard the Bells on Christmas DayPhillip KeversenDeacon Susan Werner Reiser, pianoPhillip Keversen

*Carol of the Bells* Wilhousky, arr. Susan Reiser The Bells of Grace

The prelude prepares our hearts and minds for worship. Please remain quietly seated for the duration.

## WELCOME

## THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

All who are baptized into Christ have put on Christ. In her baptism, Anne was clothed with Christ. In the day of Christ's coming, she shall be clothed with glory.

Eternal God, maker of heaven and earth, who formed us from the dust of the earth, who by your breath gave us life, we glorify you.

#### We glorify you.

Jesus Christ, the resurrection, and the life, who suffered death for all humanity, who rose from the grave to open the way to eternal life, we praise you.

### We praise you.

Holy Spirit, author and giver of life, the comforter of all who sorrow, our sure confidence and everlasting hope, we worship you.

#### We worship you.

To you, O blessed Trinity, be glory and honor, forever and ever. **Amen.** 

#### HYMN

#### GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray. O God of grace and glory, we remember before you today our sister, Anne. We thank you for giving her to us to know and to love as a companion in our pilgrimage on earth. In your boundless compassion, console us who mourn. Give us your aid, so we may see in death the gate to eternal life, that we may continue our course on earth in confidence until, by your call, we are reunited with those who have gone before us; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

#### REMEMBRANCES

**Clover Newell** 

HYMN

On Eagle's Wings

ELW 787

# WORD READING

GOD SPEAKS TO US IN SCRIPTURE READING, PREACHING, AND SONG.

1 Corinthians 13:8-13

A reading from 1 Corinthians.

Love never fails. But where there are prophecies, they will cease; where there are tongues, they will be stilled; where there is knowledge, it will pass away. For we know in part and we prophesy in part, but when completeness comes, what is in part disappears. When I was a child, I talked like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child. At the end of my childhood, I put these ways behind me. For now, we see only a reflection as in a mirror; then we shall see face to face. Now I know in part; then I shall know fully, even as I am fully known.

Word of God, Word of Life. **Thanks be to God.** 

#### READING

Psalm 23

#### A reading from the Psalms.

A Psalm of David. The LORD is my shepherd, I shall not want. He makes me lie down in green pastures; he leads me beside still waters: he restores my soul. He leads me in right paths for his name's sake. Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I fear no evil; for you are with me; your rod and your staff they comfort me. You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD my whole life long.

Word of God, Word of Life. **Thanks be to God.** 

#### GOSPEL

John 14:1-4

The holy gospel according to John. **Glory to you, O God.** 

"Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house there are many dwelling-places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. And you know the way to the place where I am going."

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.** 

#### A MESSAGE OF HOPE

Sister India Jensen Kerr

HYMN

Thy Holy Wings

ELW 613

#### **PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

God of mercy, **hear our prayer.** 

#### LORD'S PRAYER

We pray together as Jesus taught us:

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, the power, and the glory forever and ever.

Amen.

# SENDING COMMENDATION

GOD BLESSES US AND SENDS US OUT.

Let us commend Anne to the mercy of God, our make and redeemer. Into your hands, O merciful Savior, we commend your servant, Anne. Acknowledge, we humbly beseech you, a sheep of your own fold, a lamb of your own flock, a sinner of your own redeeming. Receive her into the arms of your mercy, into the blessed rest of everlasting peace, and into the glorious company of the saints in light. **Amen.** 

# BLESSING

May God enfold us and surround us, In our speaking and in our thinking, In our singing and in our silence. May God protect us when we sleep, In our waking and our watching, In all our hopes and in all our dreams. In our hearts and in our living, In our deeds and in our rest, And in our ever-living soul, May we find God's eternal grace. In the name of the Three of Limitless Love: + Creator, Christ, and Holy Spirit. **Amen.** 

#### DISMISSAL

Let us go forth in peace, in the name of Christ. Amen.

SENDING HYMN	Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee	ELW 836
POSTLUDE	Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee Deacon Susan Werner Reiser, piano	Timothy Albrecht

Reception to follow in Fellowship Hall.

Memorial contributions may be made to St. Andrew Lutheran Church Music Program.

#### **Worship Participants**

Presider: Sister India Jensen Kerr Preacher: Sister India Jensen Kerr Cantor: Martin Mills Musician: Deacon Susan Reiser Tech Team: Paul Navarre Sharing of Memories: Clover Newell Lector: Clover Newell and Pat Christiansen Memorial Service Coordinator: Pat Christiansen Reception Coordinators: Tom & Pam Jelineo

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# Anne Zahn Newell June 2, 1948 – October 13, 2024

Anne (Zahn) Newell passed away quietly early on October 13, 2024. She was blessed to have her dear friend Pam Meredith by her side.

Born in Philadelphia in 1948, Anne grew up in Perry Hall, Maryland and later the Dulaney Valley area with her brothers Robert (passed), Mark, and Paul, and her parents, Stanley and Florence. She was trained in classical piano and voice and loved the theater. She sang in school musicals at Dulaney High School in 1965-66 and at her church. With her mother, she sang in the renowned Baltimore Phoenix Choir.

Anne studied at Western Maryland College and then at the University of Missouri after her family moved to St. Louis. While back in Maryland on a visit, she met and fell in love with David Newell. They were married in May 1970. Anne's continued interest in music was further sparked by David's band, which played venues in Baltimore and Washington, DC. After joining some of her husband's family in San Jose, California, Anne completed her Bachelor's Degree at San Jose State and worked for several start-ups in Silicon Valley as a certified Purchasing Officer. She completed her formal education by getting an MBA at Pepperdine College.

Anne began her life as a mother when she gave birth to her son Hugh in 1984 and daughter Clover in 1986. Soon after, she and her family returned to Maryland, living in Salisbury, Hagerstown, Frederick, and then Ijamsville, as she and her husband continued to work and raise their children.

Eventually, the West Coast called to Anne once again. She found work in San Jose with the intent of relocating the family and when her employer moved the company moved to Beaverton, Oregon, she did too, followed by her family. In Beaverton Anne nurtured her Lutheran roots by joining the congregation at St.

Andrew Lutheran Church. She experienced great joy from singing in the church choir and playing in the bell choir. She also took on the difficult and time-consuming task of bookkeeper at her church.

After her husband passed, Anne was lonely for companionship, which she found with Leeloo, her puppy. The two of them were able to move together into the Hearthstone senior living community on Hart Rd. for her final year of life.

Anne was a wonderful, loving mother; a kind, patient, and insightful sister; a bright and very talented person who will be greatly missed by all her friends and family. Anne, please leave us knowing you were loved and appreciated by all. We bless you and thank you for your presence in our lives.

Those who are unable to attend the service in person may access the live stream at the following link:

https://youtube.com/live/PoXKnMXMz1g

