

*The family thanks you for your presence here today.
Immediately following the service, family and friends
are invited downstairs to Borgwardt Hall
for a time of fellowship and refreshments.
Burial at Roselawn Cemetery, following lunch.*

The family requests memorials to
Bethel Lutheran Church
Badger Honor Flight



Bethel Lutheran Church
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Madison, WI

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***For everything there is a season, and a time
for every matter under heaven.***

Ecclesiastes 3:1

Memorial Worship to Celebrate
New Life in Christ
for

Joyce Dewey
February 2, 1935 – March 21, 2019

March 24, 2019

3:00 p.m.

Celebration of New Life in Christ
for
JOYCE DEWEY

The Prelude

The Welcome

The Gathering Hymn: *"Children of the Heavenly Father"* ELW 781

Pastor: Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the source of all mercy and the God of all consolation, who comforts us in our sorrows, so that we can comfort others in their sorrow with God's consolation, now given to us.

Congregation: **Thanks be to God.**

Pastor: When we were baptized in Christ Jesus, we were baptized into his death. We were buried with him, by baptism into death, so that we, too, like Christ, may be raised to new life, by the glory of the Father. Since we have been united with Christ in death, we shall certainly be united with Christ in resurrection. Now may the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

Congregation: **And also with you.**

Pastor: Let us pray: God of boundless compassion, our only sure comfort in distress, look tenderly upon your children, as we celebrate the life and witness of our sister, Joyce. Lighten our darkness with your presence, assuring us of your never-failing love. Give us faith to see beyond this time and place to the day when we shall see you face to face. Then, all that we now see only dimly, shall be made clear to us. We pray this in Jesus' name. Amen.

The Reading of Holy Scripture

Ecclesiastes 3:1-8
John 14:1-6a

The Homily

Pastor Margo R. Martens

I Was There to Hear Your Borne Cry

Amy Hartsough

The Prayers

The Commendation

Pastor: Let us commend Joyce to the eternally gracious mercy of God, our Maker and Redeemer:

Into your hands, O merciful Savior, we commend your servant, Joyce. Acknowledge, we humbly beseech you, a sheep of your own fold, a lamb of your own flock, a sinner of your own redeeming. Receive Joyce into the arms of your mercy, into the blessed rest of everlasting peace, and into the glorious company of all the saints in light.

Pastor: Let us go forth in peace.

Congregation: **In the name of Christ. Amen.**

The Benediction

The Closing Hymn: *"Amazing Grace"*

ELW 779

Worship Leaders

Officiant: Pastor Margo R. Martens

Musician: Amy Hartsough