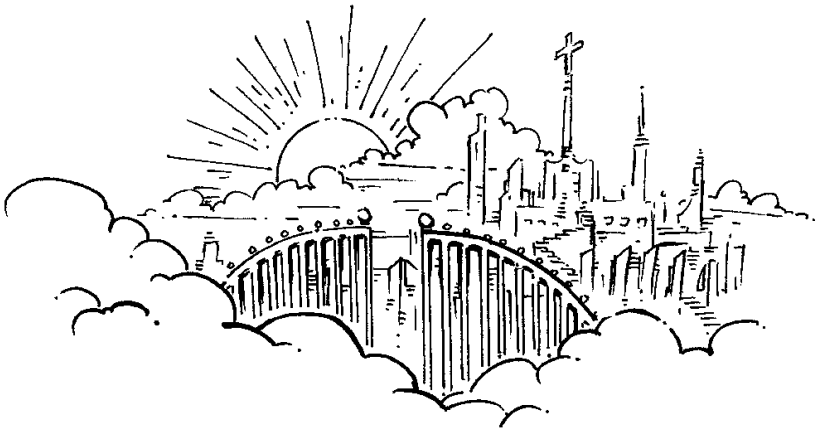


**A WORSHIP SERVICE OF  
COMFORT AND PRAISE  
FOR THE FAMILY AND FRIENDS OF  
DOROTHY E. BEYER**



**BORN ON SEPTEMBER 26, 1922**

**BORN TO ETERNAL LIFE  
ON MARCH 5, 2021**



## **DOROTHY E. BEYER**

On Friday, March 5, 2021, Dorothy E. Beyer went to be with her Lord and Savior. We pause now to reflect on how the Lord blessed Dorothy during her 98 years of life and how God used Dorothy to be a blessing to others.

Dorothy was born September 26, 1922 in Stanberry WI to Otto & Louise (Schroeder) Tramm. On October 25, 1922, she was made a child of God through the power of Holy Baptism. Her baptismal faith was strengthened through instruction in God's Word at St. John's Lutheran School, where she graduated from 8th grade. She was confirmed in the faith on June 5, 1938 at St. John's Lutheran Church in Neillsville, WI. Dorothy remained faithful to her confession of faith until the day of her passing.

Dorothy attended high school in Hayward, WI and then graduated from Neillsville High School. Then the Lord blessed Dorothy with family. She married Elmer Beyer on July 25, 1942 in Neillsville, WI. They were married over 70 years and were blessed with five children.

Dorothy used her God-given abilities to serve others and to support her family. After they were married, Dorothy & Elmer lived on a farm in Globe, WI and then moved to Neillsville where Dorothy worked in a bakery. In 1961 the family moved to Wisconsin Rapids where she worked as a seamstress for many different retail stores.

Dorothy was a member of St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Wisconsin Rapids and belonged to the Willing Workers. She loved sewing, altering and embroidering for family and friends.

She loved watching her grandchildren with all their activities. She was a big fan of the Milwaukee Brewers.

Those thankful for sharing the blessings of Dorothy's life include her three sons, Larry Beyer of Neillsville, WI, Allan (Sue) Beyer of Rice, MN and Roger (Gayle) Beyer of Nekoosa, WI; two daughters, Linda (Bob) Schmick of Chippewa Falls, WI and Nancy (George) Porter of Thunder Bay, Canada; 13 grandchildren; 4 step grandchildren; 17 great grandchildren; 10 step great grandchildren and 3 great great grandchildren. Dorothy is also survived by one sister, Eileen Wheeler of Rockford, IL. She was preceded in death by her parents, husband, one grandson, one great granddaughter, two sisters, and one brother.

May God meet the special needs of each of you who grieve by pointing you to the comfort and strength of Christ's resurrection. Our own rising from death will bring us together again with **Dorothy** in heaven to celebrate the glory of Him who died to set us free!



I'm but a stranger here; Heav'n is my home.  
 Earth is a desert drear; Heav'n is my home.  
 Danger and sorrow stand Round me on ev'ry hand.  
 Heav'n is my fatherland; Heav'n is my home.

What though the tempest rage, Heav'n is my home.  
 Short is my pilgrimage; Heav'n is my home.  
 And time's wild, wintry blast Soon shall be overpast;  
 I shall reach home at last; Heav'n is my home.

There at my Savior's side -- Heav'n is my home.--  
 I shall be glorified; Heav'n is my home.  
 There are the good and blest, Those I love most and best,  
 And there, I, too, shall rest; Heav'n is my home.

Therefore I murmur not; Heav'n is my home.  
 Whate'er my earthly lot, Heav'n is my home.  
 And I shall surely stand There at my Lord's right hand.  
 Heav'n is my fatherland; Heav'n is my home.

#### GREETING AND PRAYER

M: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

We have come together to seek God's comfort in our sorrow and to rejoice in the promise of the resurrection. Grace and peace to you from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ, who said, "Come to me, all who are weary and burdened and I will give you rest."

Let us pray.

Lord, Jesus, you wept at the grave of your friend Lazarus, and you consoled Mary and Martha in their distress. Draw near to us who mourn for **Dorothy** and dry the tears of all who weep.

Calm our troubled hearts, dispel our doubts and fears, and lead us to praise you for having brought **her** to faith. In your rising from the dead, you conquered death and opened the gates to eternal life. Strengthen us with your Word, and lead us through this earthly life until at last we are united with you and all saints in glory everlasting. Amen.

## READING

*Psalm 23*

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. (KJV)

## RESURRECTION COMFORT

M: Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who comforts us in all our troubles, so 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 will live, even though he dies; and whoever lives and believes in me will never die."

M: Death has been swallowed up in victory! Thanks be to God!

**C: He gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.**

M: When Christ, who is our life, appears,

**C: Then we also will appear with him in glory.**

M: We will be before the throne of God

**C: And serve him day and night in his temple.**

M: Never again will we hunger;

**C: Never again will we thirst.**

M: 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.**

M: Let us pray.

God of all grace, you sent your Son Jesus to destroy the power of death and to open the kingdom of heaven to all believers. Make us certain that because he lives, we too shall live. Comfort us with your promise that neither death nor life nor things present nor things to come shall be able to separate us from your love which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

**C: Amen.**

## READING

*Job 19:25-27*

<sup>25</sup> For I know that my redeemer liveth, and that he shall stand at the latter day upon the earth: <sup>26</sup> And though after my skin worms destroy this body, yet in my flesh shall I see God: <sup>27</sup> Whom I shall see for myself, and mine eyes shall behold, and not another; though my reins be consumed within me. (KJV)

**READING***1 Thessalonians 4:13-18*

<sup>13</sup> But I would not have you to be ignorant, brethren, concerning them which are asleep, that ye sorrow not, even as others which have no hope. <sup>14</sup> For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so them also which sleep in Jesus will God bring with him. <sup>15</sup> For this we say unto you by the word of the Lord, that we which are alive and remain unto the coming of the Lord shall not prevent them which are asleep. <sup>16</sup> For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first: <sup>17</sup> Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord. <sup>18</sup> Wherefore comfort one another with these words. (KJV)

**READING***Matthew 9:18-19,23-26*

<sup>18</sup> While he spake these things unto them, behold, there came a certain ruler, and worshipped him, saying, My daughter is even now dead: but come and lay thy hand upon her, and she shall live. <sup>19</sup> And Jesus arose, and followed him, and so did his disciples.

<sup>23</sup> And when Jesus came into the ruler's house, and saw the minstrels and the people making a noise, <sup>24</sup> He said unto them, Give place: for the maid is not dead, but sleepeth. And they laughed him to scorn.

<sup>25</sup> But when the people were put forth, he went in, and took her by the hand, and the maid arose.

<sup>26</sup> And the fame hereof went abroad into all that land. (KJV)

HYMN

*Jesus, Savior, Pilot Me*

Jesus, Savior, pilot me  
Over life's tempestuous sea;  
Unknown waves before me roll,  
Hiding rock and treach'rous shoal.  
Chart and compass come from thee:  
Jesus, Savior, pilot me.

As a mother stills her child,  
Thou canst hush the ocean wild.  
Boist'rous waves obey thy will  
When thou say'st to them, "Be still!"  
Wondrous Sov'reign of the sea,  
Jesus, Savior, pilot me.

When at last I near the shore  
And the fearful breakers roar  
'Twixt me and the peaceful rest,  
Then, while leaning on thy breast,  
May I hear thee say to me,  
"Fear not! I will pilot thee."

SERMON

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

I believe 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 is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there 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.**

## **PRAYERS**

**M:** Almighty God, we praise you for the great company of saints who have finished their lives in faith and now rest from their labors. We remember especially our loved one, **Dorothy Beyer**, whom you have redeemed by the blood of your Son and received as your dear child through Holy Baptism. We thank you for giving **her** to us as a companion on our earthly pilgrimage. In your compassion, comfort all who are sad in this hour. Lord, in your mercy,

**C: Hear our prayer.**

**M:** We praise you for your love in Christ, which sustains us in life and death. In our earthly sorrows, help us find strength in the fellowship of the church, joy in the forgiveness of sins, and hope in the resurrection to eternal life. Lord, in your mercy,

**C: Hear our prayer.**

**M:** You do not leave us comfortless but strengthen and care for us through your Word and sacrament. You give us family, friends, and neighbors to help when there is loneliness now and in the days to come. Brighten our future with a firm trust in your promises and care. Lord, in your mercy,

**C: Hear our prayer.**

## **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**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.**

## BLESSING

M: The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.  
The Lord look on you with favor and give you peace.

C: Amen.

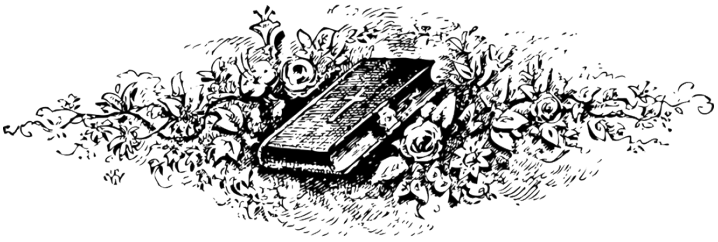
## HYMN

*Take My Hand and Lead Me*

Lord, take my hand and lead me  
Upon life's way;  
Direct, protect and feed me  
From day to day.  
Without your grace and favor  
I go astray;  
So take my hand, O Savior,  
And lead the way.

Lord, when the tempest rages,  
I need not fear;  
For you, the Rock of Ages,  
Are always near.  
Close by your side abiding,  
I fear no foe,  
For when your hand is guiding,  
In peace I go.

Lord, when the shadows lengthen  
And night has come,  
I know that you will strengthen  
My steps toward home,  
And nothing can impede me,  
O blessed Friend!  
So take my hand and lead me  
Unto the end.



*The committal service will take place at  
Restlawn Memorial Park Cemetery.*



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