



A Celebration of Life for

Laura Christine Franklin

May 22, 1979 – February 14, 2026





Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling

1. Softly and tenderly Jesus is calling,
calling for you and for me.
See, on the portals he's waiting and watching,
watching for you and for me.

Refrain: "Come home, come home!
You who are weary, come home."
Earnestly, tenderly, Jesus is calling,
calling, "O sinner, come home!"

2. Why should we tarry when Jesus is pleading,
pleading for you and for me?
Why should we linger and heed not his mercies,
mercies for you and for me? (*refrain*)
3. Oh, for the wonderful love he has promised,
promised for you and for me!
Though we have sinned, he has mercy and pardon,
pardon for you and for me. (*refrain*)

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2pm

Prelude	<i>Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)</i>
Processional	
Welcome	
Invocation	
Opening Prayer	
Opening Hymn	<i>Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling</i>
Remembrances	Kyla Mattson Amanda Schuster
Solo	<i>Gone Too Soon</i>
Scripture Readings	Ecclesiastes 3:1-4 John 3:16-17 Romans 8:38-39
Sermon	
Solo	<i>Well Done</i>
Prayers	
The Lord's Prayer	
Commendation	
Benediction	
Recessional	<i>See You Again</i>

Rev. Dr. Joel Wight Hoogheem – Pastor

David Frank – Pianist

Dana Craig – Soloist

Joey McFarland, Tim Murphy & Linda Zingleman – Readers

To view a recording of this service, visit lordoflife.org/celebrationoflife

Thank you from Laura's family

We are deeply grateful for the overwhelming love and support shown by our family, friends, and community during this difficult time. The kindness, prayers, flowers, calls and visits have meant more to us than words can express.

Celebrating the life of our beloved Laura is made even more special by the presence and support of so many who care. Your stories, memories and shared moments give comfort and remind us of the lasting impact Laura had on so many lives.

Thank you for standing with us, lifting us up and surrounding us with strength and compassion. We are truly blessed to be part of such a caring community.

With heartfelt appreciation,

Bryan, Maggie and Danny



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