



SURELY GOODNESS  
AND MERCY SHALL  
FOLLOW ME ALL THE  
DAYS OF MY LIFE:

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*I will dwell  
in the house of  
the Lord forever.*

Psalm 23:6

Celebration of  
*Carolyn J. Miske*

April 24, 2026

Our Father's Lutheran Church  
3903 Gilbert Ave SE, Rockford, MN 55373

*\* Please stand if you are able*

**PRELUDE**

Tammy Jarvi

**GREETING\***

P: Blessed by the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the source of all mercy and consolation, who comforts us in all our sorrows so that we can comfort others in their sorrows with the consolation we ourselves have received from God.

**A: Amen.**

**PROCESSIONAL HYMN\***

Amazing Grace

1 Amazing grace how sweet the sound  
that saved a wretch like me!

I once was lost, but now am found,  
was blind, but now I see.

2 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,  
and grace my fears relieved;  
how precious did that grace appear  
the hour I first believed!

3 Through many dangers, toils and snares  
I have already come:  
'tis grace has brought me safe thus far,  
and grace will lead me home.

4 The Lord has promised good to me,  
his word my hope secures;  
he will my shield and portion be  
as long as life endures.

5 When we've been there ten thousand years  
bright, shining as the sun  
we've no less days to sing God's praise  
than when we first begun.

### **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

P: Almighty God, source of all mercy and giver of comfort, graciously tend to those who mourn, that, casting all their sorrow on you, they may know the consolation of your love; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

**A: Amen.**

### **READINGS & REMEMBRANCES**

Psalm 23

Kinley Greer

Eulogy

Ryan Miske

Corinthians 5: 1, 5-8

Scottlynn Greer

Eulogy

Jodie Greer

John 14:1-7

**HOMILY**

Pastor Dana Peterson

## **HYMN OF THE DAY\***

In the Garden

1 I come to the garden alone,  
While the dew is still on the roses;  
And the voice I hear, falling on my ear,  
The Son of God discloses.

Refrain:

And He walks with me, and He talks with me,  
And He tells me I am His own,  
And the joy we share as we tarry there,  
None other has ever known.

2 He speaks, and the sound of His voice  
Is so sweet the birds hush their singing;  
And the melody that He gave to me  
Within my heart is ringing. [Refrain]

3 I'd stay in the garden with Him  
Tho' the night around me be falling;  
But He bids me go; thro' the voice of woe,  
His voice to me is calling. [Refrain]

## **PRAYER**

God of all grace, you sent your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, to bring life and immortality to light. We give you thanks because by his death Jesus destroyed the power of heaven to all believers. Make us certain that because he lives we shall live also, and 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, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

## COMMENDATION

P: Into your hands, O merciful Savior, we commend your servant Carolyn. Acknowledge, this 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.

**A: Amen.**

P: Affirming God's goodness, and trusting in the everlasting promise of life eternal, of which now Carolyn enjoys, let us pray the prayer our Lord Jesus taught us.

**A: Our Father in Heaven, hallowed by your name. Your kingdom come. Your will be done. On earth as it is in Heaven. Give today our daily bread. And forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.**

## BLESSING\*

P: The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, make you complete in everything good so that you may do God's will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in God's sight; through Jesus Christ, to whom be the glory forever and ever.

**A: Amen.**

## **RECESSIONAL HYMN\***

### **How Great Thou Art**

1 O Lord, my God, when I in awesome wonder  
consider all the works thy hands 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,  
and 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 And 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]

## **DISMISSAL**

P: Let us go in peace.

*The family invites all in attendance to join them in the fellowship hall to share a meal, and good memories of Carolyn.*

*Carolyn's private committal will be held at Ft. Snelling National Cemetery, where she will rest alongside her beloved husband Richard.*

### **HONORARY PALLBEARERS**

Joey Herrmann  
Mike Herrmann  
Matt Schaefer  
Chris Schaefer  
Scottlynn Greer  
Kinley Greer

*I got heaven on my mind, I got people waiting by  
Close my eyes and I can see, dancing on them golden streets  
Got me dreaming of the day, never leave, we get to stay  
'Til I see that welcome sign, I ain't even gonna lie  
I got heaven on my mind, on my mind*

*When this world's behind me and my days are through  
You try and find me, I'll try and find you.  
When the world's behind me and we see it's all true  
You know where to find me, I'll know that I'll find you,  
I'll come and find you in heaven.  
- Toby Mac*

Thank you for sharing part of your day with our family as we honor Carolyn. Your encouragement and prayers are greatly appreciated.

*The Family of Carolyn Miske*

