

A vertical rectangular image featuring a sunset over a green field. The sky is filled with dark, dramatic clouds, with a bright sun low on the horizon casting a golden glow. The field below is a lush green. The entire scene is framed by a thin white border.

I AM THE RESURRECTION,  
AND THE LIFE: HE THAT

*believeth  
in me*

THOUGH HE WERE DEAD,  
YET SHALL HE *live.*

JOHN 11:25

**† From Life to Eternal Life with Jesus †**  
**A Service in the Promises and the Presence of Christ**  
**Marilyn L. Holmquist**  
**March 2, 2026 – 11:00am**

**GREETING / HYMN** *For All The Saints* #677 (v. 1, 2, 7 & 8)

**INVOCATION**

**Pastor:** Remembering the waters of our baptism, we gather in the name of the Father, and of the Son †, and of the Holy Spirit.

**Cong.:** Amen.

**OPENING PRAYER**

**P:** Lord God of grace and mercy, we thank You for Your plan of salvation! You revealed Your plans to Marilyn in the waters of Holy Baptism calling her as Your beloved child. You wrapped Your robe of righteousness around Marilyn as You gave her faith nurtured in the power of Your Word. Jesus, thank you for the victory You won for Marilyn on that first Easter. We look forward to the day You return, when You will fulfill Your resurrection promises to us. Grant that we also may be faithful unto death, trusting in Your promise of eternal life; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C: Amen!**

**HYMN** *Abide With Me* #878 (v. 1, 5 & 6)

**RESPONSIVE READING:** Psalm 36:5-10

**HYMN** *Be Still My Soul* #752

**SCRIPTURE READINGS**

**OT:** Isaiah 60:1-5 (ESV)

**NT:** 1 John 1:5-10 (ESV)

**Gospel:** Matthew 5:14-16 (ESV)

**HYMN** *I Know That My Redeemer Lives* #461 (v. 1, 2, 5 & 8)

## **Psalm 36:5-10 – Responsive Reading**

*P:* Your steadfast love, O LORD, extends to the heavens,  
**C:** Your faithfulness to the clouds.

*P:* Your righteousness is like the mountains of God.  
**C:** Your judgments are like the great deep; man and beast you save, O LORD.

*P:* How precious is your steadfast love, O God!  
**C:** The children of mankind take refuge in the shadow of your wings.

*P:* They feast on the abundance of your house,  
**C:** And you give them drink from the river of your delights.

*P:* For with you is the fountain of life,  
**C:** In your light do we see light.

*P:* Oh, continue your steadfast love to those who know you,  
**C:** And your righteousness to the upright of heart!

## **Isaiah 60:1-5 (ESV)**

<sup>1</sup> Arise, shine, for your light has come, and the glory of the LORD has risen upon you.

<sup>2</sup> For behold, darkness shall cover the earth, and thick darkness the peoples; but the LORD will arise upon you, and His glory will be seen upon you. <sup>3</sup> And nations shall come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your rising. <sup>4</sup> Lift up your eyes all around, and see; they all gather together, they come to you; your sons shall come from afar, and your daughters shall be carried on the hip. <sup>5</sup> Then you shall see and be radiant; your heart shall thrill and exult, because the abundance of the sea shall be turned to you, the wealth of the nations shall come to you.

**1 John 1:5-10** (ESV)

*<sup>5</sup> This is the message we have heard from Him and proclaim to you, that God is light, and in Him is no darkness at all. <sup>6</sup> If we say we have fellowship with Him while we walk in darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth. <sup>7</sup> But if we walk in the light, as He is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus His Son cleanses us from all sin. <sup>8</sup> If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. <sup>9</sup> If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. <sup>10</sup> If we say we have not sinned, we make Him a liar, and His Word is not in us.*

**Matthew 5:14-16** (ESV)

*<sup>14</sup> "You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden. <sup>15</sup> Nor do people light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a stand, and it gives light to all in the house. <sup>16</sup> In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven.*

**MESSAGE**

*Lit by the Light of Christ!*

**HYMN**

*Now Thank We All Our God #895*

**PRAYER OF THE CHURCH & THE LORD’S PRAYER**

**P:** Heavenly Father, we praise You for Your love which protects and sustains us in life and in death. In our earthly sorrows, help us to find comfort in Your promises nourished through Your Word. We especially ask for Your peace and comfort upon Marilyn’s family and her many friends. Lord, we thank you for the legacy of Marilyn’s walk in Your light. Indeed, Marilyn was *Lit by the Light of Christ!* You gave her such joy in all of the various callings You gave her in life because she trusted in You. Most importantly, You called Marilyn to walk in Your light as Your child, and she reflected Your light in beautiful ways in her home, her church family, and in her community. Thank you for being faithful to her as she now rests in Your heavenly light forever! Bless the people gathered here, Lord, as they trust in your promises to Marilyn... and to them. We pray all this in the name of Jesus Christ, Your Son, and our Savior who taught us to pray...

**C:** **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.**

**HYMN**

*Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee #803*

**ANNOUNCEMENTS / BENEDICTION**

**We Thank Those Serving:**

- Officiate**.....Rev. Jeff Hesse (St. John’s Luth. Church)
- Readers**.....Ann West, John Holmquist & Sue Alexander (children)
- Musician**.....Rachel Morton (St. John’s Luth. Church)
- Sexton**.....Robert Krause (St. John’s Luth. Church)
- Funeral Home**.....Myrhum-Patten Funeral Home

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