

**CELEBRATION  
OF LIFE  
For Maureen Jenkins**



**Born: 17 February 1959**

**Died: 24 March 2020**



**A Celebration of Life for  
Maureen Jenkins**  
*February 17, 1959 – March 24, 2020*

**Online and In-Person Service**  
**Thursday, September 24, 2020**  
**2:00PM**

**St. Paul's Anglican Church**  
10127 – 145 Street  
Edmonton, AB

**Celebrant:** Rev. Dr. Myron Penner

**Musician:** Jodi Penner

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**Prelude**

**Opening Sentences** Rev. Dr. Myron Penner

**Opening Song** *Hallelujah*

**Opening Prayer**

Rev. Myron: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Rev. Myron: Let us pray. God of all consolation, in your unending love and mercy you turn the darkness of death into the dawn of new life. Show compassion to your people in their sorrow. Be our refuge and our strength to lift us from the darkness of grief to the peace and light of your presence. Your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, by dying for us, conquered death and by rising again, restored life. May we then go

forward eagerly to meet him, and after our life on earth be reunited with our brothers and sisters where every tear will be wiped away. We ask this through Jesus Christ, the Lord.

**All: Amen.**

### **Scripture Readings**

Psalm 23

Kristin Jenkins

*The LORD is my shepherd, I shall not be in want. He makes me lie down in green pastures, he leads me beside quiet waters, he restores my soul. He guides me in paths of righteousness for his name's sake. Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me. You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies. You anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows. Surely goodness and love will follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever.*

John 14:1-6

Heather Klimchuk

*“Do not let your hearts be troubled. You believe in God; believe also in me. My Father’s house has many rooms; if that were not so, would I have told you that I am going there to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back and take you to be with me that you also may be where I am. You know the way to the place where I am going.” Thomas said to him, “Lord, we don’t know where you are going, so how can we know the way?” Jesus answered, “I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.*

**Sermon**

Rev. Dr. Myron Penner

## Eulogy

David Jenkins

Jason Jenkins

## Prayers

Rev. Myron: God of grace and glory, we thank you for Maureen, who was so near and dear to us, and who has now been taken from us. We thank you for her relationships and for the strength and peace she brought. We thank you for the love she offered and received while she was with us on earth. We pray that nothing good in this woman's life will be lost, but that it will continue to be of benefit to the world; that all that was important to her will be respected by those who follow; and that everything in which she was great will continue to mean much to us now that she is dead. We ask you that she will go on living in her children, her family and her friends; in their hearts and minds, in their courage and their consciences. We ask you that those who were close to her may now, because of her death, be even closer to each other, and that we may, in peace and friendship here on earth, always be deeply conscious of your promise to be faithful to us in death. We pray for ourselves, who are severely tested by this death, that we do not try to minimize this loss, or seek refuge from it in words alone, and also that we do not brood over it so that it overwhelms us and isolates us from others. May God grant us courage and confidence in the new life of Christ. We ask this in the name of the risen Lord.

**All: Amen.**

## The Lord's Prayer

Rev. Myron: And now, as our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

**All:** 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, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

**Song** *Winds of God*

### **The Commendation**

**All:** Give rest, O Christ, to your servants with your saints, where sorrow and pain are no more, neither sighing, but life everlasting. You only are immortal, the creator and maker of all; and we are mortal, formed of the earth, and to earth shall we return. For so did you ordain when you created me, saying, "You are dust, and to dust you shall return." All of us go down to the dust; yet even at the grave we make our song: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. Give rest, O Christ, to your servants with your saints, where sorrow and pain are no more, neither sighing, but life everlasting.

**The Blessing** Rev. Dr. Myron Penner

### **Dismissal**

Rev. Myron: Go forth in the name of Christ.

**People:** Thanks be to God.

**Closing Song** *What a Wonderful World*

### **Postlude**





# Do Not Stand At My Grave and Weep

*Written by Mary Elizabeth Frye*

Do not stand at my grave and weep

I am not there. I do not sleep.

I am a thousand winds that blow.

I am the diamond glints on snow.

I am the sunlight on ripened grain.

I am the gentle autumn rain.

When you awaken in the morning's hush

I am the swift uplifting rush

Of quiet birds in circled flight.

I am the soft stars that shine at night.

Do not stand at my grave and cry;

I am not there. I did not die.