

Celebration of God's Love in the Life of
PEARL H. MENGEL

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Our Redeemer

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Prelude

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

Invocation

P In the name of the Father and of the ✝ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

Remembrance of Baptism

P In Holy Baptism Pearl Mengel was clothed with the robe of Christ's righteousness that covered all her sin. St. Paul says: "Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into His death?"

C We were buried therefore with Him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life. For if we have been united with Him in a death like His, we shall certainly be united with Him in a resurrection like His.

Kyrie

P Lord, have mercy upon us.

C Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray. O God of grace and mercy, we give thanks for Your loving-kindness shown to Pearl Mengel and to all Your servants who, having finished their course in faith, now rest from their labors. Grant that we also may be faithful unto death and receive the crown 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.

Old Testament Reading *Isaiah 35:5–8*

5Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf unstopped; 6then shall the lame man leap like a deer, and the tongue of the mute sing for joy. For waters break forth in the wilderness, and streams in the desert; 7the burning sand shall become a pool, and the thirsty ground springs of water; in the haunt of jackals, where they lie down, the grass shall become reeds and rushes. 8And a highway shall be there, and it shall be called the Way of Holiness; the unclean shall not pass over it. It shall belong to those who walk on the way; even if they are fools, they shall not go astray.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Epistle *Revelation 21:1–7*

1Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. 2And I saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. 3And I

heard a loud voice from the throne saying, “Behold, the dwelling place of God is with man. He will dwell with them, and they will be his people, and God himself will be with them as their God. 4He will wipe away every tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning nor crying nor pain anymore, for the former things have passed away.”

5And he who was seated on the throne said, “Behold, I am making all things new.” Also he said, “Write this down, for these words are trustworthy and true.” 6And he said to me, “It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give from the spring of the water of life without payment. 7The one who conquers will have this heritage, and I will be his God and he will be my son.”

A This is the Word of the Lord.
C Thanks be to God.

Stand

Holy Gospel *Mark 7:31–37*

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the seventh chapter.
C Glory to You, O Lord.

31[Jesus] returned from the region of Tyre and went through Sidon to the Sea of Galilee,
in the region of the Decapolis. 32And they brought to him a man who was deaf and had a
speech impediment, and they begged him to lay his hand on him. 33And taking him aside
from the crowd privately, he put his fingers into his ears, and after spitting touched his
tongue. 34And looking up to heaven, he sighed and said to him, "Ephphatha," that is, "Be
opened." 35And his ears were opened, his tongue was released, and he spoke plainly.
36And Jesus charged them to tell no one. But the more he charged them, the more
zealously they proclaimed it. 37And they were astonished beyond measure, saying, "He
has done all things well. He even makes the deaf hear and the mute speak."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.
C Praise to You, O Christ.

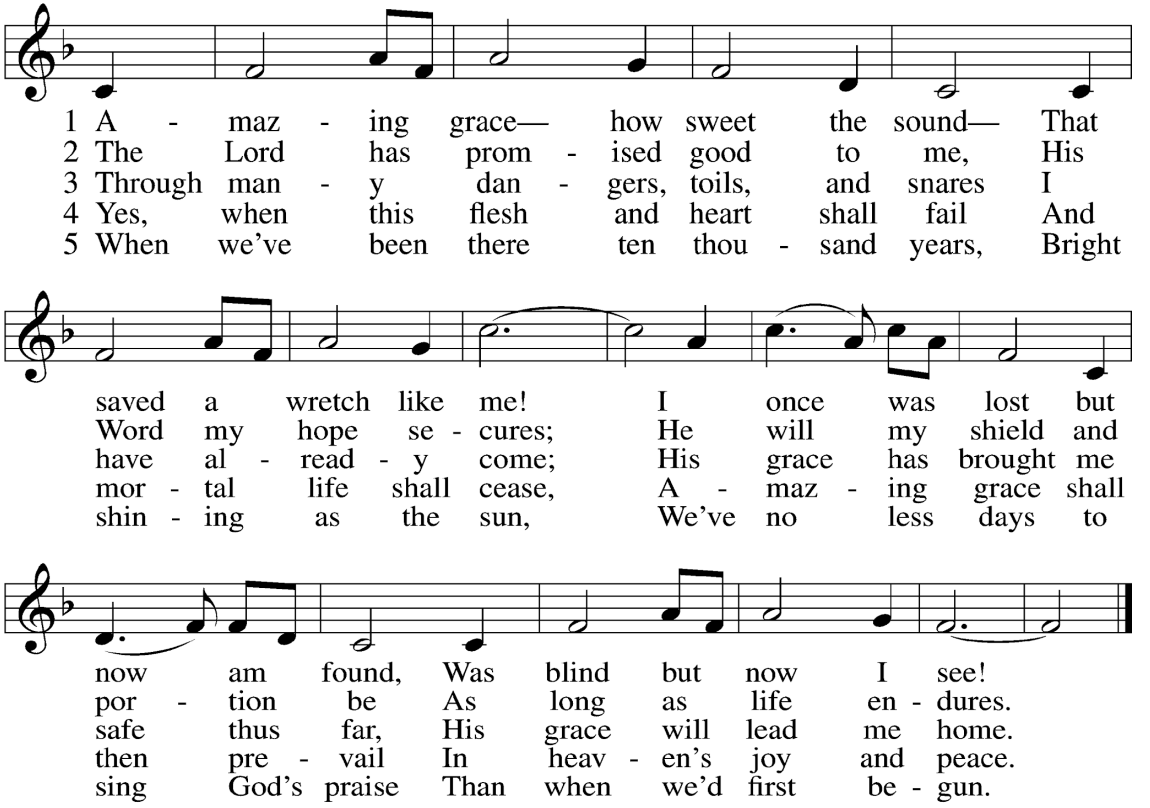
Apostles' Creed

P God has made us His people through our Baptism into Christ. Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith.
C I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And 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 sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From thence 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.

Hymn of the Day **Amazing Grace** **LSB744***sts. 1–5*



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Sit

Sermon **Pastor Schwartz**

Prayer of the Church

P Let us pray to the Lord, our God and Father, who raised Jesus from the dead.

P Almighty God, You have knit Your chosen people together into one communion in the mystical body of Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. Give to Your whole Church in heaven and on earth Your light and peace. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Grant that all who have been baptized into Christ's death and resurrection may die to sin and rise to newness of life and so pass with Him through the gate of death and the grave to our joyful resurrection. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Grant that all who have been nourished by the holy body and blood of Your Son may be raised to immortality and incorruption to be seated with Him at Your heavenly banquet. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Give to the family of Pearl Mengel and to all who mourn comfort in their grief and a sure confidence in Your loving care that, casting all their sorrow on You, they may know the consolation of Your love. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Give courage and faith to the bereaved, that within the communion of Your Church they may have strength to meet the days ahead in the assurance of a holy and certain hope and in the joyful expectation of eternal life with those they love who have departed in the faith. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Help us, we pray, in the midst of things we cannot understand, to believe and find comfort in the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Receive our thanks for Pearl Mengel and for all the blessings You bestowed on her in this earthly life. Bring us at last to our heavenly home that with her we may see You face to face in the joys of paradise. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P O God of all grace, You sent Your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, to bring life and immortality to light. We give You thanks that by His death He destroyed the power of death and by His resurrection He opened the kingdom of heaven to all believers. Strengthen us in the confidence that because He lives we shall live also, and that neither death nor life nor things present nor things to come will 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.

C Amen.

Lord's Prayer

P Taught by our Lord and trusting His promises, we are bold 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.

Nunc Dimittis

A "I am the resurrection and the life," says the Lord. "He who believes in Me will live, even though he dies; and whoever lives and believes in Me will never die."

C Lord, now You let Your servant go in peace;
Your word has been fulfilled.
My own eyes have seen the salvation
which You have prepared in the sight of every people:
a light to reveal You to the nations
and the glory of Your people Israel.
Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

A "I am the resurrection and the life," says the Lord. "He who believes in Me will live, even though he dies; and whoever lives and believes in Me will never die."

Concluding Collect

P The Lord be with you.
C And also with you.
P Let us pray. Lord God, our shepherd, You gather the lambs of Your flock into the arms of Your mercy and bring them home. Comfort us with the certain hope of the resurrection to everlasting life and a joyful reunion with those we love who have died in the faith; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
C Amen.

Stand

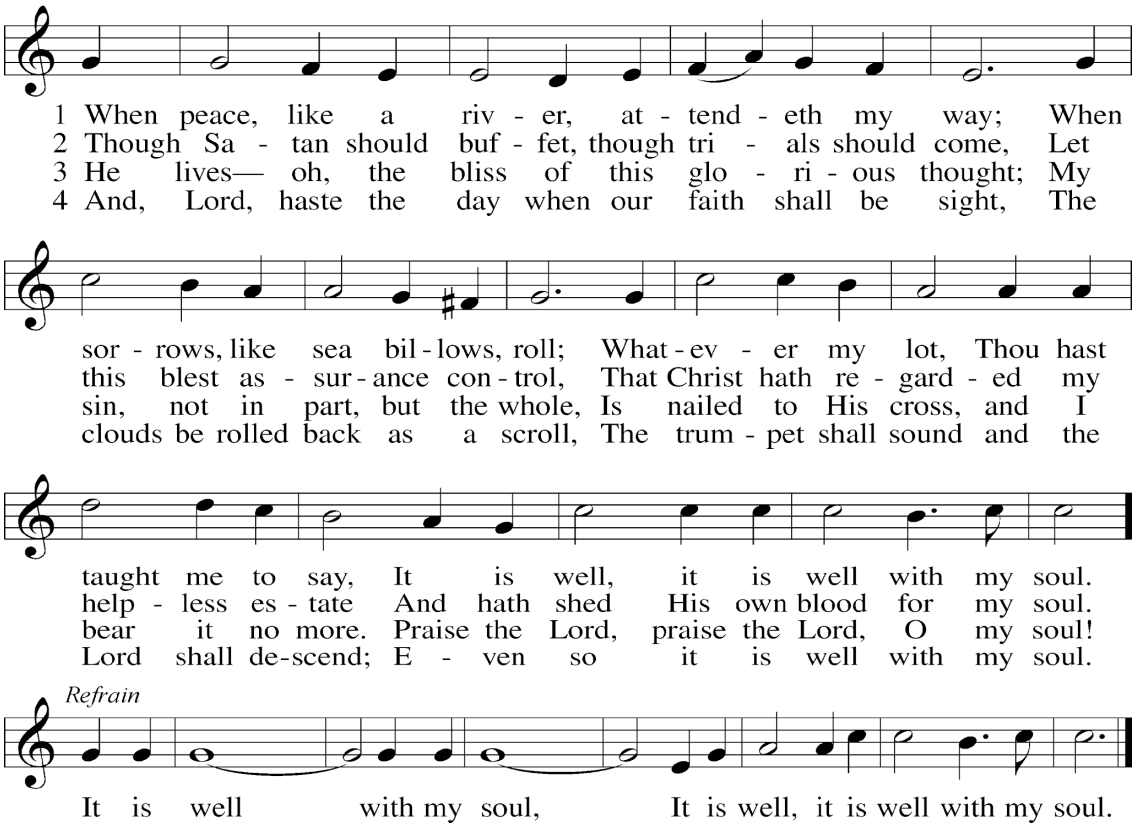
Benedicamus

L Let us bless the Lord.
C Thanks be to God.

Benediction and Dismissal

P The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.
The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and ✝ give you peace.
C Amen.
P Let us go forth in peace,
C in the name of the Lord. Amen.

Closing Hymn **When Peace, like a River** **LSB763**



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Christian Obituary

Pearl Helen Thieme Mengel, age 87, died on Saturday, April 1, 2023 in Wisconsin. She was born on December 2, 1935 in Curtiss, the daughter of Arthur E. and Alvina (Theilig) Thieme. She attended school for the deaf in Delavan, Wisconsin. Pearl was united in marriage to the love of her life, Richard Lee Mengel on January 7, 1956 in Owen.

She worked at Master Package in Owen as a machine operator. Pearl moved to Evans, Georgia in 1994 to live with her daughter. Despite being deaf, she was a great mother. Pearl enjoyed sewing, reading, putting together puzzles and card games. Most importantly, she loved and cherished her family.

Pearl is survived by her four children: Catherina (Theodore) Brand of Evans, GA, Patrick Mengel of Colby, WI, Charles Mengel of Dorchester and Jeffrey (Joyce) Mengel of Withee, WI; 13 grandchildren; 9 great grandchildren; two sisters; Laverna Marcott of Curtiss, WI and Annette Frahmann of Shelton, WA and a lot of other relatives and friends.

She was preceded in death by her loving husband, Richard on December 2, 1994; her son, Rex Mengel, and 3 brothers. Pearl was buried at Riverside Cemetery in Withee, WI.