

In Loving Memory of  
Patricia Moye Hessee

July 3, 1940 - May 5, 2022



Grace Lutheran Church

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**Patricia Moye Hessee, a loving wife, family woman and local philanthropist, passed away peacefully on Thursday, May 5th in Winter Park, Florida. She was 81 years old.**

**Patricia was born July 3, 1940 in Jacksonville, Florida to Thomas and Louise Moye. She graduated from Andrew Jackson High School in 1958. After school, she worked for the City of Jacksonville for seventeen years before retiring as a budget analyst at the City of Jacksonville Electric Authority.**

**Patricia was a woman of faith who was passionate about giving back to those less fortunate than her. In partnership with her late husband, Claude Hessee, Patricia spent decades serving the local community through her work with several Lutheran churches along the Florida East Coast. She helped to spearhead numerous projects including the development of the Cedar Creek Life Center for Faith Lutheran Church, Open Arms Childcare Center for Trinity Lutheran Church, and the Alzheimer's Community Care Center for Grace Lutheran Church. She was also active in serving the local homeless at meal centers in the Treasure Coast area.**

**Amongst her family and friends, Patricia was known for her outgoing personality, quick-witted sense of humor, and boundless compassion. She loved to travel with Claude and her family, visiting countless countries across all seven continents during her lifetime. More than anything, she loved God and her family. Her family has cherished time spent with Patricia. As a wife, mother, sister, grandmother, and aunt, she was loved by many, and she will be dearly missed.**

**Patricia was predeceased by her husband, Claude Hessee, and her younger sister Kathryn Fertig. She is survived by her sister Deanne McWilliams; her daughter Karen Hood; and her grandchildren Martin, Matthew, and Patrick Hood.**

As the Church conducts the Christian into the Body of Christ through holy baptism and sustains faith through preaching and holy communion, so at death the church proclaims our glorious hope in the resurrection of the dead and life everlasting. As Christ was raised from death to life, so also those who die in the fellowship of Christ share His resurrection.

## **THE OPENING HYMN**

### **“Abide With Me”**

**Abide with me, fast falls the even tide,  
The darkness deepens; Lord, with me abide.  
When other helpers fail and comforts flee,  
Help of the helpless, oh, abide with me.**

**I need thy presence ev’ry passing hour;  
What but thy grace can foil the tempter’s pow’r?  
Who like thyself my guide and stay can be?  
Through cloud and sunshine, oh, abide with me.**

**I fear no foe with thee at hand to bless;  
Ills have no weight, and tears no bitterness.  
Where is death’s sting? Where, grave, thy victory?  
I triumph still if thou abide with me!**

**Hold thou thy cross before my closing eyes,  
Shine through the gloom, and point me to the skies;  
Heav’n’s morning breaks, and earth’s vain shadows flee;  
In life, in death, O Lord, abide with me.**



## - Invocation

*Pastor: We are gathered to strengthen and comfort one another in the name of our living God: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,*

**PEOPLE: Amen**

*Pastor: The Lord be with you.*

**PEOPLE: And also with you.**

*Pastor: Let us pray:*

*O God of grace and mercy, we give thanks for Your loving-kindness shown to Pat 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. **Amen.***

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## THE FIRST READING: Romans 8:28-39

And we know that for those who love God all things work together for good, for those who are called according to his purpose. For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn among many brothers. And those whom he predestined he also called, and those whom he called he also justified, and those whom he justified he also glorified.

What then shall we say to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us? He who did not spare his own Son but gave him up for us all, how will he not also with him graciously give us all things? Who shall bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. Who is to condemn? Christ Jesus is the one who died—more than that, who was raised—who is at the right hand of God, who indeed is interceding

for us. Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or danger, or sword? As it is written,

“For your sake we are being killed all the day long;  
we are regarded as sheep to be slaughtered.”

No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

*Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.*

**PEOPLE: THANKS BE TO GOD.**

## THE SECOND READING: Psalm 23

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.

He makes me lie down in green pastures.

He leads me beside still waters.

He restores my soul.

He leads 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 mercy shall follow me

all the days of my life,

and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

*Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.*

**PEOPLE: THANKS BE TO GOD**

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## THE HOLY GOSPEL: John 10:27-30

My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they will never perish, and no one will snatch them out of my hand. My Father, who has given them to me, is greater than all, and no one is

able to snatch them out of the Father's hand. I and the Father are one."

*Pastor: The Gospel of the Lord*

**PEOPLE: PRAISE TO YOU, O CHRIST**

## **“The Old Rugged Cross”** (MM 71 Vs.1-3)

Pre-recorded music file (George Bennard)

**On a hill far away stood an old rugged cross,  
the emblem of suffering and shame;  
and I love that old cross where the dearest and best  
for a world of lost sinners was slain. (REFRAIN)**

**SO I’LL CHERISH THE OLD RUGGED CROSS,  
TILL MY TROPHIES AT LAST I LAY DOWN;  
I WILL CLING TO THE OLD RUGGED CROSS,  
AND EXCHANGE IT SOME DAY FOR A CROWN.**

**Oh that old rugged cross so despised by the world,  
has a wondrous attraction for me;  
for the dear Lamb of God left His glory above,  
to bear it to dark Calvary. (REFRAIN)**

**To the old rugged cross I will ever be true  
its shame and reproach gladly bear;  
Christ will call me some day to my home far away,  
where His glory forever I’ll share. (REFRAIN)**

## **Memorial Devotion**

- Pastor Ron Engel

### **PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH**

*Pastor: 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,*

**PEOPLE: Hear Our Prayer**

*Pastor: Give to Pat’s family, 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,*

**PEOPLE: Hear Our Prayer**

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

**PEOPLE: Hear Our Prayer**

*Pastor: Receive our thanks for Pat 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,*

**PEOPLE: Hear Our Prayer**

*Pastor: O God of all grace, You sent Your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, to bring light, life, and immortality. 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. **Amen.***

## **- THE LORD'S PRAYER**

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.

## **- THE BLESSING**

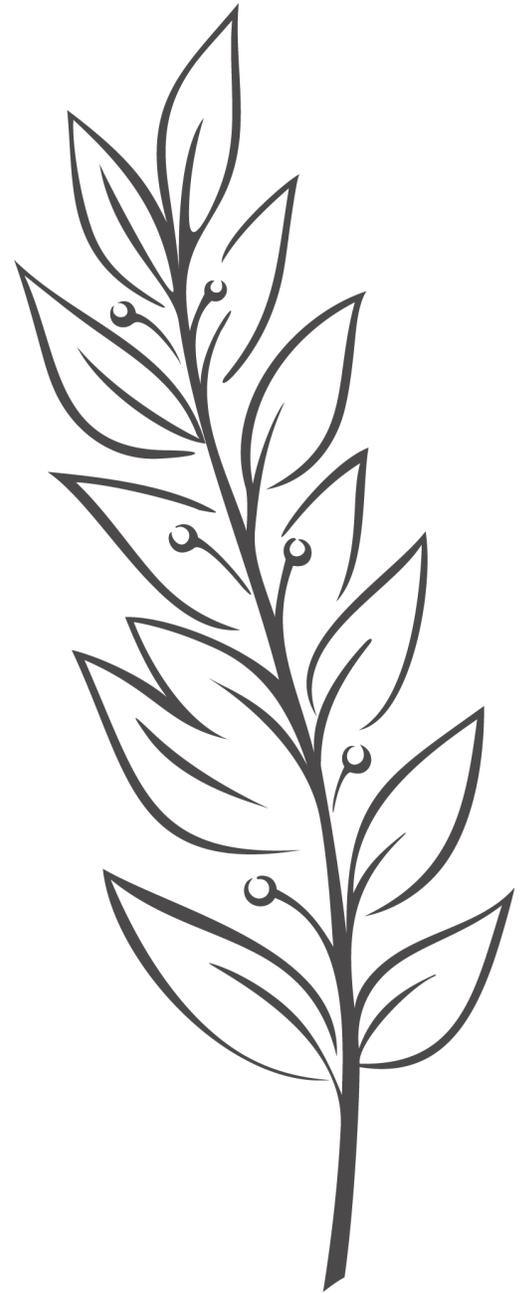
*Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make his face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.  
The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you His peace.*

**PEOPLE: AMEN.**

## **- THE CLOSING 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. The Lord has promised good to me,  
His word my hope secures;  
He will my shield and portion be  
As long as life endures.**
  - 3. Through many dangers, toils, and  
snares  
I have already come;  
His grace has brought me safe so far,  
His grace will see me home.**
  - 4. Yes, when this flesh and heart shall fail  
And mortal life shall cease,  
Amazing grace shall then prevail  
In heaven's joy and peace.**
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## **- SENDING**

**Pastor:** Go in peace. Serve the Lord.  
**PEOPLE:** THANKS BE TO GOD.