

MEMORIAL SERVICE
Giving Thanks for the Life of

DOROTHY DAVIDSON PATINKA

August 31, 1940 – December 1, 2024

Friday, April 25, 2025 – 10:00 A.M.

The United Church of Santa Fe
A United Church of Christ



WE GATHER

Music for Gathering

The Promises of Faith

Psalm 46

The Gospel of John 14 (cond.)

Breathing in God's Spirit

I will lift up my eyes to the hills, from whence does my help come?

My help comes from the Lord, who made heaven and earth.

God will not let your foot be moved, the God who keeps you will not slumber.

Behold, the One who keeps Israel will neither slumber nor sleep.

The Lord is your keeper; the Lord is your shade on your right hand.

The sun shall not smite you by day, nor the moon by night.

The Lord will keep you from all evil, the Lord will keep your life.

**The Lord will keep your going out and your coming in from this time forth
and forevermore.**

*Hymn

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For the Beauty of the Earth

Folliott Pierpoint/Dix

WE PREPARE

Words of Welcome and the Journey to this Day

A Prayer of Invocation and Openness to God's Love and Strength

A Time of Silent Prayer

*Words of Assurance (unison)

Psalm 23

**The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want.
You make me to lie down in green pastures;
You lead me beside the still waters;
You restore my soul.
You lead me in the paths of righteousness for your name's sake.
Yea, 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 mine 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 will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.**

*Hymn

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My Shepherd Is the Living God

Consolation/Southern Harmony

WE REMEMBER

Remembering God's Promises

From the Psalms of the Hebrews

Psalm 139

O Lord, you have searched me and known me.
You know when I sit down and when I rise up;
you discern my thoughts from far away.
You search out my path and my lying down,
and are acquainted with all my ways. . . .
Where can I go from your spirit?
Or where can I flee from your presence?
If I ascend to heaven, you are there;
if I make my bed in Sheol, you are there.
If I take the wings of the morning
and settle at the farthest limits of the sea,

even there your hand shall lead me,
and your right hand shall hold me fast.
If I say, "Surely the shadows shall cover me,
and the light around me become night,"
even the shadows are not dark to you;
the night is as bright as the day. . . .
Search me, O God, and know my heart;
test me and know my thoughts.
See if there is any harmful way in me,
and lead me in the way everlasting.

From Christian Scripture

The Apostle Paul's Letter to the Romans (8:31-38)

What then are we to say about these things? If God is for us, who is against us? ... Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? ... No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through the One who loves us. For I am persuaded 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 made known to us in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Remembering Dorothy

From her niece Rachel Collopy

A Pastoral Remembrance

Poem

An Epitaph on My Own Friend

Robert Burns

*An honest woman here lies at rest,
As e'er God with His image blest:
The friend of man, the friend of truth;
The friend of age, and guide of youth:
Few hearts like hers, with virtue warm'd,
Few heads with knowledge so inform'd:
If there's another world, she lives in bliss;
If there is none, she made the best of this.*

A Time of Silence

A Final Reading

The Letter to the Church of Philippi 4:8-9

Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. Keep on doing the things you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.

A Time of Silence

Musical Response

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In the Bulb There Is a Flower

Natalie Sleeth/Promise

WE RESPOND

The Prayer of Committal and the Lord's Prayer *(please pray any version)*

WE GO OUT IN PEACE

*Hymn

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God Is My Shepherd

Scottish Psalter/Brother James Air

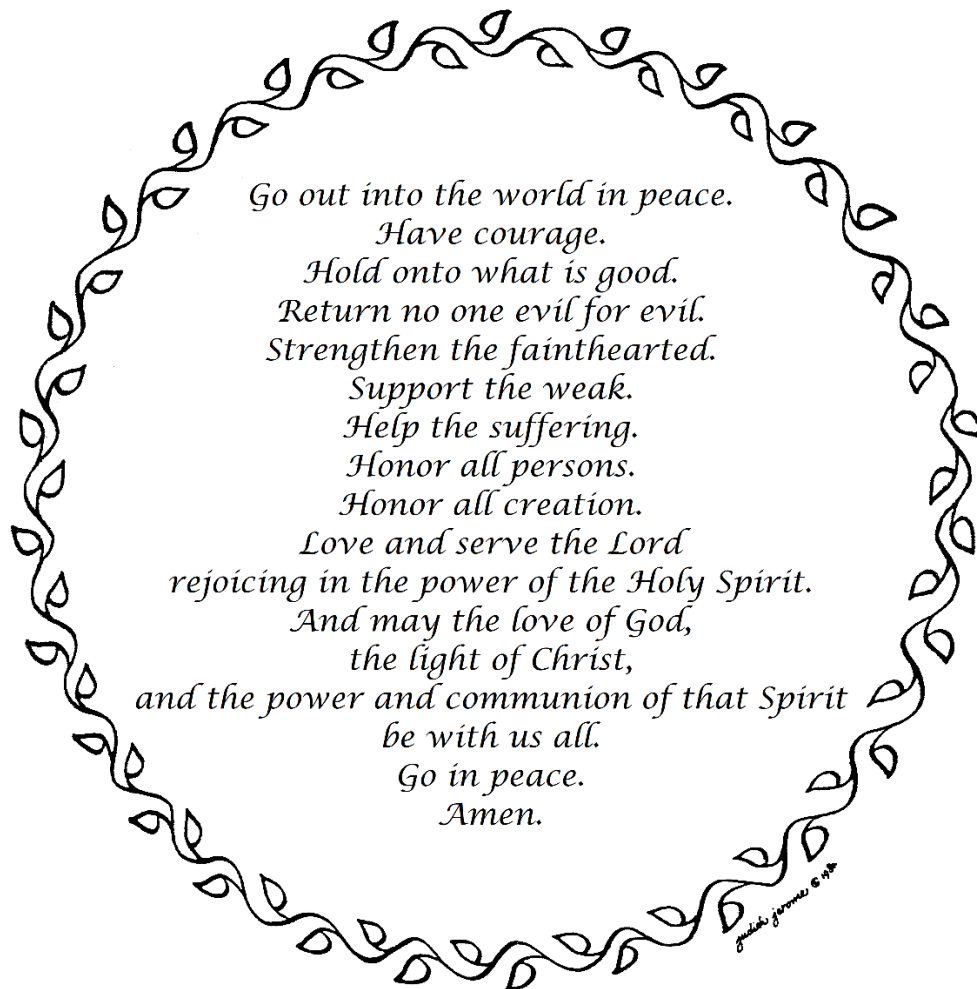
*Benediction

*Postlude

Welcome and Thank You

On behalf of Dorothy's family, we thank you for being here today. Your presence is a source of comfort and strength for all of them. We also invite you to stay for the reception in the Community Room, offered by the United Church. Again, thank you for being here.

Sharing leadership in today's service are Rev. Talitha Arnold, Pastor; Michelle Schumann, Pianist; Dorothy's niece Rachel Collopy, and former neighbor Pam Hyde.



Dorothy and Norm Patinka -- 2013