

*A Celebration of the
Life and Memory of*

Linda Ruth Andresen Harding

April 19, 1941 - May 4, 2020



Celebrate!

**Bring your balloons and your butterflies,
your bouquets of flowers,**

Bring the torches and hold them high!

**Dance your dances, paint your feelings,
sing your songs, whistle, laugh.**

Life is a celebration, an affirmation of God's love.

For God so loved the world. . .

Good news! That God should love us that much.

*(from *Reaching for Rainbows* by Ann Weems)*

May 1, 2021

Saturday, 2:00 PM

ORDER OF WORSHIP

INTRODUCTION OF SERVICE

Brad Harding

PRELUDE

“Prelude in F”
David Carrier, Organ

Fanny Hensel- Mendelssohn

WELCOME

Rev. Diane Seaborn

PRAYER OF INVOCATION AND 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.

Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, now and forever. Amen.

OPENING HYMN “Enter, Rejoice and Come In” Village Church Youth Choir

POEM “The World I Live In” by Mary Oliver Read by Brad Harding

THE PROMISES OF SCRIPTURE

HYMN “For All the Saints” Village Church Choir

WORDS OF REMEMBRANCE AND THANKSGIVING

Thelma Andresen Tisdale

Thomas E. Andresen Jr.

MUSICAL MEDITATION

Psalm 23

Garth Edmundson

SCRIPTURE

Psalm 92:1-4, Jennifer Sulin-Stair and Psalm 108:1-4, Charlize Stair

Psalm 100, Karen Heavey

Psalm 150, Sarah E. Harding, Ryenne Sulin-Harding

Isaiah 30:29, Peter Harding

HYMN

“What a Covenant”

Village Church Youth Choir

MEDITATION

Rev. Pamela Emslie

HYMN

“In the Garden”

Isaac Hargrave *a cappella*

PRAYER OF BLESSING AND COMMENDATION

CLOSING HYMN

“How Shall I Sing that Majesty”

Village Church Choir

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

“Toccata”

Georgi Mushel



Officiants: Rev. Pamela H. Emslie
Rev. Diane Seaborn

Organist: David R. Carrier

Choirs: Quartet Singers: Kevin McDonald, Celeste Godin, Vera Savage, Will Farrell.
Village Church Choir: Carol Abrahams, Julie Baker, Christie Baskett, Phil Carens, Fran Gratz, Amy Harris, John Merrill, David Oliver, Charlie Peck, Helen Sagan, Bobbie Suratt, Rod Taft, Melanie Tamura
Village Church Youth Choir, directed by Dr. Kevin J. MacDonald
Luke Hargrave, Alexandra Hoskyns, Ashna Hille, Caitlin Kelly, Connor McDonald, Louisa Rossano, Elise Sharrock, Georgia Spangler, Riley Spangler, Sydney Spangler, Evan Strouse, Liliana Sydorenko

Soloist: Isaac Hargrave, former Cherub Choir member.

Words of Remembrance: Thelma Andresen Tisdale and Thomas E. Andresen Jr., Linda's sister and brother.

Scripture: Peter T. Harding and Karen Heavey, Linda's son and his partner.
Sarah E. Harding and Jennifer Sulin-Stair, Linda's daughter and wife.
Charlize Stair and Ryenne Sulin-Harding, Linda's grand children

Poetry: Bradford Harding, Linda's husband

Reception Host: Anton Andresen

Video Production: Ataglantz Media

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Linda's complete family offers its extensive and sincere gratitude for the support and effort of so many faithful participants.

Join us for a Zoom reception immediately following the premiere of the service.
For the Zoom link hover your smart phone camera view finder at this QR code then follow the prompts on your phone →



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