

+ Memorial Service for Myrna Ruth Frazier +

b. Feb. 9, 1942, Baptized (buried with Christ): 1954; Rite of Holy Matrimony to Ted Frazier: Jun. 15, 1962 (61 years faithfully wed); Confirmed in the LCMS (at Praise): Aug. 18, 2013; Departed to be with the Risen Lord of Life, Jesus Christ: Jan. 27, 2024 (81 years)

Opening Hymn: 671 Sing with All the Saints in Glory (sung by choir or as directed)



1 Sing with all the saints in glo - ry, Sing the res - ur -
 2 Oh, what glo - ry, far ex - ceed - ing All that eye has
 3 Life e - ter - nal! Heav'n re - joic - es: Je - sus lives who



rec - tion song! Death and sor - row, earth's dark sto - ry,
 yet per - ceived! Ho - liest hearts for a - ges plead - ing
 once was dead. Shout with joy, O death - less voic - es!



To the for - mer days be - long. All a - round the
 Nev - er that full joy con - ceived. God has prom - ised,
 Child of God, lift up your head! Life e - ter - nal!



clouds are break - ing; Soon the storms of time shall
 Christ pre - pares it; There on high our wel - come
 Oh, what won - ders Crowd on faith; what joy un -



cease; In God's like - ness we a - wak - en,
 waits. Ev - 'ry hum - ble spir - it shares it,
 known, When, a - mid earth's clos - ing thun - ders,



Know - ing ev - er - last - ing peace.
 Christ has passed the e - ter - nal gates.
 Saints shall stand be - fore the throne!

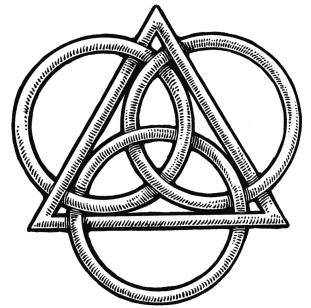


The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

Invocation

Matthew 28:19b; 18:20

- P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son
and of the Holy Spirit.
- C** Amen.



Remembrance of Baptism

Romans 6:3–5

- P** In Holy Baptism **Myrna Ruth Medlin Frazier** 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.**

Psalm

Psalm 39:4–13

- L** A selection from Psalm 39, read responsively
- L** “O LORD, make me know my end
and what is the measure of my days;
- C** **let me know how fleeting I am!**
Behold, you have made my days a few handbreadths,
and my lifetime is as nothing before you.
Surely all mankind stands as a mere breath!
Surely a man goes about as a shadow!
Surely for nothing they are in turmoil;
man heaps up wealth and does not know who will gather!
“And now, O Lord, for what do I wait?
My hope is in you.

Deliver me from all my transgressions.

Do not make me the scorn of the fool!

**I am mute; I do not open my mouth,
for it is you who have done it.**

Remove your stroke from me;

I am spent by the hostility of your hand.

**When you discipline a man
with rebukes for sin,**

you consume like a moth what is dear to him;
surely all mankind is a mere breath!

**“Hear my prayer, O LORD,
and give ear to my cry;**

hold not your peace at my tears!

For I am a sojourner with you,

a guest, like all my fathers.

**Look away from me, that I may smile again,
before I depart and am no more!”**



Kyrie

Mark 10:47

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 with your spirit.**

P Let us pray. O God of grace and mercy, we give thanks for Your loving-kindness shown to Myrna 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.**

The preceding Psalm along with the following Scripture Readings and all of the Memorial Service hymns were selected by Myrna in advance of her departure to be with Christ as a gesture of love to her family, church family, and friends.

Old Testament Reading

Ecclesiastes 12:1–7

Remember also your Creator in the days of your youth, before the evil days come and the years draw near of which you will say, “I have no pleasure in them”; before the sun and the light and the moon and the stars are darkened and the clouds return after the rain, in the day when the keepers of the house tremble, and the strong men are bent, and the grinders cease because they are few, and those who look through the windows are dimmed, and the doors on the street are shut—when the sound of the grinding is low, and one rises up at the sound of a bird, and all the daughters of song are brought low— they are afraid also of what is high, and terrors are in the way; the almond tree blossoms, the grasshopper drags itself along, and desire fails, because man is going to his eternal home, and the mourners go about the streets— before the silver cord is snapped, or the golden bowl is broken, or the pitcher is shattered at the fountain, or the wheel broken at the cistern, and the dust returns to the earth as it was, and the spirit returns to God who gave it.



A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Epistle

1 Peter 1:3–9

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! According to his great mercy, he has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, who by God’s power are being guarded through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. In this you rejoice, though now for a little while, if necessary, you have been grieved by various trials, so that the tested genuineness of your faith—more precious than gold that perishes though it is tested by fire—may be found to result in praise and glory and honor at the revelation of Jesus Christ. Though you have not seen him, you love him. Though you do not now see him, you believe in him and rejoice with joy that is inexpressible and filled with glory, obtaining the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Verse

- A** Alleluia, alleluia.
Jesus Christ is the firstborn of the dead;
C to Him be glory and power forever.
Alleluia.

Holy Gospel

John 3:14–18

- P** The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the third chapter.
C Glory to You, O Lord.

And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

“For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him. Whoever believes in him is not condemned, but whoever does not believe is condemned already, because he has not believed in the name of the only Son of God.

- 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: 677 For All the Saints



1 For all the saints who from their labors rest,
 2 Thou wast their rock, their fortress, and their might;
 3 Oh, may Thy soldiers, faithful, true, and bold,
 4 Oh, blest communion, fellowship divine!



Who Thee by faith before the world confessed, Thy
 Thou, Lord, their captain in the well-fought fight;
 Fight as the saints who nobly fought of old And
 We feebly struggle, they in glory shine; Yet



name, O Jesus, be forever blest.
 Thou, in the darkness drear, their one true light.
 win with them the victor's crown of gold!
 all are one in Thee, for all are Thine.



Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

5 And when the fight is fierce, the warfare long,
 Steals on the ear the distant triumph
 song, And hearts are brave again, and arms are strong. Alleluia! Alleluia!

- 6 The golden evening brightens in the west; Soon, soon to faithful warriors cometh rest;
Sweet is the calm of paradise the blest. Alleluia! Alleluia!
- 7 But, lo, there breaks a yet more glorious day: The saints triumphant rise in bright array;
The King of Glory passes on His way. Alleluia! Alleluia!
- △ 8 From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast, Through gates of pearl
streams in the countless host, Singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost:
Alleluia! Alleluia!

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+ Sermon +

For God So Loved Myrna

Prayer of the Church

[1 Timothy 2:1–4]

- 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 Myrna 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** 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 Myrna 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

Matthew 6:9–13

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

John 11:25–26; Luke 2:29–32

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 with your spirit.**

- 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.**

The Committal will be conducted later at the place of burial (Magnolia Cemetery), but in the presence of loved ones here gathered, the blessing is given:

Committal Blessing

- P** May God the Father, who created this body; may God the ✠ Son, who by His blood redeemed this body; may God the Holy Spirit, who by Holy Baptism sanctified this body to be His temple, keep these remains to the day of the resurrection of all flesh.

C **Amen.**

Collect

- P** Let us pray. Almighty God, by the death of Your Son Jesus Christ You destroyed death, by His rest in the tomb You sanctified the graves of Your saints, and by His bodily resurrection You brought life and immortality to light so that all who die in Him abide in peace and hope. Receive our thanks for the victory over death and the grave that He won for us. Keep us in everlasting communion with all who wait for Him on earth and with all in heaven who are with Him, for He is the resurrection and the life, even Jesus Christ, our Lord. **C** **Amen.**

Benedicamus

[Psalm 103:1]

L Let us bless the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Benediction and Dismissal

Numbers 6:24–26

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: 763 When Peace, like a River



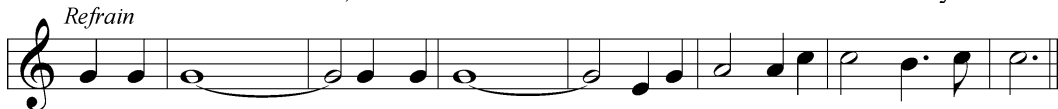
1 When peace, like a riv - er, at - tend - eth my way; When
 2 Though Sa - tan should buf - fet, though tri - als should come, Let
 3 He lives— oh, the bliss of this glo - ri - ous thought; My
 4 And, Lord, haste the day when our faith shall be sight, The



sor - rows, like sea bil - lows, roll; What - ev - er my lot, Thou hast
 this blest as - sur - ance con - trol, That Christ hath re - gard - ed my
 sin, not in part, but the whole, Is nailed to His cross, and I
 clouds be rolled back as a scroll, The trum - pet shall sound and the



taught me to say, It is well, it is well with my soul.
 help - less es - tate And hath shed His own blood for my soul.
 bear it no more. Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul!
 Lord shall de - scend; E - ven so it is well with my soul.



Refrain
 It is well with my soul, It is well, it is well with my soul.

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Time of Sharing Words of Greetings, Remembrance, and Comfort by family and friends.

Meal for Myrna’s Family in the Social Hall provided by her friends from church.

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Choir Director: Laura Bisconte, Choir Pianist: Susan Johnson

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Myrna Ruth Frazier



Myrna Ruth Frazier, age 81 of Maryville, TN passed away on Saturday, January 27, 2024 at her home. Myrna was CEO of Frazier Telecommunications, a member of Praise Lutheran Church, a volunteer with Bartlett Adult Day Out Program and Meals on Wheels and was also involved with her church's Ladies' Bible Study. She was preceded in death by her parents, Owen and Violet Medlin. Survivors include her loving husband of 61 years, Ted Frazier; sons, Jeff Frazier (Peggy), Jay Frazier (Melanie); daughter, Jennifer Maner (Heath West); 11 grandchildren, Jessica (Hansel), Annie (Brock), Sarah (Adam), Stephanie (Kenny), Logan, Harley, Victoria, Jayley, Makenzie, Eden, Kierra; 11 great-grandchildren, Ryley, Gabriel, Harlow, Avalie, Emmi, Addyson, Atlas, Presley, Jeremiah, Bud, Drakeley; brothers, Owen Medlin, Jr. (Sandra), George Medlin (Linda); sister Kay Morton; brother-in-law, Danny Frazier.

The family will receive friends on Friday, February 9, 2024 from 5:00 PM until 6:00 PM at Praise Lutheran Church, 315 Southdowne Dr., Maryville, TN 37801 with a memorial service to follow at 6:00 PM officiated by Rev. Derek Roberts.

In lieu of flowers the family requests donations be made to Praise Lutheran Church Project Build, <https://praiselutheran.com/project/build/> or the Bartlett Adult Day Out Program, 703 West Broadway Avenue, Maryville TN 37801, (865) 983-0182