

IN CELEBRATION OF THE LIFE OF
LESLIE ANN DAVIS COBB
JANUARY 4, 1935 – NOVEMBER 19, 2022



FUNERAL SERVICE
NOVEMBER 30, 2022
1:00 PM
SAINT MARK'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH
680 CALDER
BEAUMONT, TEXAS 77701

Organ Prelude

Words of Remembrance

Kelley Ogden

Opening Hymn 625

“Ye holy angels bright”

Darwall's 148th

Solemn Anthems *(All stand as the Clergy read in procession)*

I am Resurrection and I am Life, says the Lord.
Whoever has faith in me shall have life,
even though he die.
And everyone who has life,
and has committed himself to me in faith,
shall not die for ever.

As for me, I know that my Redeemer lives
and that at the last he will stand upon the earth.
After my awaking, he will raise me up;
and in my body I shall see God.
I myself shall see, and my eyes behold him
who is my friend and not a stranger.

For none of us has life in himself,
and none becomes his own master when he dies.
For if we have life, we are alive in the Lord,
and if we die, we die in the Lord.
So, then, whether we live or die,
we are the Lord's possession.

Happy from now on
are those who die in the Lord!
So it is, says the Spirit,
for they rest from their labors.

The Celebrant says the following Collect, first saying

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God of grace and glory, we remember before you this day our sister Ann. We thank you for giving her to us, her family and friends, to know and to love as a companion on our earthly pilgrimage. In your boundless compassion, console us who mourn. Give us faith to see in death the gate of eternal life, so that in quiet confidence we may continue our course on earth, until, by your call, we are reunited with those who have gone before; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Most merciful God, whose wisdom is beyond our understanding, deal graciously with those who love Ann in their grief. Surround them with your love, that they may not be overwhelmed by their loss, but have confidence in your goodness, and strength to meet the days to come; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The people may be seated.

A Reading from the Book of Ecclesiastes (3:1-8)

There is a time for everything and a season for every activity under the heavens:

- a time to be born and a time to die,
- a time to plant and a time to uproot,
- a time to kill and a time to heal,
- a time to tear down and a time to build,
- a time to weep and a time to laugh,
- a time to mourn and a time to dance,
- a time to scatter stones and a time to gather them,
- a time to embrace and a time to refrain from embracing,
- a time to search and a time to give up,
- a time to keep and a time to throw away,
- a time to tear and a time to mend,
- a time to be silent and a time to speak,
- a time to love and a time to hate,
- a time for war and a time for peace.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 121 (*In unison*)

I lift up my eyes to the hills;
 From where is my help to come?
My help comes from the Lord,
 The maker of heaven and earth.
He will not let your foot be moved
 And he who watches over you will not fall asleep.
Behold, he who keeps watch over Israel
 Shall neither slumber nor sleep;
The Lord himself watches over you;
 The Lord is your shade at your right hand,
So that the sun shall not strike you by day,
 Nor the moon by night.
The Lord shall watch over your going out and your coming in,
 From this time forth and evermore.

A Reading from Paul's Second Letter to the Romans (8:14-19, 34-35, 37-39)

For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, “Abba! Father!” it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ—if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him. I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory about to be revealed to us. For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the children of God; Who is to condemn? It is Christ Jesus, who died, yes, who was raised, who is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us. Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will hardship, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am convinced 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 The Word of the Lord.

People *Thanks be to God.*

Hymn 551

“Rise up, ye saints of God!”

Festal Song

The Gospel (*Remain standing.*)

A Deacon or Priest says

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ According to John
People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

“Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father’s house there are many dwelling places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. And you know the way to the place where I am going. Thomas said to him, “Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?” Jesus said to him, “I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.” *John 14:1-6*

The Word of the Lord.
People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Homily

The Reverend Tracie Middleton

The Apostles’ Creed (*please stand*)

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.
Amen.

The Prayers (*please kneel or sit*)

For our sister Ann, let us pray to our Lord Jesus Christ who said, “I am Resurrection and I am Life.”

Lord, you consoled Martha and Mary in their distress; draw near to us who mourn for Ann, and dry the tears of those who weep.
Hear us, Lord.

You wept at the grave of Lazarus, your friend; comfort us in our sorrow.
Hear us, Lord.

You raised the dead to life; give to our sister eternal life.

Hear us, Lord.

You promised paradise to the thief who repented; bring our sister to the joys of heaven.

Hear us, Lord.

Our sister was washed in Baptism and anointed with the Holy Spirit; give her fellowship with all your saints.

Hear us, Lord.

She was nourished with your Body and Blood; grant her a place at the table in your heavenly kingdom.

Hear us, Lord.

Comfort us in our sorrows at the death of our sister; let our faith be our consolation, and eternal life our hope.

The Celebrant concludes with a collect.

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People *And also with you.*

Anthem “Prayer of St. Francis” arr. Douglas King

The Great Thanksgiving

The people stand. The Celebrant faces them and says

The Lord be with you.

People *And also with you.*

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People *We lift them to the Lord.*

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People *It is right to give him thanks and praise.*

The Eucharistic Prayer may be found in the Book of Common Prayer on page 361.

At the place appointed Celebrant and People say together

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,

Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

The people kneel or sit. At the conclusion of the Eucharistic Prayer, the Celebrant continues

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

People and Celebrant

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, for ever
and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

All baptized persons are welcome to receive the sacrament.

Postcommunion Prayer (*Celebrant and people*)

Almighty God, we thank you that in your great love you have fed us with the spiritual food and drink of the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ, and have given us a foretaste of your heavenly banquet. Grant that this Sacrament may be to us a comfort in affliction, and a pledge of our inheritance in that kingdom where there is no death, neither sorrow nor crying, but the fullness of joy with all your saints; through Jesus Christ our Savior. *Amen.*

The Commendation (*please stand*)

Celebrant Give rest, O Christ, to your servant with your saints,

People where sorrow and pain are no more, neither sighing,
but life everlasting.

The celebrant continues

You only are immortal, the creator and maker of mankind; and we are mortal, formed of the earth, and to earth shall we return. For so did you ordain when you created me, saying, "You are dust, and to dust you shall return." All of us go down to the dust; yet even at the grave we make our song: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Celebrant and people

Give rest, O Christ, to your servant with your saints, where sorrow and pain are no more, neither sighing, but life everlasting.

Celebrant

Into your hands, O merciful Savior, we commend your servant Ann. Acknowledge, we humbly beseech you, a sheep of your own fold, a lamb of your own flock, a sinner of your own redeeming. Receive her into the arms of your mercy, into the blessed rest of everlasting peace, and into the glorious company of the saints in light. *Amen.*

The Blessing

The Dismissal

Celebrant Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People Thanks be to God.

Hymn 376 “Joyful, joyful, we adore thee”

Hymn to Joy

Postlude





Leslie Ann Davis Cobb, lifelong resident of Beaumont, was born January 4, 1935. She continued her spiritual journey Saturday, November 19, 2022.

Leslie loved her family dearly and enjoyed traveling, music, and reading. She had many friends and made a difference in many lives. She as a graduate of Beaumont High School and attended Lamar University and the University of Michigan. She had a forty-year career with Gulf State

Utility Company retiring in 1995 as Vice President and Corporate Secretary of Entergy Corporation. Leslie served on the boards of United Way, the American Heart Association, and the Edison Museum. She was an active member of St. Mark's Episcopal Church over the years served on the Vestry and a longtime member of the choir.

Leslie is survived by her son, David Ogden and his wife, Dianne; son-in-law, Tommy; sisters, Mary Herford, Joyce Boden, and Pat Lynch; brother, Allen Davis; seven grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren.

She is preceded in death by her husband, Lonnie J. Cobb; parents, Sammie and Leslie Davis; son, Terry Ogden; daughter, Cathy Wright; grandson, Kevin Wright; and brother, Curtis Davis.

The family would like to thank Cindy Hussey, Ann's niece and caregiver for the last 4 years of her life, and her sister, Joyce Boden, who offered her home for Ann's care.
























*Please join the family immediately after the service
in the cloister for the reception.*

Committal

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