

IN CELEBRATION OF THE LIFE OF  
**ANN HARDER**  
JANUARY 19, 1938 – JULY 18, 2023



FUNERAL SERVICE  
JULY 24, 2023  
10:00 AM  
SAINT MARK'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH  
680 CALDER  
BEAUMONT, TEXAS 77701

# Organ Prelude

## Opening Hymn "There's a wideness in God's mercy"

Hymnal 470

*(Please stand and join in singing.)*

1 There's a wide-ness in God's mer-cy like the wide-ness of the sea;  
2 There is no place where earth's sor-rows are more felt than up in heaven;  
3 For the love of God is broad-er than the mea-sure of the mind;

there's a kind-ness in his jus-tice, which is more than lib - er - ty.  
there is no place where earth's fail-ings have such kind - ly judg-ment given.  
and the heart of the E - ter - nal is most won - der - ful - ly kind.

There is wel-come for the sin - ner, and more gra - ces for the good;  
There is plen - ti - ful re - demp-tion in the blood that has been shed;  
If our love were but more faith - ful, we should take him at his word;

there is mer - cy with the Sa - vior; there is heal - ing in his blood.  
there is joy for all the mem - bers in the sor - rows of the Head.  
and our life would be thanks - giv - ing for the good - ness of the Lord.

## Solemn Anthems

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 Lamentations (3:22-26, 31-33)**

The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases, his mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness. “The Lord is my portion,” says my soul, “therefore I will hope in him.” The Lord is good to those who wait for him, to the soul that seeks him. It is good that one should wait quietly for the salvation of the Lord.

For the Lord will not reject forever. Although he causes grief, he will have compassion according to the abundance of his steadfast love; for he does not willingly afflict or grieve anyone.

*Reader*     The Word of the Lord.

*People*     **Thanks be to God.**

### **Psalm 121** (*Read 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 preserve you from all evil; \*

    it is he who shall keep you safe.

The LORD shall watch over your going out and your coming in, \*

    from this time forth for evermore.

### **A Reading from Paul’s first letter to the Corinthians (13:1-13)**

If I speak in the tongues of mortals and of angels, but do not have love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. And if I have prophetic powers, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing. If I give away all my possessions, and if I hand over my body so that I may boast, but do not have love, I gain nothing. Love is patient; love is kind; love is not envious or boastful or arrogant or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; it does not rejoice in wrongdoing, but rejoices in the truth. It bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. Love never ends. But as for prophecies, they will come to an end; as for tongues, they will cease; as for knowledge, it will come to an end.

For we know only in part, and we prophesy only in part; but when the complete comes, the partial will come to an end. When I was a child, I spoke like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child; when I became an adult, I put an end to childish ways. For now we see in a mirror, dimly, but then we will see face to face. Now I know only in part; then I will know fully, even as I have been fully known. And now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; and the greatest of these is love.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Hymn "Lord of all hopefulness"

Hymnal 482

*(Please stand and join in singing.)*

1 Lord of all hope - ful - ness, Lord of all joy,  
 2 Lord of all ea - ger - ness, Lord of all faith,  
 3 Lord of all kind - li - ness, Lord of all grace,  
 4 Lord of all gen - tle - ness, Lord of all calm,

whose trust, ev - er child - like, no cares could de - stroy,  
 whose strong hands were skilled at the plane and the lathe,  
 your hands swift to wel - come, your arms to em - brace,  
 whose voice is con - tent - ment, whose pres - ence is balm,

be there at our wak - ing, and give us, we pray,  
 be there at our lab - ors, and give us, we pray,  
 be there at our hom - ing, and give us, we pray,  
 be there at our sleep - ing, and give us, we pray,

your bliss in our hearts, Lord, at the break of the day.  
 your strength in our hearts, Lord, at the noon of the day.  
 your love in our hearts, Lord, at the eve of the day.  
 your peace in our hearts, Lord, at the end of the day.

**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.**

Jesus said, "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 Rev. Dr. James M. Pevehouse

**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.**

## **Offertory**

### **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.*





## Music During Communion

“I come with joy to meet my Lord”

Hymnal #304  
Tim Foster, *Cantor*

*Unison or harmony*

1 I come with joy to meet my Lord, for -  
2 I come with Chris - tians far and near to  
3 As Christ breaks bread and bids us share, each  
4 And thus with joy we meet our Lord. His  
5 To - geth - er met, to - geth - er bound, we'll

1 giv - en, loved, and free, in awe and won - der  
2 find, as all are fed, the new com - mu - ni -  
3 proud di - vi - sion ends. That love that made us  
4 pres - ence, al - ways near, is in such friend - ship  
5 go our dif - ferent ways, and as his peo - ple

1 to re - call his life laid down for me.  
2 ty of love in Christ's com - mun - ion bread.  
3 makes us one, and stran - gers now are friends.  
4 bet - ter known: we see, and praise him here.  
5 in the world, we'll live and speak his praise.

**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.**

Closing Hymn “The day thou gavest, Lord, is ended”

Hymnal #24



1 The day thou gav - est, Lord, is end - ed, the dark - ness  
 2 We thank thee that thy Church, un - sleep - ing while earth rolls  
 3 As o'er each con - ti - nent and is - land the dawn leads  
 4 So be it, Lord; thy throne shall nev - er, like earth's proud



falls at thy be - hest; to thee our morn - ing hymns a -  
 on - ward in - to light, through all the world her watch is  
 on an - oth - er day, the voice of prayer is nev - er  
 em - pires, pass a - way; thy king - dom stands, and grows for



scend - ed, thy praise shall sanc - ti - fy our rest.  
 keep - ing, and rests not now by day or night.  
 si - lent, nor dies the strain of praise a - way.  
 ev - er, till all thy crea - tures own thy sway.

Postlude

Jordan Williams, *Organist*



*Ann Harder* passed away on July 18, 2023, at the age of 85. Ann was born to Ray Edward Harder, Sr. and Ruth Edra Paggi Harder in Beaumont, Texas, on January 19, 1938.

Ann was preceded in death by her parents, and her brother, Ray Edward Harder, Jr. She is survived by her sister, Edra Bogucki.

Ann attended Lamar State College and wore many hats during her lifetime. The Paggi name has been well-known in the Beaumont area for generations as her grandfather, Ed was involved in Spindletop and founded the YMBL in 1917.

Ann Harder proudly held the title “President” of “P & H Farms of Texas, Inc.”

Ann was a very prominent figure in Beaumont and was involved in and supported the American Rose Society, Beaumont Botanical Gardens, American Cancer Society, Houston Public Media as well as many other philanthropic causes.

Ann Harder was a passionate, long-time supporter of Houston PBS, part of Houston Public Media at the University of Houston. Her favorite programs were Masterpiece and Nature. During the Downton Abbey years Ann was honored at a Downton-themed high tea held at the Beaumont Botanical Gardens. To celebrate her 80th birthday Masterpiece executive producer, Rebecca Eaton, was flown in by Houston Public Media for a special dinner in

Ann's honor. Ann's love of PBS was rooted in her intellectual curiosity and appreciation for the arts. She was dearly loved, and well known at Houston PBS for her strong spirit, sense of humor, and big heart. They have fond memories of trips to see Ann's rose garden, lunch and feeding the ducks before heading back to Houston. The station will be running tribute messages in her honor.

In her free time, Ann enjoyed gardening, nurturing her plants, and creating beautiful outdoor spaces, but most importantly helping people. She was an amazing woman who left a lasting impression on everyone she encountered. She will be greatly missed by her family, friends and loved ones.

A quote to remember which Ann often shared: "not what we give, but what we share because the gift without the giver is bare."

















**WE APPRECIATE YOU**  
Thank you for visiting on February 3, 2015



**Pallbearers**

Robert Killbuck  
Todd Harder  
Ashton Harder  
Don Ray Jones  
Josh Allen  
Gerald Richardson

**Interment**

Magnolia Cemetery  
Beaumont, Texas

**Memorial Contributions**

American Rose Society  
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Shreveport, Louisiana 71130-0030  
***rose.org***

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St. Mark's Episcopal Church  
680 Calder Avenue  
Beaumont, Texas 77701

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