The service of Death and Resurrection is an Easter liturgy. It finds all its meaning in the resurrection. Because Jesus was raised from the dead, we, too, shall be raised.

This service, therefore, is characterized by joy, in the certainty that "neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, 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."

This joy, however, does not make human grief unchristian. The very love we have for each other in Christ brings deep sorrow when we are parted by death. Jesus himself wept at the grave of his friend. So, while we rejoice that the one, we love has entered into a nearer presence of our Lord, we sorrow in sympathy with those who mourn.
The Order of Service

† Congregation standing as able

~ We Gather Together as God's People ~

THE PRELUDE........................................................................................................Jason Evans, Organist

† THE HYMN OF PROCESSION NO. 611: “Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee” .......... HYMN TO JOY

† THE WORDS OF GRACE & GREETING (Spoken in Unison)

Christ is risen from the dead, trampling down death by death, and giving life to those in the tomb. Dying, Christ destroyed our death. Rising, Christ restored our life. Christ will come again in glory. As in baptism Lynn put on Christ, so in Christ may Lynn be clothed with glory. Here and now, dear friends, we are God's children. What we shall be has not yet been revealed; but we know that when he appears, we shall be like him, for we shall see Christ as he is. Those who have this hope purify themselves as Christ is pure. Jesus said, “I am the resurrection and I am life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, yet shall they live, and whoever lives and believes in me shall never die. I am the Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end, the first and the last. I died and behold I am alive forevermore, and I hold the keys of hell and death. Because I live, you shall live also.”

LEADER: The Lord be with you.
PEOPLE: And also with you.
LEADER: Let us pray.

† THE INVOCATION

O God, whose mercies cannot be numbered: Accept our prayers on behalf of your servant, Lynn, and grant her an entrance into the land of light and joy, in the fellowship of your saints; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

† THE HYMN NO. 625: "O, Lord My God” .............................................................. HOW GREAT THOU ART

~ The Word of the Lord ~

THE PSALM (Spoken in Unison) ...................................................................................... Psalm 23

The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want. He makes me lie down in green pastures; he leads me beside still waters; he restores my soul. He leads me in right paths for his name's sake. Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I 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 my 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 shall dwell in the house of the Lord my whole life long.

THE EPISTLE LESSON................................................................................................... Revelation 21: 1-6

Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.
And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, ‘See, the home of God is among mortals. He will dwell with them; they will be his peoples, and God himself will be with them; he will wipe every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away.’ And the one who was seated on the throne said, ‘See, I am making all things new.’ Also he said, ‘Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true.’ Then he said to me, ‘It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give water as a gift from the spring of the water of life.’

THE NAMING & WITNESSING
Mrs. Nonie Booth
The Rev. L. Spottswood Graves

THE GOSPEL LESSON ................................................................. John 14: 1-6, 25-27

‘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. ‘I have said these things to you while I am still with you. But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid.’

LEADER: This Is the Word of the Lord.
PEOPLE: Thanks be to God.

THE CHORAL ANTHEM: “You Raise Me Up” ........................................... arr. Tom Fettke
The Sanctuary Choir

THE HOMILY ......................................................................................... The Rev. Dr. Jody Moore

♦THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (Spoken in Unison) ............... A Declaration of Faith, Ch. 10.3

In the death of Jesus Christ, God’s way in the world seemed finally defeated. But death was no match for God. The resurrection of Jesus was God’s victory over death. Death often seems to prove that life is not worth living, that our best efforts and deepest affections go for nothing. We do not yet see the end of death. But Christ has been raised from the dead, transformed, and yet the same person. In His resurrection is the promise of ours. We are convinced the life God wills for each of us is stronger than the death that destroys us. The glory of that life exceeds our imagination but we know we shall be with Christ. So we treat death as a broken power. Its ultimate defeat is certain. In the face of death we grieve. Yet in hope we celebrate life. No life ends so tragically that its meaning and value are destroyed. Nothing, not even death, can separate us from the love of God in Jesus Christ our Lord.
THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE (Spoken Responsively)

ONE: For Lynn, let us pray to our Lord Jesus Christ who said, “I am the resurrection and I am the Life.” Lord, you consoled Mary and Martha in their distress; draw near to us who mourn for Lynn and dry the tears of those who weep.

ALL: Hear us, Lord.

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

ALL: Hear us, Lord.

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

ALL: Hear us, Lord.

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

ALL: Hear us, Lord.

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

ALL: Hear us, Lord.

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

ALL: Hear us, Lord.

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

THE SILENT PRAYERS

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 debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

~We Respond to the Word~

THE COMMENDATION (Spoken Responsively)

ONE: Give rest, O Christ, to your servant, Lynn, with your saints

ALL: Where sorrow and pain are no more, neither sighing but life everlasting.

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

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

Into your hands, O merciful Savior, we commend your servant, Lynn Miller. 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 BENEDICTION

THE HYMN OF SENDING: “In the Garden” ................................................................. MILES

THE ORGAN POSTLUDE ..................................................................................... Jason Evans
All are invited to greet the family at a reception in Lynn’s memory in the fellowship hall immediately following the service.

~ Service Participants ~

The Rev. Dr. Jody Moore
Pastor

Mr. Jason K. Evans
Music Director/Organist

Mrs. Nonie Booth
Choir Leader/Reception Coordinator

The Sanctuary Choir
POINT HARBOR- Lynn Holloman Miller went to meet her Lord December 10, 2018 at her Point Harbor residence surrounded by the family she cherished. Lynn was born in Pittsburgh, PA April 15, 1936. She was the daughter of the late Evelyn and Lanier Holloman. Lynn was also predeceased by her son Steven Miller and her sister Sara Truelove.

A gifted educator, Lynn had a long and successful career teaching young people in the Hempfield, PA public school system. After Lynn and Howard moved to the Outer Banks, Lynn continued to be a civic contributor. She was extensively involved in several local organizations including the Master Gardeners of Currituck and the Coast Guard Auxiliary. Lynn was also awarded the prestigious North Carolina Governors Award for Outstanding Volunteer Service. Lynn and Howard were active members of Outer Banks Presbyterian Church where Lynn served in many church committees and ministries. She was particularly proud of her work in the Knitting Group crafting Shawls for local nursing home residents and her long affiliation with PEO International. Lynn leaves a legacy of love, friendship, and service which she didn’t have time to completely fulfill.

Surviving Lynn Miller is her husband of over 60 years Howard B. Miller of the Point Harbor home; her daughter Diana Miller of Ruffs Dale, PA; her son Scott Miller (Tracey) of Columbia, SC; her sister Sydney Dohring of Lancaster, PA; her brother David Holloman of Irwin, PA; her two grandchildren, Michayla Miller and Logan Miller also of Columbia, SC; her numerous extended family members, in-laws, her OBPC family, and a host of dear friends.

A celebration of Lynn’s Life will be held at Outer Banks Presbyterian Church Monday December 17, 2018 at 11 am with the Reverend Jody Moore officiating. In lieu of flowers the family gratefully suggests that memorial donations in Lynn’s honor be made to the Currituck County SPCA or to any local animal shelter.

Friends and family may offer condolences to the family at www.gallopfuneralservices.com. Gallop Funeral Services, Inc. was entrusted with arrangements.
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