

Funeral Service for Joan Mary Plumsteel



Joan Mary Plumsteel
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10:30 AM

Sunday 16 Aug 2026

St. Anselm's Anglican Church

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Prelude: Ode to Joy

GREETING THE COMMUNITY

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

All And also with you

Words of introduction, welcome and instruction as required

Celebrant: As we gather on the ancestral lands of Musqueam nation let us pray that Christ's grace and peace will be with us all

A moment of silence is kept

Celebrant: 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 is committed to me in faith,
shall not die for ever. (John 11.25–26)

HYMN

Come, My Way, My Truth, My Life CP #569

Come, my Way, my Truth, my Life:
Such a way as gives us breath;
Such a truth as ends all strife,
Such a life as killeth death.

Come, my Light, my Feast, my Strength:
Such a light as shows a feast,
Such a feast as mends in length,
Such a strength as makes his guest.

Come, my Joy, my Love, my Heart:
Such a joy as none can move,
Such a love as none can part,
Such a heart as joys in love.

We continue in prayer

In the midst of life we are in death;
from whom can we seek help?
From you alone, O Lord

**Holy God,
holy and mighty,
holy immortal one,
have mercy upon us.**

Lord you know the secrets of our hearts;
shut not your ears to our prayers,
but spare us, O Lord.

**Holy God,
holy and mighty,
holy immortal one,
have mercy upon us.**

O worthy and eternal Judge,
do not let the pains of death
turn us away from you at our last hour.

**Holy God,
holy and mighty,
holy immortal one,
have mercy upon us.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, the maker and redeemer of all,
grant us, with your servant *Joan* and all the faithful departed,
the sure benefits of your Son's saving passion and glorious
resurrection; that in the last day, when you gather up all things
in Christ, we may with them enjoy the fullness of your promises;
through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in
the unity of the Holy Spirit, God for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD



Psalm 25:4-11

To you, O Lord,

I lift up my soul;

my God, I put my trust in you;

let me not be humiliated,

nor let my enemies triumph over me.

Let none who look to you be put to shame

let the treacherous be disappointed in their schemes.

Show me your ways, O Lord and teach me your paths

Lead me in your truth and teach me

for you are the God of my salvation;

in you have I trusted all the day long. R

Remember, O Lord, your compassion and love
for they are from everlasting.

Remember not the sins of my youth and my transgressions;

Remember me according to your love

and for the sake of your goodness, O Lord.

Gracious and upright are you, O Lord

therefore you teach sinners in your way.

You guide the humble in doing right

and teach your way to the lowly.

O Lord, all your paths are love and faithfulness

to those who keep your covenant and your testimonies. R

First Reading I Corinthians 13:1-7
Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church
All Thanks be to God

Gospel Acclamation CP #634

All **Jesus, remember me
when you come into your kingdom. [x2]**

Gospeller The Lord be with you

All **And also with you**

Gospeller The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according
to John

All **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Gospel John 14:1-7

Gospeller The Gospel of Christ

All **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ**

All **Jesus, remember me
when you come into your kingdom. [x2]**

Reflection Rev Alecia Greenfield

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Prayers For Joan

Leader Almighty God, you have knit your chosen people
together in 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 your
peace.

People **Hear us, Lord**

Leader May all who have been baptized into Christ's death
and resurrection die to sin and rise to newness of life,
and may we with him pass through the grave and
gate of death to our joyful resurrection.

People **Hear us, Lord**

Leader Grant to us who are still in our pilgrimage, and who walk as yet by faith, that your Holy Spirit may lead us in holiness and righteousness all our days.

***People* Hear us, Lord**

Leader Grant to your faithful people pardon and peace, that we may be cleansed from all our sins and serve you with a quiet mind.

***People* Hear us, Lord**

Leader Grant to all who mourn a sure confidence in your loving care that casting all their sorrow on you, they may know the consolation of your love.

***People* Hear us, Lord**

Leader Give courage and faith to those who are bereaved, that they may have strength to meet the days ahead in the comfort of a holy and certain hope, and in the joyful expectation of eternal life with those they love.

***People* Hear us, Lord**

Leader Grant us grace to entrust Joan to your never-failing love which sustained her in this life. Receive her into the arms of your mercy, and remember her according to the favour you bear for your people.

***People* Hear us, Lord.**

THE PEACE

Presider The peace of Christ be always with you!

***All* And also with you**

THE CELEBRATION Of THE EUCHARIST

Hymn Amazing Grace #352

Amazing grace! How sweet the sound
that saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost, but now am found;
was blind, but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,
and grace my fears relieved;
how precious did that grace appear
the hour I first believed!

The Lord has promised good to me,
his word my hope secures;
he will my shield and portion be,
as long as life endures.

Through many dangers, toils and snares,
I have already come;
'tis grace hath brought me safe thus far,
and grace will lead me home.

When we've been there ten thousand years,
bright shining as the sun,
we've no less days to sing God's praise
than when we'd first begun.

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Living God,
receive all we offer you this day.
Grant that hearing your word and responding to your Spirit,
we may share in your divine life.
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. **Amen**

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

Presider The Lord be with you

All And also with you.

Presider Lift up your hearts.

All We lift them to the Lord.

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All It is right to give thanks and praise.

Presider Holy God, Lover of creation,
we give you thanks and praise

For in the ocean of your steadfast love you bear us
and place the song of your Spirit in our hearts.
When we turn from your love and defile the earth,
you do not abandon us.
Your Spirit speaks through Huldah and Micah,
through prophets, sages, and saints in every age,
to confront our sin and reveal the vision of your new
creation.
Joining in the song of the universe we proclaim your
glory singing:

***All 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.
Presider Gracious God, in the fullness of time
you sent Jesus the Christ to share our fragile
humanity.
Through Jesus' life, death, and resurrection
you open the path from brokenness to health,
from fear to trust, from pride and conceit
to reverence for you.
Rejected by a world that could not bear the Gospel of
life,
Jesus knew death was near.
His head anointed for burial by an unknown woman,
Jesus gathered together those who loved him.
He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it
and gave it to his friends, saying, "Take and eat:
this is my body which is given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me."
After supper, Jesus took the cup of wine,
gave you thanks, and said
"Drink this all of you, this is my blood of the new

covenant

which is shed for you and for many.

Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

And now we gather at this table in response to his commandment, to share the bread and cup of Christ's undying love, and to proclaim our faith.

All

we remember his death,

we proclaim his resurrection,

we await his coming in glory;

Presider

Breathe your Holy Spirit, the wisdom of the universe, upon these gifts that we bring to you:

this bread, this cup, ourselves, our souls and bodies, that we may be signs of your love for all the world and ministers of your transforming purpose.

Through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory is yours, Creator of all, and we bless your holy name for ever. **Amen**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Presider

As our Saviour taught us, in the words of Joan's childhood, let us pray,

All

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

Presider *We break this bread to share in the body of Christ,*
All **We being many, are one body for we all share**
 in the one bread.
 Now the silence,
 Now the peace,
 Now the empty hands uplifted;
 Now the kneeling,
 Now the plea,
 Now the Father's arms in welcome;
 Now Now Now

CP# 53

Presider The Gifts of God, for the People of God
All **Thanks be to God**

COMMUNION

HYMN **Abba! Father!**

ABBA! FATHER!

Slowly, reverently



REFRAIN Ab - ba, _____

Ab - ba, _____

VERSES 1. Mold us, _____
2. Fa - ther, _____
3. Glo - ry, _____

mold us and
may we be
glo - ry and



Fa - ther, _____

You are the pot - ter; _____

1. fash - ion us _____
2. one in you, _____
3. praise to you, _____

in - to the im - age _____
May we be one in you _____
Glo - ry and praise to you _____



_____ we are the clay, _____

the work of your

1. _____ of Je - sus, your Son, _____
2. _____ as he is in you, _____
3. _____ for - ev - er, a - men, _____

of Je - sus, your
and you are in
for - ev - er, a -



hands. _____ (to Verses)

Final
tacet

Ab - ba!

1. Son. _____ (to Refrain)
2. him. _____ (to Refrain)
3. men. _____ (to Refrain)

Stillness for prayer

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Presider Almighty and eternal God,
may we who have received this eucharist
worship you in all we do,
and proclaim the glory of your majesty.
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.

All Amen.

With the Ashes at the Altar

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

You only are immortal, the creator and maker of all; 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.

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

Presider

Into your hands, O merciful Saviour,
we commend your servant Joan.
Acknowledge, we pray, 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.

HYMN Lift Hight The Cross CP #602

*Refrain Lift high the cross,
 the love of Christ proclaim
 till all the world adore*

his sacred name!

Come, Christian people, sing your praises, shout!
If we are silent, even stones cry out. *Refrain*

Jesus, you wept to see our human strife:
teach us compassion for each human life. *Refrain*

Peace was your plea, and peace your loving theme:
let peace be our passport, peace a living dream. *Refrain*

Great is the cost of walking on this road,
to follow and suffer with the Son of God. *Refrain*

Worlds to be born and children yet to be,
come, take up this song into eternity. *Refrain*

Blessing

Dismissal



*Great is the cost of walking on this road,
to follow and suffer with the Son of God*