

ORDER FOR CHRISTIAN BURIAL

Helen Heath

May 6, 1912

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Prelude

Invocation

Hymn: "O Zion, Haste"

No. 397

P. Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the source of all mercy and the God of all consolation. He comforts us in all our sorrows so that we can comfort others in their sorrow with the consolation we ourselves have received from God.

C. THANKS BE TO GOD.

P. When we were baptized into Christ Jesus, we were baptized into His death. We were buried therefore with Him by baptism into death so that as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father we too might live a new 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.

P. The Lord be with you.

C. AND ALSO WITH YOU.

P. Let us pray. O God of grace and glory, we remember Helen Heath before you today. Thank you for giving her to us to know and love as a companion in our pilgrimage on earth. In your boundless compassion, console us who mourn, give us your aid, so that we may see in death the gate to eternal life, that we may continue our course in confidence on earth until, by your call, we are reunited with those who have gone before us.

C. AMEN

Lessons Psalm 121 - Responsively (Pg. 279)
I Corinthians 10:9-13
Romans 8:35-39

Tributes

Hymn: "Built on a Rock"

No. 365

Meditation

Pastor Norman Dahle

Hymn: "My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less" No. 294

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, 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 INTO HELL. 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.

Prayers

P. 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.

C. HEAR US LORD.

P. Give courage and faith to those who are bereaved, especially Helen's family. Grant us grace to entrust Helen to your everlasting love which sustained her in this life. Receive her into the arms of your mercy, and remember her according to the favor you bear for all your people.

C. HEAR US LORD.