

Celebrating the Life of
Duthiel Ann
Longfellow-Stellyes
April 15, 1940 - July 8, 2023



Good Hope Lutheran Church, Gifford, Idaho

July 18, 2023 11:00 A.M.

WELCOME

Ryan A. Lawrence

Welcome in the name of Jesus, the Savior of the world. We are gathered to worship, to proclaim Christ crucified and risen, to remember before God our sister Duthiel Ann Longfellow-Stellyes, to give thanks for her life, to commend her to our merciful redeemer, and to comfort one another in our grief.

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

P When we were baptized in 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 Eternal God, maker of heaven and earth,

who formed us from the dust of the earth,
who by your breath gave us life, we glorify
You.

C We glorify you.

P Jesus Christ, the resurrection and the life,
who suffered death for all humanity, who
rose from the grave to open the way to
eternal life, we praise you.

C We praise you.

P Holy Spirit, author and giver of life, the
comforter of all who sorrow, our sure
confidence and everlasting hope, we
worship you.

C We worship you.

P To you, O blessed Trinity, be glory and
honor, forever and ever.

C Amen.

SONG

I Know That My Redeemer Lives!

Verse 1,5,7, & 8

1 I know that my Re - deem - er lives! What com - fort
 2 He lives tri - um - phant from the grave; he lives e -
 3 He lives to grant me rich sup - ply; he lives to
 4 He lives to si - lence all my fears; he lives to

this sweet sen - tence gives! He lives, he lives, who
 ter - nal - ly to save; he lives ex - alt - ed,
 guide me with his eye; he lives to com - fort
 wipe a - way my tears; he lives to calm my

once was dead; he lives, my ev - er - liv - ing head!
 throned a - bove; he lives to rule his church in love.
 me when faint; he lives to hear my soul's com - plaint.
 trou - bled heart; he lives all bless - ings to im - part.

5 He lives to bless me with his love;
 he lives to plead for me above;
 he lives my hungry soul to feed;
 he lives to help in time of need.

7 He lives and grants me daily breath;
 he lives, and I shall conquer death;
 he lives my mansion to prepare;
 he lives to bring me safely there.

6 He lives, my kind, wise, heav'nly friend;
 he lives and loves me to the end;
 he lives, and while he lives, I'll sing;
 he lives, my prophet, priest, and king!

8 He lives, all glory to his name!
 He lives, my Savior, still the same;
 what joy this blest assurance gives:
 I know that my Redeemer lives!

GREETING

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

C And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray. O God of grace and glory,
We remember before you today our sister Duthiel. We thank you for giving her to us to know and to love as a companion in our pilgrimage on earth. In your boundless compassion, console us who mourn. Give us faith to see that death has been swallowed up in the victory of our Lord Jesus Christ, so that we may live in confidence and hope until, by your call, we are gathered to our heavenly home in the company of all your saints; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen.

1 Comfort, O comfort my people, says your God.**2** Speak tenderly to Jerusalem, and cry to her that she has served her term, that her penalty is paid, that she has received from the LORD's hand double for all her sins.**3** A voice cries out:
"In the wilderness prepare the way of the LORD; make straight in the desert a highway for our God.**4** Every valley shall be lifted up, and every mountain and hill be made low; the uneven ground shall become level, and the rough places a plain.**5** Then the glory of the LORD shall be revealed, and all flesh shall see it together, for the mouth of the LORD has spoken."**6** A voice says, "Cry out!" And I said, "What shall I cry?" All flesh is grass; their constancy is like the flower of the field.**7** The grass withers; the flower fades, when the breath of the LORD blows upon it; surely the people are grass.**8** but the word of our God will stand forever.**9** Get you up to a high mountain, O Zion, herald of good news; lift up your voice with strength, O Jerusalem, herald of good news; lift it up, do not fear; say to the cities of Judah, "Here is your God!"**10** See, the Lord GOD comes with might, and his arm

rules for him; his reward is with him and his recompense before him.**11** He will feed his flock like a shepherd; he will gather the lambs in his arms and carry them in his bosom and gently lead the mother sheep. Have you not known? Have you not heard?

28 The LORD is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He does not faint or grow weary; his understanding is unsearchable.**29** He gives power to the faint and strengthens the powerless.**30** Even youths will faint and be weary, and the young will fall exhausted,**31** but those who wait for the LORD shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings like eagles; they shall run and not be weary; they shall walk and not faint.

PSALM

46: 1-7

1 God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.**2** Therefore we will not fear, though the earth should change, though the mountains shake in the heart of the sea,**3** though its waters roar and foam, though the mountains tremble with its tumult.**4** There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy habitation of the Most High.**5** God is in the

midst of the city; it shall not be moved; God will help it when the morning dawns.**6** The nations are in an uproar; the kingdoms totter; he utters his voice; the earth melts.**7** The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge

NEW TESTAMENT

Hebrews 2:1-2

Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, **2** looking to Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith, who for the sake of the joy that was set before him endured the cross, disregarding its shame, and has taken his seat at the right hand of the throne of God.

GOSPEL

Matthew 11: 25-30

25 At that time Jesus said, “I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the intelligent and have revealed them to infants; **26** yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. **27** All things have been handed over to me by my Father, and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father

except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him. **28** “Come to me, all you who are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. **29** Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. **30** For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.”

HOMILY

Ryan A. Lawrence

SONG

How Great Thou Art
Jim Nabors

THE APOSTLES CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, 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,

**he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come 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 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 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 forever
and ever. Amen**

SONG

Shall We Gather At the River

D A⁷ A

1 Shall we gath - er at the riv - er, where bright an - gel feet have trod,
 2 On the mar - gin of the riv - er, wash - ing up its sil - ver spray,
 3 Ere we reach the shin - ing riv - er, lay we ev - 'ry bur - den down;
 4 Soon we'll reach the shin - ing riv - er, soon our pil - grim - age will cease;

D A A⁷ D

with its crys - tal tide for - ev - er flow - ing by the throne of God?
 we will walk and wor - ship ev - er, all the hap - py gold - en day.
 grace our spir - its will de - liv - er, and pro - vide a robe and crown.
 soon our hap - py hearts will quiv - er with the mel - o - dy of peace.

Refrain
G D A⁷ D

Yes, we'll gath - er at the riv - er, the beau - ti - ful, the beau - ti - ful riv - er;

G D A A⁷ D

gath - er with the saints at the riv - er that flows by the throne of God.

1 The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want.**2** He makes me lie down in green pastures; he leads me beside still waters;**3** he restores my soul. He leads me in right paths for his name's sake.**4** Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.**5** You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows. **6** 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

PRAYER

P Let us pray

Holy God, Holy and powerful, by the death and burial of Jesus your anointed, you have destroyed the power of death and made holy the resting places of all your people. Keep our sister Duthiel, whose body we now lay to rest in the company of all your saints.

And at the last, O God, raise her up to share with all the faithful the endless joy and peace won through the glorious resurrection of Christ our Lord who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God now and forever.

C Amen.

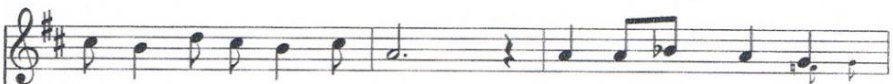
SONG

On Eagles Wings

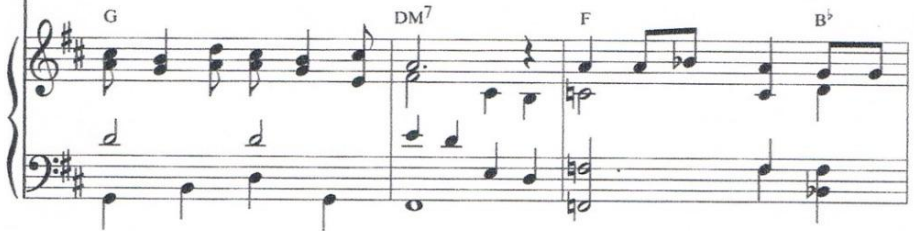
**** Upon completion of “On Eagles Wings” the service will transition to the graveside for the Commendation. Please allow the family to depart first, and follow in quiet reflection ****



1 You who . . . dwell in the shel - ter of the Lord, who a -
 2 Snares of the fowl - er will nev - er cap - ture you, and
 3 For to the an - gels God's giv - en a com - mand to



bide in this shad - ow for life, say to the Lord: "My . . .
 fam - ine will bring you no fear, un - der God's wings your . . .
 guard you in all of your ways; up - on their hands they will



ref - uge, . . . my . . . rock in whom I . . . trust!"
 ref - uge . . . with . . . faith - ful - ness your . . . shield.
 bear you up, lest you dash your foot a - gainst a stone.



Refrain

“And I will raise you up on ea - gle’s wings,

D

bear you on the breath of dawn, make you to shine like the

Em A7 D A G D7

sun, and hold you in the palm of my hand.”

G Em A Bm F#m Em A7 D

COMMENDATION

P Into your hands, O merciful Savior, we commend your servant Duthiel Stellyes. 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.

C Amen.

P In sure and certain hope of the resurrection to eternal life through our Lord Jesus Christ, we commend to almighty God our sister Duthiel and we commit her body to its resting place; earth to earth, ashes to ashes, dust to dust.

The Lord bless her and keep her.

The Lord's face shine on her with grace and mercy.

The Lord look upon her with favor and + give her peace.

C Amen.

P Rest eternal grant her, O Lord; and let light perpetual shine upon her.

BLESSING

P Almighty God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

C Amen.

P Let us go in peace.

The Family would like to thank you for coming today to honor Duthiel's memory and support them during this loss. You are all invited to the fellowship hall to share memories and light refreshments.

Presiding

Ryan A. Lawrence

Readers

Brian Lawrence

Angela Polotto

Keith Stellyes

Brant Poehner

Pallbearers

Ryan Lawrence

Bradley Polotto

Keith Stellyes

Sarah Bowman

Brian Lawrence

Angela Polotto

Brant Poehner

Katelyn Poehner





Obituary

Duthiel A Stellyes left this world on July 8, 2023 with her husband, Ron, by her side. She was born April 15, 1940, to Keith and Violet Longfellow, in Longview WA. She grew up in several different places, as her dad worked for the railroad. Eventually, she settled in Orofino, ID, which is where she graduated from high school in 1958. There, she met her first husband, Gilbert Breitenstein, with whom she had 3 children, Sandra, Dawn, and Debbie. They divorced in 1960. She then met her life long love, Ron Stellyes, in Ahsahka, ID. They married August 12, 1961, and were married 61 years. He very happily took on her three children at that time, raising them as his own. They moved up to the family farm in Reubens ID. Two more children, Brenda, born in 1962, and Gerald, born in 1965, made the family complete. Ron and Duthiel lived on the farm their entire lives, with the exception of a few years, when they lived in Lewiston ID. Duthiel worked at K-Mart Pharmacy, as a tech for 25 years, making many friends with the customers. Once Duthiel retired, they moved back to Reubens, to the family farm, where Ron still resides.

Duthiel kept herself busy by keeping track of her kids and grandkids, and their doings. She was also an avid quilter, loved to embroider, and read. She was a member of Good Hope Lutheran Church, and the Gifford Homemakers Club, both in Gifford, ID.

She is survived by her husband, Ron, their five children, Sandra Lawrence (Earl) of Kendrick, ID, Dawn Polotto of Tucson, AZ, Debbie Stellyes (Keith Olson) of Clarkston, WA, Brenda Stellyes (Russ Poehner) of Batavia, OH, and Gerald Stellyes (Kirsten) of Puyallup, WA, her eight grandchildren Angela Polotto, Bradley Polotto, Ryan Lawrence, Brian Lawrence, Keith Stellyes, Sarah Bowman (Josh), Katelyn Poehner, and Brant Poehner, as well as nine great grandchildren. She is also survived by her sister-in-law, Joyce Coble, and numerous cousins, nieces, and nephews.

She is preceded in death by her parents, Keith and Violet, sister, Inez L Smith, brother, Loren K Longfellow, brother-in-law, Larry Coble, son-in-law, John (JT) Polotto, and great grandson, Dash Hussion.

A memorial service will be held July 18, at Good Hope Lutheran Church in Gifford ID, at 11:00 AM. A light lunch will be provided afterwards. Memorials in Duthiel's honor can be made to Good Hope Lutheran Church Memorial Fund at 28157 Settlement Rd, Lenore ID 83541 or the Gifford Homemakers Club, c/o Mary Dau, 21729 Summit Grade, Lenore ID 83541.