The Celebration of the Life and Resurrection of Emma Mabel (Gonsalves) Shogren July 13, 2024





FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH STATEMENT OF WELCOME

We, the community of First Lutheran Church of Bothell, proclaim the message that the grace of our Lord is infinitely inclusive and that everyone is welcome. We believe that Christ calls us to reconciliation and wholeness in a world of alienation and brokenness.

As a Reconciling in Christ congregation and as disciples of Christ seeking justice and reconciliation among all peoples, we at First Lutheran Church welcome all into the fullness of God's love. We welcome everyone, without exception and regardless of sex, race, ethnicity, sexual orientation, gender identity, physical and mental ability, age, or station in life. We recognize that each person is a unique creation of God, and through grace, a child of God.

All are welcome at First Lutheran.

All are welcome to worship, to hear the Good News, to receive the sacraments, and to share in fellowship and service. As members of First Lutheran Church, we pledge ourselves and our congregation to exercise our faith in Christ, treasuring one another's similarities while embracing our God-given differences. We pledge that we will strive to live as a reconciling people, in our life together and in our outreach to the world.

Assisting with Today's Service:	
Presiding Pastor:	Rev. Pam Russell
Organ / Piano:	Karla Stalwick
Soloist:	Kate Clark
Funeral Coordinator:	Donna Hillard
Camera Tech:	Ann Bormann
Usher:	David and Don Shogren
Reception Coordinator:	Nora Strothman

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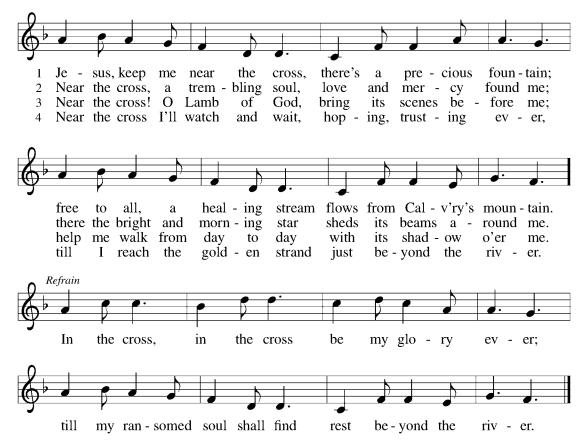
PRELUDE

WELCOME

INTRODUCTION

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, Emma, to give thanks for her life, to commend her to our merciful redeemer, and to comfort one another in our grief.

GATHERING HYMN: Jesus Keep Me Near the Cross (ELW 335)



GREETING

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

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

All who are baptized into Christ have put on Christ.

In her baptism, Emma was clothed with Christ. In the day of Christ's coming, she shall be clothed with glory.

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. **We glorify you.**

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.

We praise you.

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

We worship you.

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

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

O God of grace and glory, we remember before you today our sister Emma. 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. Amen.

TIME OF REMEMBERANCE: Don Shogren

WORD

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

FIRST READING: Proverbs 31:10-11, 15-17, 25-28 ¹⁰A capable wife who can find? She is far more precious than jewels. ¹¹The heart of her husband trusts in her, and he will have no lack of gain. ¹⁵She rises while it is still night and provides food for her household and tasks for her servant-girls. ¹⁶She considers a field and buys it; with the fruit of her hands she plants a vinevard. ¹⁷She girds herself with strength, and makes her arms strong. ²⁵Strength and dignity are her clothing, and she laughs at the time to come. ²⁶She opens her mouth with wisdom, and the teaching of kindness is on her tongue. ²⁷She looks well to the ways of her household, and does not eat the bread of idleness. ²⁸Her children rise up and call her happy; her husband too, and he praises her.

PSALM 90:1-6, 12-14

¹LORD, you have been our dwelling place in all generations.

²Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever you had formed the earth and the world, from everlasting to everlasting you are God. You turn us back to dust, and say, "Turn back, you mortals."
⁴For a thousand years in your sight are like yesterday when it is past, or like a watch in the night.
⁵You sweep them away; they are like a dream, like grass that is renewed in the morning;
⁶in the morning it flourishes and is renewed; in the evening it fades and withers.

¹²So teach us to count our days that we may gain a wise heart.
¹³Turn, O LORD! How long? Have compassion on your servants!
¹⁴Satisfy us in the morning with your steadfast love, so that we may rejoice and be glad all our days.

GOSPEL READING: John 14:1-6

¹Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me.²In 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?³And 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.⁴And you know the way to the place where I am going."⁵Thomas said to him, "Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?"⁶Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.

GOSPEL READING: Luke 1:46-55

⁴⁶And Mary said,

"My soul magnifies the Lord,

⁴⁷and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior,

⁴⁸ for he has looked with favor on the lowliness of his servant.

Surely, from now on all generations will call me blessed;

⁴⁹for the Mighty One has done great things for me,

and holy is his name.

⁵⁰His mercy is for those who fear him

from generation to generation.

⁵¹He has shown strength with his arm;

he has scattered the proud in the thoughts of their hearts.

⁵²He has brought down the powerful from their thrones, and lifted up the lowly;

⁵³he has filled the hungry with good things,

and sent the rich away empty.

⁵⁴He has helped his servant Israel,

in remembrance of his mercy,

⁵⁵according to the promise he made to our ancestors,

to Abraham and to his descendants forever."

SERMON



HYMN OF THE DAY: Holy, Holy, Holy (ELW 413)

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.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Let us pray.

Almighty God, in holy baptism you have knit your chosen people together into one communion of saints in the body of Christ. Give to your whole church in heaven and on earth your light and your peace. God of mercy, hear our prayer.

Grant that all who have been baptized into Christ's death and resurrection may die to sin and rise to share the new life in Christ. God of mercy, hear our prayer.

Give courage and faith to all who mourn, and a sure and certain hope in your loving care, that, casting all their sorrow on you, they may have strength for the days ahead. God of mercy,

hear our prayer.

Grant to us who are still in our pilgrimage, and who walk as yet by faith, that, where this world groans in grief and pain, your Holy Spirit may lead us to bear witness to your light and life. God of mercy, hear our prayer.

Help us, in the midst of things we cannot understand, to believe and trust in the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, and the resurrection to life everlasting. God of mercy,

hear our prayer.

God of all grace, we give you thanks because by his death our Savior Jesus Christ destroyed the power of death and by his resurrection he opened the kingdom of heaven to all believers. Make us certain that because he lives we shall live also, and that neither death nor life, nor things present nor things to come, will be able to separate us from your love in Christ Jesus our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

LORD'S PRAYER

Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray. Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

Poem Read by Kate Clark

COMMENDATION

Let us commend Emma to the mercy of God, our maker and redeemer.

Silence is kept.

Into your hands, O merciful Savior, we commend your servant, Emma. 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.

SENDING

God blesses us and sends us out in peace.

BLESSING

May the silence of the hills, the joy of the winds, the peace of the fields, the music of the birds, the fire of the sun, the strength of the trees, and the faith of a little child, in all of which is God, go with you and be with you today and always. Amen





Emma Mabel Gonsalves Shogren August 2, 1925–June 26, 2024

Mom left us to be with Dad in heaven on June 26 after a long and full life of 98 years. As a devoted wife and mother, family was always at the forefront of everything she did.

Emma Mabel Gonsalves was born in Hayword, California on August 2nd, 1925. She was the fourth of five children with three older brothers, and one younger sister. Because her mother suffered a major illness that precluded her from taking care of the family, Emma and her sister, Barbara, were separated from their brothers to live with the Silva family.

Ma Silva was a very loving woman. Emma spoke fondly of her often. Still, this alternate family living arrangement would impact Emma forever. It would produce an intense focus within her concerning family for the rest of her life.

Because she had to care for her younger sister, and other family responsibilities at the Silva household, Emma only finished the tenth grade. She would leave school to become a telephone operator for Pacific Southwest Bell. She worked for the phone company nine years until she met the man of her dreams.

George Shogren, our father, was a sailor who was stationed on a US Navy supply ship supporting World War II that docked in California. Dad met Emma ice skating while on liberty which started a whirlwind courtship that transitioned to marriage in 1952. The rest, as they say, is history.

Emma is survived by her four children, nine grandchildren, four great grandchildren, and loads of relatives in California.

Memorial donations may be made in Emma's name to the First Lutheran Church Endowment Fund or Friends of North Creek Forest, PO Box 2053, Bothell, WA 98041-2053, or online at https://www.friendsnorthcreekforest.org/support--donate.html



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