



SAINT MARK'S  
EPISCOPAL CATHEDRAL  
SEATTLE, WASHINGTON

A CELEBRATION OF THE LIFE OF  
SANDRA LYNN SMITH

October 19, 1958 – July 10, 2021



August 28, 2021

2:00 PM

*Saint Mark's Cathedral acknowledges that we gather on the traditional land of the first people of Seattle, the Duwamish People, who are still here, and we honor with gratitude the land itself and the life of the Duwamish Tribe.*

*Welcome to Saint Mark's Cathedral. Out of respect for the liturgy we are about to celebrate, please turn off all cell phones and audible devices. Please, no photography during the liturgy.*



*A brief organ voluntary offered a few minutes before the hour invites all into quiet prayer and preparation.*

<b>PRELUDE</b>	<i>Komm, Heiliger Geist</i> [Come, Holy Spirit], BWV 652	J.S. Bach (1685-1750)
	Theme & Variations 1-3 from	Maurice Duruflé (1902-1986)
	<i>Prelude, Adagio, &amp; Choral Variations on the theme of Veni Creator</i>	
	[Based on tune of Hymn 504, "Come, Holy Spirit"]	

# THE ENTRANCE RITE

*Please stand, as able.*

## ANTHEMS

**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 has committed himself to me in faith,  
shall not die for ever.

**A**S FOR me, I know that my Redeemer lives  
and that at the last he will stand upon the earth.  
After my awaking, he will raise me up;  
and in my body I shall see God.  
I myself shall see, and my eyes behold him  
who is my friend and not a stranger.

**F**OR none of us has life in himself,  
and none becomes his own master when he dies.  
For if we have life, we are alive in the Lord,  
and if we die, we die in the Lord.  
So, then, whether we live or die,  
we are the Lord's possession.

**H**APPY from now on are those who die in the Lord!  
So it is, says the Spirit, for they rest from their labors.

## THE COLLECT

*The Book of Common Prayer, p. 493*

*Presider* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Presider* Let us pray.

**O** GOD of grace and glory, we remember before you this day our sister Sandra.  
We thank you for giving her to us, her family and friends, to know and to love  
as a companion on our earthly pilgrimage. In your boundless compassion, console  
us who mourn. Give us faith to see in death the gate of eternal life, so that in quiet  
confidence we may continue our course on earth, until, by your call, we are reunited  
with those who have gone before. All this we pray through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*All* **Amen.**

OPENING HYMN *I am the bread of life* ♦ sung by all

TUNE: *I Am the Bread of Life*



1. I am the bread of life. He who comes to me shall not hun-ger; he who be-
2. The bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world, and they who
3. Un - less you eat of the flesh of the Son of Man and
4. I am the re - sur - rec - tion, I am the life. They who be-
5. Yes, Lord, we be - lieve that you are the Christ, the



- lievs in me shall not thirst. No one can come to me un - less the Fa-ther draws them.  
 eat of this bread, they shall live for ev - er, they shall live for ev - er.  
 drink of his blood, you shall not have life with - in you, you shall not have life with - in you,  
 lieve in me ev - en if they die, they shall live for ev - er.  
 Son of God, who has come in - to the world.



And I will raise\_\_\_ them up, and I will raise\_\_\_ them up, and I will



raise\_\_\_ them up\_\_\_ on the last\_\_\_ day.\_\_\_\_\_

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 MUSIC: Suzanne Toolan (b. 1927); arr. Betty Pulkingham (b. 1928); © 1970, 1975, Celebration.

*Please be seated for the Liturgy of the Word.*

# THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

**READING** *Lamentations 3:22-26,31-33*

*read by Peter McClung*

**T**HE steadfast love of the LORD never ceases, his mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness. “The LORD is my portion,” says my soul, “therefore I will hope in him.” The LORD is good to those who wait for him, to the soul that seeks him. It is good that one should wait quietly for the salvation of the LORD.

For the Lord will not reject forever. Although he causes grief, he will have compassion according to the abundance of his steadfast love; for he does not willingly afflict or grieve anyone.

*Reader* Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s people.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

**PSALM** *Psalm 139:7-16 ♦ led by the Presider*

*Domine, probasti*

- I**F I CLIMB up to heaven, you are there; \*  
If I make the grave my bed, you are there also.
- 8 If I take the wings of the morning \*  
and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea,
- 9 Even there your hand will lead me \*  
and your right hand hold me fast.
- 10 If I say, “Surely the darkness will cover me, \*  
and the light around me turn to night,”
- 11 Darkness is not dark to you;  
the night is as bright as the day; \*  
darkness and light to you are both alike.
- 12 For you yourself created my inmost parts; \*  
you knit me together in my mother’s womb.
- 13 I will thank you because I am marvelously made; \*  
your works are wonderful, and I know it well.
- 14 My body was not hidden from you, \*  
while I was being made in secret  
and woven in the depths of the earth.
- 15 Your eyes beheld my limbs, yet unfinished in the womb;  
all of them were written in your book; \*  
they were fashioned day by day,  
when as yet there was none of them.
- 16 How deep I find your thoughts, O God! \*  
how great is the sum of them! ♦



1. Joy - ful, joy - ful, we a - dore thee, God of glo - ry, Lord of love;  
 2. All thy works with joy sur - round thee, earth and heaven re - flect thy rays,  
 3. Thou art giv - ing and for - giv - ing, ev - er bless - ing, ev - er blest,



hearts un - fold like flowers be - fore thee, prais - ing thee, their sun a - bove.  
 stars and an - gels sing a - round thee, cen - ter of un - brok - en praise.  
 well - spring of the joy of liv - ing, o - cean - depth of hap - py rest!



Melt the clouds of sin and sad - ness; drive the dark of doubt a - way;  
 Field and for - est, vale and moun - tain, bloom - ing mea - dow, flash - ing sea,  
 Thou our Fa - ther, Christ our Bro - ther: all who live in love are thine;



giv - er of im - mor - tal glad - ness, fill us with the light of day.  
 chant - ing bird and flow - ing foun - tain, call us to re - joice in thee.  
 teach us how to love each o - ther, lift us to the joy di - vine.

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**READING**

*2 Corinthians 4:13-18*

read by Timi Vann

JUST as we have the same spirit of faith that is in accordance with scripture—"I believed, and so I spoke"—we also believe, and so we speak, because we know that the one who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus, and will bring us with you into his presence. Yes, everything is for your sake, so that grace, as it extends to more and more people, may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God. So we do not lose heart. Even though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner nature is being renewed day by day. For this slight momentary affliction is preparing us for an eternal weight of glory beyond all measure, because we look not at what can be seen but at what cannot be seen; for what can be seen is temporary, but what cannot be seen is eternal.

*Reader* Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

*After a brief silence the Presider stands; all rise, as able, for the proclamation of the Gospel.*

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

Plainchant Tone I.2

*The cantor introduces the alleluias; all repeat them. The cantor chants the verse, and all respond with the alleluias.*



*Verse:* Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

**THE HOLY GOSPEL** *Luke 13:13-35*

*Deacon* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

*People* **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

**W**HEN Jesus laid his hands on the woman with the crippled spirit, immediately she stood up straight and began praising God. But the leader of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had cured on the sabbath, kept saying to the crowd, "There are six days on which work ought to be done; come on those days and be cured, and not on the sabbath day." But the Lord answered him and said, "You hypocrites! Does not each of you on the sabbath untie his ox or his donkey from the manger, and lead it away to give it water? And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham whom Satan bound for eighteen long years, be set free from this bondage on the sabbath day?" When he said this, all his opponents were put to shame; and the entire crowd was rejoicing at all the wonderful things that he was doing.

He said therefore, "What is the kingdom of God like? And to what should I compare it? It is like a mustard seed that someone took and sowed in the garden; it grew and became a tree, and the birds of the air made nests in its branches." And again he said, "To what should I compare the kingdom of God? It is like yeast that a woman took and mixed in with three measures of flour until all of it was leavened." Jesus went through one town and village after another, teaching as he made his way to Jerusalem.

Someone asked him, "Lord, will only a few be saved?" He said to them, "Strive to enter through the narrow door; for many, I tell you, will try to enter and will not be able. When once the owner of the house has got up and shut the door, and you begin to stand outside and to knock at the door, saying, 'Lord, open to us,' then in reply he will say to you, 'I do not know where you come from.' Then you will begin to say, 'We ate and drank with you, and you taught in our streets.' But he will say, 'I do not know where you come from; go away from me, all you evildoers!' There will be weeping and gnashing of teeth when you see Abraham and Isaac and Jacob and all the prophets in the kingdom of God, and you yourselves thrown out. Then people will come from east and west, from north and south, and will eat in the kingdom of God. Indeed, some are last who will be first, and some are first who will be last."

At that very hour some Pharisees came and said to him, "Get away from here, for Herod wants to kill you." He said to them, "Go and tell that fox for me, 'Listen, I am casting out demons and performing cures today and tomorrow, and on the third day I finish my work. Yet today, tomorrow, and the next day I must be on my way, because it is impossible for a prophet to be killed outside of Jerusalem.' Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the city that kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to it! How often have I desired to gather your children together as a hen gathers her brood under her wings, and you were not willing! See, your house is left to you. And I tell you, you will not see me until the time comes when you say, 'Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.'"

*Deacon* The Gospel of the Lord.

*People* **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

*All stand, as able, for the recitation of the Creed and the Prayers.*

**APOSTLES CREED** *(spoken by all in unison)*

**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 to the dead.**

**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 OF THE PEOPLE

*Deacon* For our sister Sandra let us pray to God our Creator saying: Hear our prayer.

*Deacon* God, your will for us is abundant life;  
receive Sandra now into the fullness of life in your presence.

***People* Hear our prayer.**

*Deacon* You know the thoughts of our hearts and our search for faith;  
shed the brightness of your light on Sandra, who also sought understanding.

***People* Hear our prayer.**

*Deacon* You are greater than all our ideas and images of you;  
draw Sandra into the mystery of your being.

***People* Hear our prayer.**

*Deacon* We know you as perfect Mercy and Love;  
welcome Sandra in the grace of that love and mercy.

***People* Hear our prayer.**

*Deacon* We praise you as the giver of life;  
gather all who mourn into the hope of renewed life.

***People* Hear our prayer.**

*Deacon* The Church commends all who die to the care of Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit; and so we commend Sandra to you, giving thanks for the gift of her life.

***People* Hear our prayer.**

*Presider* May the Holy One, to whom all the desires of our hearts are known before we ask, hear our prayers for Sandra, and for all who mourn, and grant us newness of life, and peace.

***All* Amen.**

## THE PEACE

*Presider* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

***People* And also with you.**

*Those in the nave exchange a sign of peace, respecting others' desires for distance to be maintained.*

*Those participating from home are invited to take a moment at this point in the service to text or email someone with whom you would like to share the peace of Christ.*

# THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

Today's offering will be split evenly between Saint Mark's Cathedral, the UW Spiritual Care Discretionary Fund, and the Olympic Hills Elementary Boys & Girls Club. Due to COVID precautions, the offering plates are not being passed at this time. You may place your cash or check offering (made payable to Saint Mark's Cathedral) in the basket when you come forward for communion, or consider using one of the electronic options below.

Links to donate to Saint Mark's online are located on the livestream page. Visit [saintmarks.org/give](https://saintmarks.org/give), or use the Venmo mobile app (@SaintMarksCathedralSeattle, or scan the code at right), or visit this link on your mobile device: <https://venmo.com/saintmarkscathedralseattle>. If Venmo asks you for a four-digit code, enter **2076**.



You may also mail your gift to the cathedral: 1245 10th Ave. E, Seattle, WA 98102.

## OFFERTORY SOLO *Ave Maria*

Franz Schubert (1797-1828)

Ave Maria, gratia plena,  
Dominus tecum.  
Benedicta tu in mulieribus,  
Et benedictus fructus ventris tui, Jesus.  
Ave Maria!

*Hail Mary, full of grace,  
The Lord is with thee.  
Blessed art thou among women,  
and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.  
Hail Mary!*

All stand, as able.

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING *Eucharistic Prayer C*

*The Book of Common Prayer, p. 369*

*Presider* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Presider* Lift up your hearts.

*People* **We lift them to the Lord.**

*Presider* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People* **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

*Presider* At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

*People* **By your will they were created and have their being.**

*Presider* From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

*People* **Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.**

*Presider* Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

*People* **By his blood, he reconciled us. By his wounds, we are healed.**

*Presider* And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

**All Holy, holy holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

*Presider* And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper, he took the cup of wine, gave thanks, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

**All We celebrate his death and resurrection,  
as we await the day of his coming.**

*Presider* Lord God of our ancestors: God of Abraham and Sarah, Isaac and Rebekah, Jacob and Leah and Rachel; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

**People Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.**

*Presider* Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation.

**All AMEN.**

## **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**All 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 for ever. Amen.**

*In silence, the Presider breaks the consecrated bread.*

## **THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD**

*Presider* Alleluia. Christ our passover is sacrificed for us.

*People* **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

## **INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

*Presider* The Gifts of God for the People of God.

*All may be seated for the time of Communion.*

*All seeking God are welcome at Christ's Table.*

*For those worshiping in person, please follow the directions of the Liturgical Ministers. Communion is distributed at the head of the center aisle. Before receiving the bread, please sanitize your hands. The priest will place the bread into your outstretched palm taking care not to touch your hand.*

- ◆ *If you prefer a gluten-free wafer, simply ask the priest for one at the time of Communion.*
- ◆ *Communion is currently being offered in one kind. The full grace of the sacrament is received with only the bread.*

*Those worshiping at home are invited to pray:*

## **PRAYER AT THE TIME OF COMMUNION**

*from Saint Augustine's Prayer Book (Forward Movement, 2014)*

O Christ, I believe that you are truly present in the Holy Sacrament,  
and, since I cannot at this time receive communion,  
I pray you to come into my heart.  
I unite myself with you and embrace you  
with all my heart, my soul, and my mind.  
Let nothing separate me from you;  
let me serve you in this life  
until, by your grace, I come to your glorious kingdom  
and unending peace. Amen.

## **COMMUNION SOLO** *Patience, People*

John Foley, S.J. (b. 1939)

*Refrain:*

*Patience, people, till the Lord is come.*

See the farmer await  
the yield of the soil,  
He watches it in winter  
and in spring rain.

You have seen the purpose  
of the Lord.  
You know his compassion  
and his mercy.

Steady your hearts,  
for the Lord is close at hand.  
And do not grumble,  
one against the other.

*Refrain 2:*

*Patience, people, for the Lord is coming.*

*All stand, as able.*

#### **POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER**

*Presider* Almighty God,

**All we thank you that in your great love  
you have fed us with the spiritual food and drink  
of the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ,  
and have given us a foretaste of your heavenly banquet.  
Grant that this Sacrament may be to us a comfort in affliction,  
and a pledge of our inheritance in that kingdom  
where there is no death, neither sorrow nor crying,  
but the fullness of joy with all your saints;  
through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.**

## THE COMMENDATION

*The ministers stand at the Paschal Candle, the symbol of our risen life in Christ.*

*Presider* Depart, O Christian soul, out of this world;  
In the Name of God the Father Almighty who created you;  
In the Name of Jesus Christ who redeemed you;  
In the Name of the Holy Spirit who sanctifies you.  
May your rest be this day in peace,  
and your dwelling place in the Paradise of God.

**All Amen.**

*Presider* Give rest, O Christ, to your servant with your saints,

**All where sorrow and pain are no more, neither sighing, but life everlasting.**

*Presider* 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 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.

**All 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 Savior, we commend your servant Sandra. 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.

**All Amen.**

#### **BLESSING**

*Presider* Life is short, and we do not have much time to gladden the hearts of those who journey with us. So be swift to love, and make haste to be kind. And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always.

**All Amen.**

**CLOSING HYMN** *Lord of all hopefulness* ♦ *sung by all*

TUNE: *Slane*



1. Lord of all hope - ful - ness, Lord of all joy,  
2. Lord of all ea - ger - ness, Lord of all faith,  
3. Lord of all kind - lin - ess, Lord of all grace,  
4. Lord of all gen - tle - ness, Lord of all calm,



whose trust, ev - er child - like, no cares could de - stroy,  
whose strong hands were skilled at the plane and the lathe,  
your hands swift to wel - come, your arms to em - brace,  
whose voice is con - tent - ment, whose pre - sence is balm,



be there at our wak - ing, and give us, we pray,  
be there at our la - bors, and give us, we pray,  
be there at our hom - ing, and give us, we pray,  
be there at our sleep - ing, and give us, we pray,



your bliss in our hearts, Lord, at the break of the day.  
your strength in our hearts, Lord, at the noon of the day.  
your love in our hearts, Lord, at the eve of the day.  
your peace in our hearts, Lord, at the end of the day.

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**DISMISSAL**

*Deacon* Let us go forth into the world rejoicing in the power of the Spirit. Alleluia, alleluia!  
*People* Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!

*Please remain standing for the concluding voluntary and closing procession.*

**VOLUNTARY** Variation 4 from *Prelude, Adagio, & Choral Variations on the theme of Veni Creator*

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# MINISTERS OF THE LITURGY

## **PRESIDER & PREACHER**

The Very Reverend Steven L. Thomason

## **DEACON**

The Reverend Earl Grout

## **ASSISTING LAY MINISTER**

Rachel Crosbie

## **VERGER**

Robert Stevens, *in absentia*

## **ACOLYTES**

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## **ALTAR GUILD**

Sue Tait

## **LECTORS**

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Timi Vann

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Eliza Davidson

Dave Harms

Liz Shea

Randy Urmston

## **MUSICIANS**

Rebekah Gilmore, *soloist*

John Stuntebeck, *organist*

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# SANDRA LYNN SMITH

*October 19, 1958 – July 10, 2021*

SANDRA LYNN SMITH, of Seattle, WA, was born October 19, 1958, in Royal Oaks, Michigan, to Sanford and Lynn Multon Smith. Sandy was raised in Chicago, Illinois, where she attended and graduated from Lourdes High School, DePaul University, and the American Academy of Art. Sandy also had the distinction of serving in the first female cadet class at West Point Military Academy, and received an honorable discharge.

In 2002, Sandy moved to Seattle, WA, to begin the next journey of her life. Sandy's professional life centered around service, working in a variety of administrative roles, and with animals and children, and people in need. She ran her own business, Maple Leaf Pet Sitting, and loved all the animals she worked with. Sandy spent a number of years working with Boys and Girls Club and was grateful to have time with a wide variety of children, who she treated and loved like her own.

After 20 years of life together, Sandra joyfully married her best friend Mary Lonien on June 15, 2013, at Saint Mark's Cathedral. It was during this time she was diagnosed with cancer, and with Mary by her side, they tackled the long-term and often arduous challenges of treatment. Sandra then shifted her focus to training and working in her life's passion – chaplaincy – and was able to work part time at University of Washington (UW) and Harborview Hospitals as a chaplain and was invited to serve as the Cathedral Chaplain at Saint Mark's connecting with people prior to and during the pandemic.

Sandy enjoyed music and sang in a number of church choirs in Chicago. While in Chicago, she was also a member of Unison: Windy City Lesbian and Gay Singers and soon after she moved to Seattle, she joined the Seattle Women's Chorus (SWC) in time for their inaugural concert series. She was very proud to receive her 10-year pin with SWC. Along with music, Sandy enjoyed many activities including writing Haikus and adult coloring, which gave her the benefit of playing with art and meditative reflection. In her spiritual life, Sandy was very involved in many worship ministries at Saint Mark's including leading Lay Chaplains in Community, and serving as an Assisting Lay Minister (ALM), a Worship Leader, and as a Eucharistic Visitor.

Throughout her life, Sandy was known for her lively spirit and her devotion to God. She carried wonderment into her adult life and reveled in all of life's miracles. After much personal reflection, she determined that for her, life's meaning came down to love. "Walk in love" was a much-uttered phrase, and she strove to live her life according to that mantra.

Sandra began her final journey when she walked with beauty into the sunset on Saturday, July 10, 2021. She is survived by her beloved wife Mary Lonien of Seattle, son Tony Lonien of Chicago, IL, her sister Judy (husband George, children Mike and Laura) Esposito and her brother Kevin (wife Lucy, children Luis, Jennifer, and Jonathan) Smith, of Chicago. She is also survived by four great nieces and two goddaughters: Lydia and Wren. Sandy easily made friends, and she will be missed by all those who knew her and whose life she gently touched.



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