

Rest eternal grant to her, O Lord. **And let light perpetual shine upon her.**
May her soul, and the souls of all the departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. **Amen.**

Blessing
May the God of peace who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, equip you with everything good that you may do his will, working in you that which is pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Go forth in the name of Christ.
Thanks be to God.

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Funeral Service in Celebration
of the Life of Inge Ellen Radko, née Wiesner

April 11, 1935 to July 4, 2020
Thursday, July 9, 2020, 1:00 p.m.



*Inge (Wiesener)
& Bob Radko
July 29, 1961*



At the Graveside

Psalm 23

The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want. He makes me lie down in green pastures; he leads me beside still waters; he restores my soul. He leads me in right paths for his name's sake.

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.

You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.

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.

Hymn – *Amazing Grace*

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| 1. 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. | 4. Through many dangers, toils, and snares,
I have already come;
'Tis grace has brought me safe thus far,
And grace will lead me home. |
| 2. 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,
And grace my fears relieved;
How precious did that grace appear
The hour I first believed! | 5. 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. |
| 3. The Lord has promised good to me,
His word my hope secures;
He will my shield and portion be
As long as life endures. | |

The Committal

In sure and certain hope of the resurrection to eternal life through our Lord Jesus Christ, we commend to almighty God our sister Inge, and we commit her body to the ground;
† earth to earth, ashes to ashes, dust to dust.

The Lord bless her and keep her,
the Lord make his face to shine upon her and be gracious to her,
the Lord lift up his countenance upon her and give her peace.
Amen.



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Welcome

*The Rev. Canon Gary van der Meer, Pastor & Incumbent
St. Anne's Anglican Church*

Scripture Sentences

I am Resurrection and I am Life, says the Lord.
Whoever has faith in me shall have life, even though they die.
And everyone who has life, and is committed to me in faith,
shall not die for ever. *John 11.25–26*

Let not your hearts be troubled; believe in God, believe also in me.
In my Father's house are many rooms; if it were not so, would I have told you
that I go to prepare a place for you? And when I go and prepare a place for you,
I will come again and will take you to myself, that where I am you may be also. *John 14.1–3*

I am sure that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities,
nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth,
nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God
in Christ Jesus our Lord. *Romans 8.38–39*

Remembering Inge

Ron Radko

Greeting & Prayers

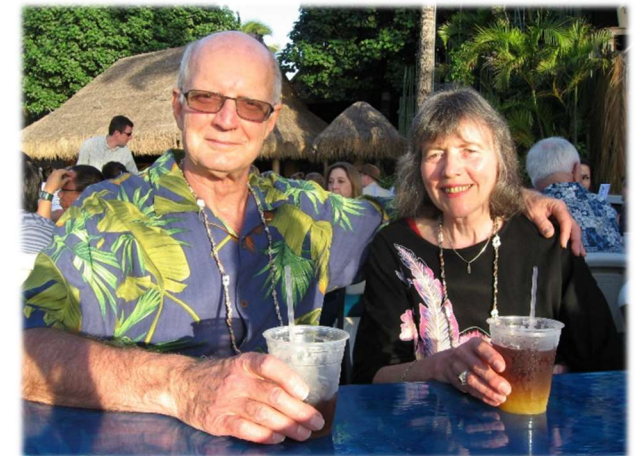
The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Let us pray.

God of all consolation, in your unending
love and mercy you turn the darkness of
death into the dawn of new life.

Show compassion to your people in their
sorrow. Be our refuge and our strength to
lift us from the darkness of grief
to the peace and light of your presence.

Your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, by dying
for us, conquered death and by rising
again, restored life.



May we then go forward eagerly to meet you, and after our life on earth be reunited with our sisters and brothers where every tear will be wiped away.

We ask this through Jesus Christ, the Lord. **Amen.**

Collect

O God, the maker and redeemer of all, grant us, with your servant Inge 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.**

First Reading

A reading from the Book of Isaiah.

Have you not known? Have you not heard? 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. He gives power to the faint, and strengthens the powerless.

Even youths will faint and be weary, and the young will fall exhausted; 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. (40:28-31)

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Second Reading

A reading from the First Letter of Paul to the Corinthians.

Listen, I will tell you a mystery! We will not all die, but we will all be changed, in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised imperishable, and we will be changed.

For this perishable body must put on imperishability, and this mortal body must put on immortality. When this perishable body puts on imperishability, and this mortal body puts on immortality, then the saying that is written will be fulfilled: 'Death has been swallowed up in victory. 'Where, O death, is your victory? Where, O death, is your sting?'



Memories of Inge and Her Family

Inge's mother Emma and Ilse's mother Elisabeth were siblings with an age difference of twelve years. The age difference between the sisters resulted in a gap of fourteen years between Inge and her cousin Ilse.

Due to the war events, the families were not often together. This was also related to the loss of the apartment and emigration from Berlin. It was only after the war that Emma Wiesener met Wolfgang Klatt, Christine Klatt's husband, and Inge's cousin.

Our strong acquaintance only began in 1972, after the siblings first met in Toronto, shortly after Emma's husband, Inge and Irene's father, Otto died. Elisabeth and Kurt Wolff visited Emma at their home on Cherrywood Street in Toronto. Since then, the connection has not been broken and we wish to share some of our experiences.

Ilse and Joachim were in the house for a visit to Emma, and we borrowed a car from Inge and Bob so we could visit the other relatives in Saskatchewan. At that time, Richard and Ronald were still little boys. We would later follow their life through shared pictures and slides and later videos, with interest. We welcomed both boys during visits to Germany with us, as well as with the parents in Berlin.

During our travels in the Americas, from the South in Ecuador via Florida and Ontario in the north, we were able to visit the families along with our daughter Jutta. We then went from east to west in Canada and the USA. We have many pictures and films of this. We also remember the visits and overnight stays in the cottage at Harp Lake and with Irene and Eddy.

In the last two years, our daughter Jutta visited Irene and Inge, and was able to meet with Ron and his daughters. Ilse and grand-daughter Charlotte also took a separate trip to visit Irene and Inge.

We hope that these third-generation connections will be carried on across the different continents, which is now easily possible through the internet. After the Corona pandemic, we are looking forward to further visits between the families.

*Ilse and Joachim and Christine
Berlin, 2020-07-08*





The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Therefore, my beloved, be steadfast, immovable, always excelling in the work of the Lord, because you know that in the Lord your labour is not in vain. (15:51-58)

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The Gospel

The Lord be with you

And also with you.

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John. **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ**

Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. In 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? And 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. And you know the way to the place where I am going.' Thomas said to him, 'Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?' Jesus said to him, 'I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid. (14:1-6,27)

The Gospel of Christ.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Homily

Prayers of the People

God of grace and glory, we thank you for Inge, who was so near and dear to us, and who has now been taken from us.

We thank you for the friendship she gave and for the strength and peace she brought. We thank you for the love she offered and received while she was with us on earth.



The Rev. Canon Gary van der Meer

We pray that nothing good in this woman's life will be lost, but will be of benefit to the world; that all that was important to her will be respected by those who follow; and that everything in which she was great will continue to mean much to us now that she is dead.

We ask you that she may go on living in her family and her friends; in their hearts and minds, in their courage and their consciences.

We ask you that we who were close to Inge may now, because of her death, be even closer to each other, and that we may, in peace and friendship here on earth, always be deeply conscious of your promise to be faithful to us in death.

We pray for ourselves, who are severely tested by this death, that we do not try to minimize this loss, or seek refuge from it in words alone, and also that we do not brood over it so that it overwhelms us and isolates us from others.

May God grant us courage and confidence in the new life of Christ.

We ask this in the name of the risen Lord. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

As our Saviour taught us, let us pray:

**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,
the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.**



The Commendation

We join in the words of this ancient Christian burial hymn.

**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 servants with your saints,
where sorrow and pain are no more,
neither sighing, but life everlasting.**

Into your hands, O merciful Saviour, we commend your servant Inge.

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.

