

**PRELUDE** Em Krall

**GREETING** Rev. Katie Palmer

**POEM** *i thank You God for most this amazing*  
by e.e. cummings Philip Meadows

**OPENING SONG** *You Are the New Day*  
John David, arr. Peter Knight

**PSALM 23:1-3** Mary Schipper  
*The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want.  
He makes me lie down in green pasture;  
He leads me beside still waters; he restores my soul.  
He leads me in right paths for his name's sake.*

**SONG** *Live in Charity (Ubi Caritas), GTG #205*

**PSALM 23:4**  
*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.*

**SONG** *Sheep and Lambs May Safely Graze*  
J.S. Bach arr. Bryceson Treharne

**A MEMORY SHARED** Barbara Richardson

**EULOGY** Cyn Riley

**A MESSAGE OF HOPE** Rev. Katie Palmer

**SONG** *On Eagle's Wings, GTG #43* Mary Meadows  
**Congregation, please join in the refrain:**  
*And I will raise you up on eagle's wings,  
bear you on the breath of dawn,  
make you to shine like the sun,  
and hold you in the palm of my hand.*

**PSALM 23:5**  
*You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies;  
You anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.*

**SONG** *Deep River* Gail Malley  
Arr. Henry T. Burleigh

**PSALM 23:6**  
*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.*

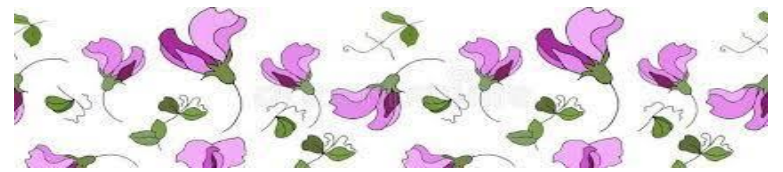
**CLOSING SONG** *In Paradisum*  
Linda Rice Beck

Translation by Gail Malley:  
May the angels lead you into paradise;  
May the martyrs welcome you,  
and lead you into the holy city, Jerusalem.  
May you be greeted by the angel choir,  
and with Lazarus, who once was poor, may you have eternal rest.

**CLOSING PRAYER** Rev. Katie Palmer

We cannot know the full measure of life that comes to us in one person. How the divine Spirit moves and breathes and influences all that life has touched. We only know that the gift of life in Bernie has moved us today so that we find ourselves gathered to celebrate it—to celebrate, as the poet reminds us, all which is natural, which is infinite, which is yes. So to the Spirit who lives and breathes in and around us, we offer thanks for Bernie's life. May her gifts continue to live on in us. Amen.

**BENEDICTION**



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e.e. cummings

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day: for the leaping greenly spirits of trees  
and a blue true dream of sky; and for everything  
which is natural which is infinite which is yes  
(i who have died am alive again today,  
and this is the sun's birthday; this is the birth  
day of life and of love and wings: and of the gay  
great happening illimitably earth)  
how should tasting touching hearing seeing  
breathing any—lifted from the no  
of all nothing—human merely being  
doubt unimaginable You?  
(now the ears of my ears awake and  
now the eyes of my eyes are opened)

Accompanist Em Krall

Singers: Gail Malley, Liz Meadows, Mary Meadows, Michael  
Meadows, Philip Meadows, Joe Cooney, Chris Jordan, Dave  
Ludwig, Cyn Riley, Vic Evans  
Conductor: Andre Garcia Nuthmann

*Worship Service Celebrating the Life of  
Bernadine (Bernie) Meadows  
April 9, 1929 to June 20, 2021*



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Pastor, Rev. Katie Palmer