

In Loving Memory of Jennifer Dawn Schurmann



Funeral Service: 30th July, 2026

St. Michael's Lutheran Church, Tarrington

Officiating Minister: Rev Joshua Pfeiffer

12th August, 1940 – 22nd July, 2026

OPENING

- P** God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ give you grace and peace.
In the name of the Father and of the Son † and of the Holy Spirit.
- C** **Amen.**

REMINDER OF BAPTISM

- P** As we come here in our grief to farewell Jenny, St. Paul comforts as with these words:
"Don't you know that all of us who were baptised into Christ Jesus were baptised into his death? We were therefore buried with him through baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, we too may live a new life. Since we have been united with him like this in his death, we will certainly also be united with him in his resurrection."

HYMN 426 What A Friend we have in Jesus

- 1 What a friend we have in Jesus,
 All our sins and griefs to bear!
 What a privilege to carry
 Everything to God in prayer!
 O what peace we often forfeit,
 O what needless pain we bear,
 All because we do not carry
 Everything to God in prayer.
- 2 Have we trials and temptations?
 Is there trouble anywhere?
 We should never be discouraged;
 Take it to the Lord in prayer.
 Can we find a friend so faithful,
 Who will all our sorrows share?
 Jesus knows our every weakness;
 Take it to the Lord in prayer.

3 Are we weak and heavy-laden,
 Cumbered with a load of care?
Precious Saviour, still our refuge!
 Take it to the Lord in prayer.
Do thy friends despise, forsake thee?
 Take it to the Lord in prayer;
In His arms He'll take and shield thee,
 Thou wilt find a solace there.

Joseph Scriven (1820-1886)

REMEMBERING JENNY

PHOTO PRESENTATION

LITURGY OF THE WORD

GREETING

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

PRAYER

P Let us pray.

P Eternal God, our heavenly Father: be with us as we gather here in your presence to take leave of Jenny, and assure us that you are close to us as we mourn. As we hear your promises, help us to trust in them and accept the comfort they offer. As we grieve for Jenny, deepen our faith in your goodness and mercy, and sustain us by your peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C **Amen.**

PSALM 23

(spoken responsively)

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.

He makes me to lie down in green pastures;

He leads me beside the still waters. He restores my soul;

He leads me in the paths of righteousness for His name's sake.

Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will 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 runs over.

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life;

And I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

Glory to the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit,

as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

READING Romans 8:31-39

What then shall we say to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us? He who did not spare his own Son but gave him up for us all, how will he not also with him graciously give us all things? Who shall bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. Who is to condemn? Christ Jesus is the one who died—more than that, who was raised—who is at the right hand of God, who indeed is interceding for us. Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or danger, or sword? As it is written, “For your sake we are being killed all the day long; we are regarded as sheep to be slaughtered.”

No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers,⁹ 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.

P This is the word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

HOLY GOSPEL John 10:11-17, 27-30

“Jesus says:” I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. He who is a hired hand and not a shepherd, who does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and flees, and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. He flees because he is a hired hand and cares nothing for the sheep. I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father; and I lay down my life for the sheep. And I have other sheep that are not of this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd. For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life that I may take it up again.

My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they will never perish, and no one will snatch them out of my hand. My Father, who has given them to me is greater than all, and no one is able to snatch them out of the Father's hand. I and the Father are one.”

This is the Gospel of our Lord

Praise be to you O Christ

HYMN 387 The Lord's My Shepherd

- 1 The Lord's my shepherd, I'll not want;
 He makes me down to lie
 In pastures green: He leadeth me
 The quiet waters by.
- 2 My soul He doth restore again:
 And me to walk doth make
 Within the paths of righteousness,
 E'en for His own name's sake.
- 3 Yea, though I walk in death's dark vale,
 Yet will I fear no ill;
 For Thou art with me, and Thy rod
 And staff me comfort still.

4 My table Thou hast furnished
 In presence of my foes;
 My head Thou dost with oil anoint,
 And my cup overflows.

5 Goodness and mercy all my life
 Shall surely follow me;
 And in God's house for evermore
 My dwelling-place shall be.

*'Scottish Psalter', 1650
Based on Francis Rous, 1641, and others*

ADDRESS

APOSTLES' CREED

P In the face of death, let us confess our faith in the one true and living
 God, in whose name Jenny was baptised.

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

**And in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried.
He descended into hell.**

The third day he rose again from the dead.

**He ascended into heaven,
and sits at the right hand of God, the Father almighty,
from thence he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

PRAYERS

LORD, HAVE MERCY

P Lord, have mercy.

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P Christ, have mercy.

C **Christ, have mercy.**

P Lord, have mercy.

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P **Let us pray.**

Almighty God, our Father, in whom we live and move and have our being:

We thank you for Jenny and what we have received from her. Sustain us in life and death, and let perpetual light shine on us and all your faithful people. Lord, in your mercy:

C **Hear our prayer.**

P Be with those who mourn, comfort them in their grief, and wipe away all tears from their eyes. Lord, in your mercy:

C **Hear our prayer.**

P Remember Jenny's family. Lighten their sense of loss with your presence, and support them in their loneliness. Lord in your mercy:

C **Hear our prayer.**

P Help those who grieve to support each other, and draw them together in their sorrow. Lord, in your mercy:

C **Hear our prayer.**

P Give those who are bereaved courage to face the future with confidence in your goodness and with hope in the victory of Christ over death. Lord, in your mercy:

C **Hear our prayer.**

P Help us, when we are perplexed and troubled, to believe in the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, and the resurrection to eternal life. Lord, in your mercy:

C **Hear our prayer.**

- P** Be with us in our journey through life and teach us to live wisely,
making the most of our time on earth. Lord, in your mercy:
- C** **Hear our prayer.**
- P** As we are strangers and pilgrims on earth, prepare us all for the world
to come. And when our last hour comes, support us by your power,
and take us home to your heavenly kingdom; through Jesus Christ our
Lord.
- C** **Amen.**

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, for ever and ever. Amen.**

HYMN 888

May the feet of God walk with you,
and his hand hold you tight.
May the eye of God rest on you,
and his ear hear your cry.
May the smile of God be for you,
and his breath give you life.
May the Child of God grow in you,
and his love bring you home.

*Aubrey Podlich 1946- (1983)
LicenSing*

CONCLUSION

TRANSITIONAL BLESSING

P The Lord watch over you, as you go out and as you come in †, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

RECESSION

P In the sure hope of the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come, we take the body of our sister in Christ to its last resting place. Let us go in peace.

C **In the name of the Lord.**



COFFIN BEARERS

Tim Schurmann

Mark Schurmann

Adam Rentsch

Daniel Schurmann

Steven Schurmann

Nick Schurmann

We would like to thank you for your attendance today and for your thoughts and prayers.

You are warmly invited to join us in the Tarrington hall for light refreshments following the graveside committal.

PROCESSION TO THE GRAVE

PEACE

P The peace of the Lord be with you.

C Amen.

PRAYER

WORD OF COMFORT

LOWERING OF COFFIN

COMMITTAL

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but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the
power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

BLESSING

P The Lord give you comfort and peace; and the blessing of Almighty God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit † , be with you always.

C Amen.

DISMISSAL

