



*In Loving  
Memory*

# CELEBRATING THE LIFE

OF

CONSTANCE TEFFT

JANUARY 24, 2010      2:00 P.M.

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## PRELUDE

## CALL TO WORSHIP

### PRAYER OF INVOCATION

Lord of the living and of the dead, infinite Spirit, under whose love and goodness we continually stand: To you this day we lift our voices of both sorrow and hope. Today we remember all who have departed this life, especially your servant Constance Tefft. We thank you for her time with us, and pray that, having opened to her the gates of larger life, she may continue to share in the rewards of your eternal world. O Lord God, grant to each and all of us, that when we, in our appointed time, shall be summoned to join the great company of departed souls, that we may be comforted by the thought that thy healing presence stands waiting for each of us in the land eternal. O God of paradise, where light abounds and life reigns: Console us today, as we commend your servant Constance into your love and care.

Deal graciously with us in our pain and sorrow. Grant us the comfort of your still waters; calm us and restore our souls. Help us to commend Constance into your everlasting care, confident that she rests peacefully in your loving arms. Direct us to follow the voice of the Good Shepherd, who leads us beyond the valleys of evil and death, to dwell in the house of the Lord with all your saints forever. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

\* HYMN No. 452 "Here I Am, Lord"

**RESPONSIVE READING**

**PSALM 46**

- LEADER:** God is our refuge and strength,  
a very present help in trouble.
- PEOPLE:** **Therefore we will not fear, even though the earth be removed, and though the mountains be carried into the midst of the sea.**
- LEADER:** Though its waters roar and be troubled, though the mountains shake with its swelling.
- PEOPLE:** **There is a river whose streams shall make glad the city of God, the holy place of the tabernacle of the Most High.**
- LEADER:** God *is* in the midst of her, and she shall not be moved; God *shall* help her, just at the break of dawn.
- PEOPLE:** **The Lord of hosts *is* with us; the God of Jacob *is* our refuge.**
- LEADER:** Come, behold the works of the Lord, who has made desolations in the earth.
- PEOPLE:** **He makes wars to cease to the end of the earth. He breaks the bow and cuts the spear in two; he burns the chariot in the fire.**
- LEADER:** Be still, and know that I am God. I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth.
- PEOPLE:** **The Lord of hosts *is* with us; the God of Jacob *is* our refuge. Amen.**

**READINGS FROM SCRIPTURE**

PSALM 23

JOHN 17:1-5, 9-25

JOHN 14:1-6, 18, 19, 27

\* **HYMN No. 677** "Let There Be Peace On Earth"

**A TIME FOR MEMORIES**

(Anyone wishing to share memories of Constance may do so at this time.)

**A REFLECTION**

Ms. Sandra DeRienzo

**CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF CONSTANCE TEFFT**

**“ALL THINGS NEW”**

The Rev. Dr. Keith Alderman

**PASTORAL PRAYER**

**THE LORD'S PRAYER (trespasses)**

**\* HYMN No. 546 “Amazing Grace!”**

**WORDS OF COMMITMENT**

**TIME OF SILENCE**

**BENEDICTION**

**Worship Leaders**

The Reverend Dr. Keith C. Alderman

Ms. Janice Bond

Ms. Sandra DeRienzo

Ms. Deb Walker

**\* THOSE WHO ARE ABLE, MAY STAND.**