



First Presbyterian Church of  
**NORTHPORT**

Saturday March 26<sup>th</sup> 2022  
1:00 PM



A Service of Witness to the  
Resurrection and Celebration  
of the Life of  
L. Charlene Cosman

## WELCOME TO THE FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF NORTHPORT

- Whether you live in the area, are new to the area, or are visiting from out of town, we are glad you are here.
- Please let us know of your presence by joining our members in signing our Friendship Pad (blue folder in pew).
- If you have any questions about our church, please ask our greeters and ushers (the folks who handed you a bulletin) or visit our website [www.fpcnorthport.org](http://www.fpcnorthport.org).
- Nursery care is provided each Sunday at our 10:00 am worship service, if you need help please ask an usher.
- Parents of young children are invited to pick up a children's worship bag hanging on the wall in the narthex (entryway).
- Everyone is invited to gather immediately after worship for conversation in the Hartt Room.

## HOW TO CONNECT

- Come to worship—we're here every week!
- Watch our LiveStream on our YouTube Channel!
- Join the church!
- Find the most current information on our website ([www.fpcnorthport.org](http://www.fpcnorthport.org)).



Free Wi-Fi is available throughout the church.

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## TODAY IN WORSHIP

In order that we might give our full attention to God during worship, we request that you turn off, or turn to silent mode, all cell phones and pagers and that no flash photography be taken.

## PRELUDE

*Now Thank We All Our God*

J.S. Bach (from Cantata No. 79)

*Simple Gifts*

J. Wayne Kerr

*The 23<sup>rd</sup> Psalm*

Andrea Jill Higgins

*Wither Thou Goest*

Charlene Cosman

*The King of Love My Shepherd Is*

Mack Wilberg

## WORDS OF WELCOME AND OPENING PRAYER

Rev. Rachel Vione

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP (responsive)

*1 Thessalonians 4:14, 17-18*

We believe that Jesus died and rose again;

**And so it will be for those who have died in Christ.**

God will raise them to be with the Lord.

**Comfort one another with these words.**

### \*HYMN OF PRAISE

“Be Thou My Vision”

SLANE

Be Thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;  
Nought be all else to me, save that thou art  
Thou my best thought, by day or by night,  
Waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light.

Be Thou my Wisdom, and Thou my true Word;  
I ever with Thee and Thou with me, Lord;  
Thou my great Father, I Thy true son;  
Thou in me dwelling, and I with Thee one.

Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise,  
Thou mine inheritance, now and always;  
Thou and Thou only, first in my heart,  
High King of heaven, my Treasure Thou art.

High King of heaven, my victory won,  
May I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's Sun!  
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,  
Still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

## SCRIPTURE READINGS

Psalms 139:1-12

Lori McLoughlin

O LORD, you have searched me and known me.  
You know when I sit down and when I rise up;  
you discern my thoughts from far away.  
You search out my path and my lying down,  
and are acquainted with all my ways.  
Even before a word is on my tongue,  
O LORD, you know it completely.  
You hem me in, behind and before,  
and lay your hand upon me.  
Such knowledge is too wonderful for me;  
it is so high that I cannot attain it.  
Where can I go from your spirit?  
Or where can I flee from your presence?  
If I ascend to heaven, you are there;  
if I make my bed in Sheol, you are there.  
If I take the wings of the morning  
and settle at the farthest limits of the sea,  
even there your hand shall lead me,  
and your right hand shall hold me fast.  
If I say, "Surely the darkness shall cover me,  
and the light around me become night,"  
even the darkness is not dark to you;  
the night is as bright as the day,  
for darkness is as light to you.

John 1:1-5, 10-14

Dennis Van Dyke

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things came into being through him, and without him not one thing came into being. What has come into being in him was life, and the life was the light of all people. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it.  
He was in the world, and the world came into being through him; yet the world did not know him. He came to what was his own, and his own people did not accept him. But to all who received him, who believed in his name, he gave power to become children of God, who were born, not of blood or of the will of the flesh or of the will of man, but of God.  
And the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory, the glory as of a father's only son, full of grace and truth.

\*HYMN

“Our God, Our Help in Ages Past”

ST. ANNE

Our God, our help in ages past  
Our hope for years to come  
Our shelter from the stormy blast  
And our eternal home

Beneath the shadow of thy throne  
Thy saints have dwelt secure  
Sufficient is thine arm alone  
And our defense is sure

Time, like an ever rolling stream  
Bears all our years away  
They fly forgotten, as a dream  
Dies at the opening day

Our God, our help in ages past  
Our hope for years to come  
Be thou our guard while life shall last  
And our eternal home

REMEMBRANCES

Grace Contino  
Alex Cosman  
Jim Marketos/Josh Libresco

CHORAL ANTHEM

“The Yearning”  
Combined Choirs

Craig Courtney/Susan Boersma

MEDITATION

Rev. Jack Crabtree

ORGAN MEDITATION  
With an excerpt from

“Nimrod” *from Enigma Variations, Op. 36*  
“The Return of the King”

Edward Elgar  
J.R.R. Tolkien

CHORAL ANTHEM

“Alleluia”  
Combined Choirs

Randall Thompson

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Rev. Rachel Vione

Pastor: The Lord be with you.  
People: **And also with you.**  
Pastor: Let us pray .....

THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.  
The kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors;  
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.**

\*THE COMMENDATION (please stand)

Pastor: Into your hands, O merciful Savior, we commend your servant, Charlene. Acknowledge, we humbly 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.  
People: **Amen.**

READING "I Have Had Singing" Alex Jenks

SOLO "My Redeemer Lives" Charlene Cosman

TOLLING OF THE BELL John Kennedy

*The bell will toll 67 times, once for each year of Charlene's life.  
During the tolling of the bell, please be in prayer and  
meditation in thanksgiving for Charlene's life.*

After the tolling of the bell, please follow the Pastor and family to Fellowship Hall on the lower level for a reception.

POSTLUDE "Toccata" from Symphony No. 5, Op. 42 Charles Marie Widor

Today's combined choir includes members of the Katzenjammers from Princeton University, the first co-educational a cappella singing ensemble in the Ivy League, as well as alumni of both groups. Charlene was one of the founders of the Katzenjammers. Also in the choir are members and alumni of First Presbyterian's Chancel Choir and the Westminster Youth Choir that Charlene directed for many years.

## ***L. Charlene Cosman***

Born to Dieter and Susanne Cosman, Charlene majored in Medieval Studies at Princeton University. While working at the family businesses, Oak Tree Farm Dairy and Dairy Barn Stores, she earned a Master of Business Administration from Columbia University, and eventually became Chief Financial Officer of both companies. As a member of First Presbyterian Church of Northport, she served as a church officer, sang in the Chancel Choir, directed the Westminster Choir for youth, chaired the Pastor Nominating Committee and the Building Renovation Campaign, among many other contributions to congregational life. Charlene devoted nearly 40 years to the ministry of the Long Island chapter of Youth for Christ, first as a student participant, then as a volunteer including thirteen years as chair of YFC's board of directors. As a dedicated fan and season-ticket holder of the New York Mets, Charlene was gracious in victory and valiant in defeat. She reveled in travelling the world, particularly via cruise ship. In 2016, Charlene was diagnosed with Multiple System Atrophy, a rare, progressive, and debilitating condition. She faced this challenge with faith, hope, charity, courage and humor. Charlene was predeceased by her parents and her brother, Douglas; she is survived by her siblings Kathleen (Charles) Nitabach and Edgar Cosman, her sister-in-law Maren Cosman, and her nieces and nephews Henry Ruppel, Jack Nitabach, Alex Cosman, and Ava Cosman. Charlene is also survived by a coterie of friends from every portion of her many-faceted life and her beloved dachshund Gunther.

## ***Participants in Today's Worship Service:***

Rev. Rachel Vione, Pastor  
Timothy Jenks, Choral Conductor  
Karyn Joaquin Clemons, Guest Conductor  
Deborah Jenks, Organist/Pianist  
Dr. Brenda Clark, Organist  
Dennis Hartin, Reader  
Nancy Hogan, Caitlin Hogan, Ashley Bontje, Lindsay Hogan, Vocal Quartet  
Bernadette Bradley, Tim Gladding, Flutists

## ***Donations:***

Donations in Charlene's memory may be made to the Youth for Christ ([liyfc.org](http://liyfc.org)) and the Katzenjammer Foundation ([katzenjammerfoundation.com/donate](http://katzenjammerfoundation.com/donate)).

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