

I Know that My Redeemer Lives



A Memorial Service for

Marlene Ida Clappier

October 15, 1932 - January 3, 2017

Greeting

Hymn

Blessed Assurance

Blessèd assurance, Jesus is mine!
O what a foretaste of glory divine!
Heir of salvation, purchase of God,
Born of His Spirit, washed in His blood.

Refrain: This is my story, this is my song,
Praising my Savior, all the day long;
This is my story, this is my song,
Praising my Savior, all the day long.

Perfect submission, perfect delight,
Visions of rapture now burst on my sight;
Angels descending bring from above
Echoes of mercy, whispers of love.

Refrain:

Perfect submission, all is at rest
I in my Savior am happy and blest,
Watching and waiting, looking above,
Filled with His goodness, lost in His love.

Refrain:

Invocation and Salutation and Collect

In the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit

Amen.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray: O God of grace and mercy, we give thanks for Your lovingkindness shown to Marlene and to all Your servants who, having finished their course in faith, now rest from their labors. Grant that we also may be faithful unto death and receive the crown of eternal life; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end.

Amen.

Psalm 90,1-12

Lord, Thou hast been our dwelling place in all generations.

Before the mountains were brought forth,

Or ever Thou hadst formed the earth and the world,

Even from everlasting to everlasting, Thou art God.

Thou turnest man to destruction,

And sayest, "Return, ye children of men."

For a thousand years in Thy sight are but as yesterday when it is past,

And as a watch in the night.

Thou carriest them away as with a flood; they are as a sleep:

In the morning they are like grass which groweth up;

In the morning it flourisheth and groweth up;

In the evening it is cut down and withereth.

For we are consumed by Thine anger,

And by Thy wrath are we troubled.

Thou hast set our iniquities before Thee,

Our secret sins in the light of Thy countenance.

For all our days are passed away in Thy wrath;

We spend our years as a tale that is told.

The days of our years are threescore years and ten;

And if by reason of strength they be fourscore years,

Yet is their strength labor and sorrow;

For it is soon cut off and we fly away.

Who knoweth the power of Thine anger?

Even according to the fear of Thee, so is Thy wrath.

So teach us to number our days,

That we may apply our hearts unto wisdom.

Hymn

Know That My Redeemer Lives

I know that my Redeemer lives;

What comfort this sweet sentence gives!

He lives, He lives, who once was dead;

He lives, my ever-living Head.

He lives triumphant from the grave,

He lives eternally to save,

He lives all-glorious in the sky,

He lives exalted there on high.

Psalm 23

The LORD is my Shepherd;

I shall not want.

He maketh me to lie down in green pastures;

He leadeth me beside the still waters.

He restoreth my soul;

**He leadeth 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 Thou art with me;

Thy rod and Thy staff, they comfort me.

Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of my
enemies; Thou anointest my head with oil;

My cup runneth 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.

Amen.

First Lesson

Job 19,25-27

I know that my Redeemer lives,
And at the Last He will take His stand on the earth.

²⁶ Even after my skin is flayed,
Yet in my flesh I shall see God;

²⁷ Whom I myself shall behold,
And Whom my eyes shall see, and not another.
My heart faints within me.

Hymn

I Know That My Redeemer Lives

He lives to bless me with His love,
He lives to plead for me above.

He lives my hungry soul to feed,

He lives to help in time of need.

He lives to grant me rich supply,

He lives to guide me with His eye,

He lives to comfort me when faint,

He lives to hear my soul's complaint..

Second Lesson

1 Corinthians 15,12-28

Now if Christ is preached, that He has been raised from the dead, how do some among you say that there is no resurrection of the dead? ¹³ But if there is no resurrection of the dead, not even Christ has been raised; ¹⁴ and if Christ has not been raised, then our preaching is vain, your faith also is vain. ¹⁵ Moreover we are even found to be false witnesses of God, because we testified against God that He raised Christ, whom He did not raise, if in fact the dead are not raised. ¹⁶ For if the dead are not raised, not even Christ has been raised; ¹⁷ and if Christ has not been raised, your faith is worthless; you are still in your sins. ¹⁸ Then those also who have fallen asleep in Christ have perished. ¹⁹ If we have hoped in Christ in this life only, we are of all men most to be pitied.

²⁰ But now Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who are asleep. ²¹ For since by a man came death, by a man also came the resurrection of the dead. ²² For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ all will be made alive. ²³ But each in his own order: Christ the first fruits, after that those who are Christ's at His coming, ²⁴ then comes the end, when He hands over the kingdom to the God and Father, when He has abolished all rule and all authority and power. ²⁵ For He must reign until He has put

all His enemies under His feet. ²⁶ The last enemy that will be abolished is death. ²⁷ For He has put all things in subjection under his feet. But when He says, “All things are put in subjection,” it is evident that He is excepted who put all things in subjection to Him. ²⁸ When all things are subjected to Him, then the Son Himself also will be subjected to the One who subjected all things to Him, so that God may be all in all.

Hymn I Know That My Redeemer Lives

He lives to silence all my fears,
He lives to wipe away my tears
He lives to calm my troubled heart,
He lives all blessings to impart.

He lives, my kind, wise, heavenly Friend,
He lives and loves me to the end;
He lives, and while He lives, I'll sing;
He lives, my Prophet, Priest, and King.

The Holy Gospel John 14,1-6

[Jesus said to His disciples:] “Do not let your heart be troubled; believe in God, believe also in Me. ² In My Father’s house are many dwelling places; if it were not so, I would have told you; for I go to prepare a place for you. ³ If I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and receive you to Myself, that where I am, *there* you may be also. ⁴ And you know the way where I am going.” ⁵ Thomas said to Him, “Lord, we do not know where You are going,

how do we know the way?” ⁶ Jesus said to him, “I am the Way, and the Truth, and the Life; no one comes to the Father but through Me.”

Apostles' Creed

**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 Ghost,
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 sitteth on the right hand of God the Father
Almighty;
From thence He shall come to judge the quick
and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Ghost;
The holy Christian Church,
the communion of saints;
The forgiveness of sins;
The resurrection of the body;
And the life everlasting. ✠ Amen.**

Hymn I Know That My Redeemer Lives

He lives and grants me daily breath;
He lives, and I shall conquer death:

He lives my mansion to prepare;
He lives to bring me safely there.

He lives, all glory to His name!
He lives, my Jesus, still the same.
Oh, the sweet joy this sentence gives,
“I know that my Redeemer lives!”

Funeral Address

Sermon Text: Psalm 90,1-2

Sermon Theme: Counting Our Days To Make The
Days Count

The Offering

The Reading of the Obituary

Marlene Ida (nee Krause) Clappier passed away peacefully at her home on January 3, 2017.

Marlene was born October 15, 1932, in Onalaska, WI, to Harry and Edna (nee Stellner) Krause. She was baptized into the Christian faith on November 13, 1932, by Pastor Walter Paustian, as witnessed by Emma Stellner and Emil Krause. As a teenager she was also later confirmed at St. Paul’s Lutheran Church in Onalaska, WI.

Marlene attended Sand Lake Grade School and Onalaska High School. Upon graduation, she worked for grocery store owner Rudy Pralle.

In June 1955 she was married at St. Paul’s Lutheran Church in Onalaska, WI, to Richard Clappier, who was in the Marines. The young couple moved to California, where Richard was stationed.

For much of her adult life Marlene worked for the Bell Telephone Company. She and Richard enjoyed their yacht and fishing.

Survivors include her two brothers, Herbert (Ivadell) Krause of Holmen, WI, and Gordon (Rhoda) Krause of Watertown, SD; her sister, Lois (Richard) Babish of Fountain Valley, CA, as well as other relatives and friends. Her husband Richard preceded her in death in September 2010.

Marlene was living at home at the time of her death.

A service in her memory will be conducted in connection with the January 8, 2017, Sunday morning service at 9:00 a.m. by Pastor Steven Karp of St. Stephen Lutheran Church which is held at Grace Lutheran Church, 1836 B Street, Hayward, CA 94541.

Memorials may be directed to St. Stephen Lutheran Church to be used as they see fit, in care of Pastor Steven Karp, 21290 Birch Street, Hayward, CA, 94541.

~Prayers~

Let us pray to the Lord, our God and Father, who raised Jesus from the dead.

Almighty God, You have knit Your chosen people into one communion in the mystical body of Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. Give to Your whole Church in heaven and on earth Your light and Your peace. Lord in Your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Grant that all who have been baptized into Christ's death and resurrection may die to sin and rise to newness of life and so pass with Him through the gate of death and the grave to our joyful resurrection. Lord in Your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Grant that all who have been nourished by the holy body and blood of Your Son may be raised to immortality and incorruption to be seated with Him at Your heavenly banquet. Lord in Your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Give to the family of Marlene and all who mourn comfort in their grief and a sure confidence in Your loving care that, casting all their sorrow on You, they may know the consolation of Your love. Lord in Your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Give courage and faith to the bereaved, that within the communion of Your Church they may have strength to meet the days ahead in the assurance of a sure and holy hope and in the joyful expectation of eternal life with those they love who have departed in the faith. Lord in Your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Help us, we pray, in the midst of things we cannot understand to believe and find comfort in the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Lord in Your mercy,

hear our prayer.

We thank You that You have given Marlene a long life of grace and pray that You would grant that we, too, may die in peace and receive the crown of everlasting glory. Lord in Your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Receive our thanks for Marlene and for all the blessings You bestowed upon her in this earthly life. Bring us at last to our heavenly home that with her we may see You face to face in the joys of paradise. Lord in Your mercy,

hear our prayer.

O God of grace, You sent Your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, to bring life and immortality to light. We give You thanks that by His death He destroyed the power of death and by His resurrection He opened the kingdom of heaven to all believers. Strengthen us in the confidence that because He lives we shall live also, and that neither sin nor death nor life nor things present nor things to come will be able to separate us from Your love, which is in Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever; and who has also taught us to trust His promises and pray:

The 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
forever and ever. AMEN.**

Hymn

Asleep In Jesus

Asleep, in Jesus! Blessèd sleep,
From which none ever wakes to weep;
A calm and undisturbed repose,
Unbroken by the last of foes.

Asleep in Jesus! Oh, how sweet
To be for such a slumber meet,
With holy confidence to sing
That death has lost his venomèd sting!

Asleep in Jesus! Peaceful rest,
Whose waking is supremely blest
No fear, no woe, shall dim that hour
That manifests the Savior's power.

Asleep in Jesus! Oh, for me
May such a blissful refuge be!
Securely shall my ashes lie
And wait the summons from on high.

Benediction

The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His Face shine upon you and be gracious
unto you.
The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you
peace.
In the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy
Spirit.
All: (sung) Amen, Amen, Amen.

**All (sung): Praise God from Whom all blessings flow, |
Praise Him all creatures here below, | Praise Him above
the heavenly host, | Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.**

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Note: While Marlene did not leave any instructions regarding her memorial service, for the most part I have used the hymns and readings she selected for Richard's memorial service in 2010.

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**Lessons for 15 January — The Second Sunday After
The Epiphany**

Old Testament: Deuteronomy 18,15-19

Epistle: Romans 12,6-16

The Holy Gospel: John 2,1-11


Weekly Scripture Verse: For all who are being led by the
Spirit of God, these are the sons of God. (Romans 8,14)

Immediately after this morning's service, there will be a
Voters' Meeting in the Fellowship Hall at Grace.

Next Service in Stockton: Sunday, 15 January, at 2 p.m.

Bible Study. Hayward – Tuesday, 10 January atg 1:30 p.m.

Stockton – Tuesday, 24 January, at 1 p.m.

ILL In your prayers, please remember Nancy and Roy
Cameron; Jean Niblett; Sue (the Karp's' neighbor
who is undergoing chemotherapy), Don Drews;
 Richard and Beth Hocker; Ruth Scheuermann; Pr.
Doug Priestap (Florida); Pr. Steven Karp; Mary
Ryan (of Eau Claire, WI); Deena; Peter.

Call News. The Rev. Mark Tiefel, pastor of Redemption
Lutheran, Lynnwood, WA, has returned the Call to the Tri-
parish: Grace, Valentine, NE, Peace, Mission, and St. Paul's,
White River, SD. The Rev. Frank Gantt, pastor of St. Luke's
Lutheran, Lemmon SD, has accepted the Call to Zion
Lutheran, Lawrenceville GA.

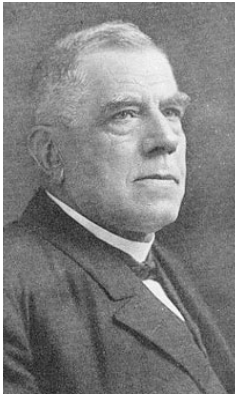
Mission Board News – With Missionary Ohlmann's
acceptance of the Visiting Missionary call and commissioning,

he has resigned from his position on the CLC Board of Missions, and as Chairman of that Board. President Eichstadt has appointed Pastor Rob Sauers to complete Pastor Ohlmann's term on the Board of Missions which ends in 2020. Mr. Joel Krafft was elected as the Board of Missions Chairman.

Handout – President Eichstadt's January 2017 Pastoral Letter.

Reflections – Epiphany – Jan. 8 – Feb. 4, 2017

Georg Stöckhardt, American-German Theologian & Professor (17 February 1842 - 9 January 1913). Stöckhardt



was born in Chemnitz, Germany, and studied theology at the Universities of Erlangen and Leipzig (1862-66). After graduating, he was a private tutor until becoming a Pastor in Planitz, Saxony (1871-3). He became acquainted with the Free Church in Germany and also the Missouri Synod. In 1876, in protest against indifferentism and unscriptural practice in the state church, he and others formed the Evangelical Free Church of Saxony and

Other States; he became its secretary and also editor of the church paper, *Die Evangelisch-Lutherische Freikirche*. For his articles against apostasy in the state church, he was sentenced to four months in prison. In 1878, he emigrated to America and became the pastor of Holy Cross in St. Louis, MO, and also began lecturing at Concordia Seminary. Walther wanted Stöckhardt elected to a professorship at the seminary; the synodical convention elected a young graduate, Franz Pieper. In 1887 Stöckhardt was elected professor. His area of

expertise was exegesis and he wrote commentaries on Romans, Ephesians, 1 Peter, Isaiah 1-12, and Psalms. He also wrote a Bible History. He was a forceful preacher and an orthodox Lutheran. He also wrote various sermon books as well as articles for *Lehre und Webre* and the *Homiletic Magazine*. Virtually all of his writings were in German. He was a staunch supporter of C. F. W. Walther in the Predestinarian Controversy and other controversies of the time.

Ernst I “der Bekenner (the Confessor),” Duke of Braunschweig-Lüneburg, Reformer (26 June 1497 - 11



January 1546). Ernst was a nephew of Frederick the Wise, Elector of Saxony and the son of Heinrich I of Lüneburg, who united his principality with Braunschweig. In 1514 he was sent to his mother's brother's Court at Wittenberg and attended university there, coming under the influence of Luther and other reformers. In 1520, on account of administrative incompetence,

Ernst's father was deposed by the emperor, Charles V, and fled to France, and Ernst and his brother, Otto, became co-rulers; with the retirement of Otto in 1527, Ernst became the sole ruler. Ernst moved slowly to implement the Reformation, but after Roman Catholics tried to reinstate his father in 1527, he became more committed. In July 1527 a Lutheran book of discipline (Church order) was introduced and between 1527 and 1530 Lutheran preachers were introduced in most parishes. In 1530 he signed the Augsburg Confession. During the Smalcald War his territory remained true to the Lutheran faith. He persuaded the northern

German cities of Hamburg, Bremen, Brunswick, Göttingen and others to join the Smalcald League and also mediated disputes within the League in order to keep it together. In 1535 he founded a territorial court of justice based on Roman law and laid the foundation for territorial absolutism. His administrative reforms were bound up with his passion for religious reform. In 1528 in Schwerin, Ernst married Sophia, the daughter of Henry V, Duke of Mecklenburg-Schwerin and Ursula of Brandenburg; they had eight children who reached adulthood. His sons and grandsons signed the *Book of Concord* (1580). Ernst was a champion of the Lutheran cause.



Marlene Ida Clappier
1932 —2017