

# The Funeral Service for Ila Yochim

September 17, 2022

### KING OF GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH | Golden Valley, Minnesota

#### PASTORAL GREETING

#### THE RESURRECTION COMFORT

- P: Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who comforts us in all our troubles, so that we can comfort those in any trouble with the comfort we ourselves have received from God. The apostle Paul writes to the Romans: "The wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord." Jesus gives us this comfort: "I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in me will live, even though he dies; and whoever lives and believes in me will never die."
- C: He gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.
- P: When Christ, who is our life, appears
- C: Then we also will appear with him in glory.
- P: We will be before the throne of God
- C: And serve him day and night in his temple.
- P: Never again will we hunger;
- C: Never again will we thirst.
- P: For the Lamb at the center of the throne will be our shepherd; he will lead us to springs of living water.
- C: And God will wipe away every tear from our eyes.
- P: Let us pray. God of all grace, you sent your Son Jesus to destroy the power of death and to open the kingdom of heaven to all believers. Make us certain that because he lives, we too shall live. Comfort us with your promise that neither death nor life nor things present nor things to come shall be able to separate us from your love which is in Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

#### READING OF THE OBITUARY

**HYMN** *Just As I Am* | #319

#### **APOSTLES' CREED**

C: 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, died, and was buried. He descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from there he shall 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.

#### **PRAYER**

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Psalm 121; Revelation 21:1–7

**HYMN** I'm But a Stranger Here | #474

**SERMON** *Matthew* 6:25–34

HYMN How Great Thou Art | printed

PRAYERS AND LORD'S PRAYER

**BENEDICTION** 

HYMN Amazing Grace | printed

Ila's family invites everyone to a meal in the Fellowship Hall following the service. Committal will then follow at Golden Valley City Cemetery, 2575 Winnetka Ave N.

PreacherRev. Aaron FerkenstadOrganistKaren Merseth

## Ila Jean Yochim

*October 3, 1938 – September 2, 2022* 

Ila Jean (Helmer) Yochim of Golden Valley, Minnesota, died on September 2, 2022 at the age of 83.

Ila was born in Prescott, Wisconsin and grew up on a farm in Ellsworth, Wisconsin. Ila began her education in 1st grade at Fairview Elementary School in Trimbelle Township. Fairview was a one room school with eight grades in one room. The "country" school consolidated with "town" school and her education continued until graduating Ellsworth High School in 1956.

In March of 1957, Ila met her husband Larry and they were married in July of 1957. Ila was a homemaker for a number of years. Her love of children led her to work parttime in the Dist. 281 School district as a teachers' aide. During this time she was active in her church, teaching Sunday School and VBS.

When her children were grown, Ila went to work fulltime for American Medical Systems of Minnetonka. She worked as a line leader and became trainer for new hires coming into the company. After fifteen years with AMS Ila retired and went to work part time at a bookstore. She enjoyed the work as it helped to feed her reading habit.

Preceding her in death are her parents, Bernard and Ethel (Madsen) Helmer; brothers, Valarian Helmer and Dayle (Peggy) Helmer; and her sister, Sandra (Eddie) Carver.

She is survived by her husband, Larry; her children, Lori (David) Swanson, Thomas (Rebecca) Yochim, and Timothy Yochim; eight grandchildren and fourteen greatgrandchildren; sisters, Connie (Bill) Kind and Beatta (Kay) Eichmann; brother-in-law, Eddie Carver; and many cousins, nieces, and nephews.