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Service of Celebration

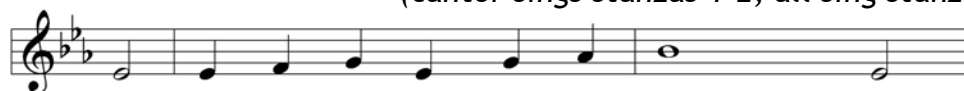
John & Joan Cronin

Saturday, October 8, 2022 – 11:00 a.m.

+ Service of Preparation +

Please Stand

Hymn ~ Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds (vv. 1-3) LSB 465
(cantor sings stanzas 1-2; all sing stanza 3)



1 Now all the vault of heav'n re - sounds In
2 E - ter - nal is the gift He brings, There -
3 O fill us, Lord, with daunt - less love; Set



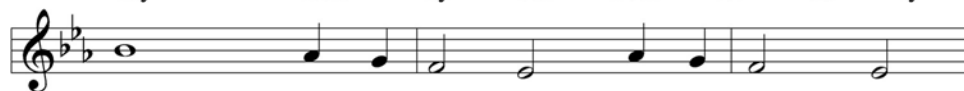
praise of love that still a - bounds: "Christ has tri - umphed!
fore our heart with rap - ture sings: "Christ has tri - umphed!
heart and will on things a - bove That we con - quer



He is liv - ing!" Sing, choirs of an - gels, loud and
He is liv - ing!" Now still He comes to give us
through Your tri - umph; Grant grace suf - fi - cient for life's



clear! Re - peat their song of glo - ry
life And by His pres - ence stills all
day That by our lives we tru - ly



here: "Christ has tri - umphed! Christ has tri - umphed!"
strife. Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!
say: "Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!"



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

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Call to Worship and Invocation

Psalm 121

Pastor: I lift up my eyes to the hills – where does my help come from?

People: **My help comes from the Lord, the Maker of heaven and earth.**

Pastor: He will not let your foot slip—he who watches you will not slumber;

People: **Indeed, he who watches over Israel will neither slumber nor sleep.**

Pastor: The Lord watches over you—the Lord is your shade at your right hand;

People: **The sun will not harm you by day nor the moon by night.**

Pastor: The Lord will keep you from all harm—he will watch over your life;

People: **The Lord will watch over your coming and going both now and forevermore.**

Pastor: All are welcomed in this house of the living God, to sing of God’s name and be refreshed by God’s goodness

People: **And none are turned away.**

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: **Amen.**

Hymn ~ *Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds* (v.4)

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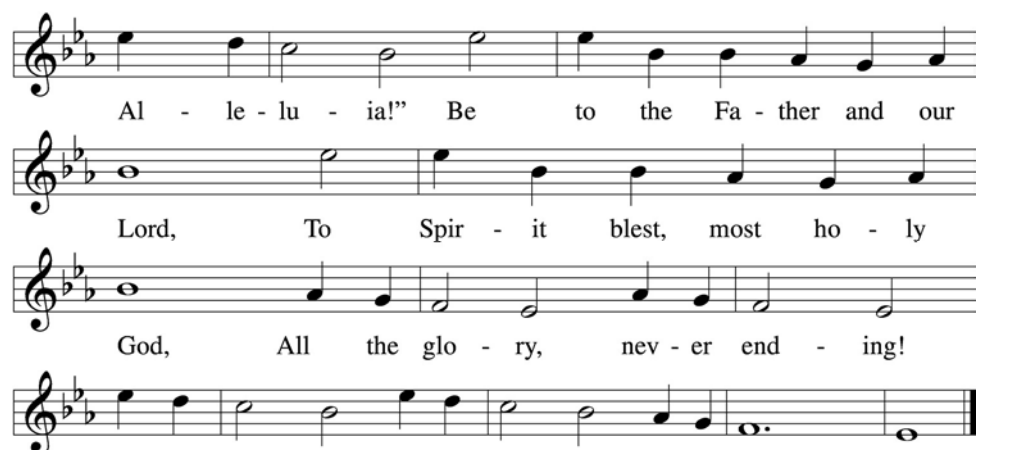
(sung by Cantor)



△ 4 A - dor - ing prais - es now we bring And



with the heav'n - ly bless - ed sing: "Christ has tri - umphed!"



Al - le - lu - ia!" Be to the Fa - ther and our
 Lord, To Spir - it blest, most ho - ly
 God, All the glo - ry, nev - er end - ing!
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

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Psalmody

Psalm 23

Pastor: The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want.

People: **He makes me lie down in green pastures. He leads me beside still waters.**

Pastor: He restores my soul.

People: **He leads me in paths of righteousness for his name's sake.**

Pastor: Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for you are with me.

People: **Your rod and your staff, they comfort me.**

Pastor: You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.

People: **Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.**

Remembrance of Baptism

Pastor: In Holy Baptism, John and Joan were covered with the garment of Christ's infinite grace. The Apostle Paul, in Romans chapter 6,

writes, “Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death?

People: “We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life. For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we shall certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his.”

Old Testament

Isaiah 41:8-13, 54:10

⁸ “But you, Israel, my servant,
Jacob, whom I have chosen,
you descendants of Abraham my friend,
⁹ I took you from the ends of the earth,
from its farthest corners I called you.
I said, ‘You are my servant’;
I have chosen you and have not rejected you.
¹⁰ So do not fear, for I am with you;
do not be dismayed, for I am your God.
I will strengthen you and help you;
I will uphold you with my righteous right hand.
¹¹ “All who rage against you
will surely be ashamed and disgraced;
those who oppose you
will be as nothing and perish.
¹² Though you search for your enemies,
you will not find them.
Those who wage war against you
will be as nothing at all.
¹³ For I am the Lord your God who takes hold of your right hand
and says to you, Do not fear; I will help you.

^{54:10} Though the mountains be shaken and the hills be removed,
yet my unfailing love for you will not be shaken
nor my covenant of peace be removed,”
says the Lord, who has compassion on you.

Pastor: This is the word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God!**

Eulogy

Epistle

1 Thessalonians 4:13-17

¹³ Brothers and sisters, we do not want you to be uninformed about those who sleep in death, so that you do not grieve like the rest of mankind, who have no hope. ¹⁴ For we believe that Jesus died and rose again, and so we believe that God will bring with Jesus those who have fallen asleep in him. ¹⁵ According to the Lord's word, we tell you that we who are still alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will certainly not precede those who have fallen asleep. ¹⁶ For the Lord himself will come down from heaven, with a loud command, with the voice of the archangel and with the trumpet call of God, and the dead in Christ will rise first. ¹⁷ After that, we who are still alive and are left will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. And so we will be with the Lord forever.

Please Stand

Holy Gospel

John 11:17-27

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 28th chapter.

People: **Glory to You, O Lord!**

Now when Jesus came, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb four days. Bethany was near Jerusalem, about two miles off, and many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary to console them concerning their brother. So when Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went and met him, but Mary remained seated in the house. Martha said to Jesus, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. But even now I know that whatever you ask from God, God will give you." Jesus said to her, "Your brother will rise again." Martha said to him, "I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day." Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. Whoever believes in me, though he die, yet shall he live, and everyone who lives and believes in me shall never die. Do you believe this?" She said to him, "Yes, Lord; I believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God, who is coming into the world."

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to You, O Christ!

Please Be Seated

Anthem ~ Ubi Caritas

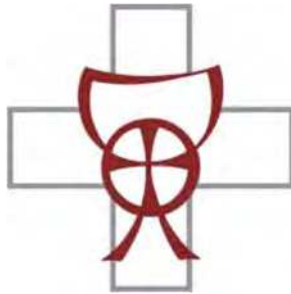
by Maurice Durufle

Ubi caritas et amor, Deus ibi est.
Congregavit nos in unum Christi
amor.
Exsultemus, et in ipso jucundemur.
Timeamus, et amemus Deum vivum.
Et ex corde diligamus nos sincero.
Ubi caritas et amor, Deus ibi est.

English translation:

*Where charity and love are, there God is.
The love of Christ has gathered us into one.
Let us exult, and in Him be joyful.
Let us fear and let us love the living God.
And from a sincere heart let us love each
other (and Him).
Where charity and love are, there God is.*

Message



Please Stand

Prayer of the Church

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.**

Benediction

Hymn ~ *A Mighty Fortress Is Our God*

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1 A might - y for - tress is our God,
2 With might of ours can naught be done,
3 Though dev - ils all the world should fill,
4 The Word they still shall let re - main



A trust - y shield and weap - on;
Soon were our loss ef - fect - ed;
All ea - ger to de - vour us,
Nor an - y thanks have for it;



He helps us free from ev - 'ry need
 But for us fights the val - iant One,
 We trem - ble not, we fear no ill;
 He's by our side up - on the plain



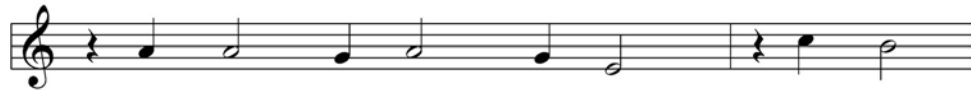
That hath us now o'er - tak - en.
 Whom God Him - self e - lect - ed.
 They shall not o - ver - pow'r us.
 With His good gifts and Spir - it.



The old e - vil foe Now means
 Ask ye, Who is this? Je - sus
 This world's prince may still Scowl fierce
 And take they our life, Goods, fame,



dead - ly woe; Deep guile and great might
 Christ it is, Of Sab - a - oth Lord,
 as he will, He can harm us none.
 child, and wife, Though these all be gone,



Are his dread arms in fight; On earth
 And there's none oth - er God; He holds
 He's judged; the deed is done; One lit -
 Our vic - t'ry has been won; The King -



is not his e - qual.
 the field for - ev - er.
 tle word can fell him.
 dom ours re - main - eth.

A time of visitation will be at Atelier 1879, 2210 Pestalozzi in St. Louis. All are invited to share stories and memories immediately following this morning's memorial service.

Directions to Visitation from Trinity Lutheran Church

- Take either 9th Street or Broadway south to Sidney Street
- Turn west (right) on Sidney Street, taking Sidney to Missouri Avenue
- Turn south (left) on Missouri Avenue, taking it 2 blocks south to Pestalozzi Street
- Atelier 1879 is at 2210, located on the south side of Pestalozzi, between Missouri Ave and Indiana Ave (just west of Missouri Ave)



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Joan Potthoff Cronin

October 11, 1942 – September 22, 2022

Joan Potthoff Cronin passed away at the age of 79 on Sept. 22, 2022, in St. Louis after succumbing to cancer. She is survived by daughter Juliet Adeline Cronin of St. Louis, Mo.; daughter Bridget Cronin Smith (Kenny) of Charlotte, NC.; grandchildren Anne Gordon, Robert, and Kenny; daughter Roxanne Cronin Oesch (Dave) of St. Louis; grandchildren Adeline and Henry; and sister Ruth Potthoff Stewart (Don) of Bland, Mo. Joan was predeceased by her husband, John Robert Cronin.



Joan was born Oct. 11, 1942, in St. Louis to Willis and Adeline Potthoff. She grew up in Creve Coeur and attended Lutheran High School. She earned her undergraduate degree from Washington University in St. Louis, where she met John. He encouraged her to apply to law school, leading her to also earn her Juris Doctor from Washington University School of Law. Joan and John raised their three daughters in Webster Groves, where the girls attended Webster schools and local Lutheran schools.

Joan was a trailblazer for women in law and banking. She was the first woman to be hired as an attorney at Lewis Rice and the first woman to be an assistant dean at Washington University School of Law. As one of the few women to work as lawyer in the mid-1970s, Joan struggled to find work appropriate maternity wear. She designed her own maternity work clothes and hired a seamstress to sew them. Her career took her to the St. Louis Federal Reserve Bank, which she joined as a senior attorney. While in the legal department, her work included an assignment at the Board of Governors in Washington, D.C., managing through the savings and loan crisis in the 1980s. Later she was promoted to General Counsel, the first woman to serve in that position at any Federal Reserve Bank in the nation. After a few years, she was appointed the Senior Vice President of Banking Supervision and Regulation, again the first woman to serve in that position at any Federal Reserve Bank.

Joan was a member of the Missouri chapter of the International Women's Forum and served as president of the board of Girls Inc. of St. Louis. She also served on the board of the Lutheran High School Association and the Finance Advisory Committee of the Webster Groves School District. She was appointed to serve on the History Museum Subdistrict board, which is part of the Zoo Museum District.

Music was one of Joan's hobbies. While in high school, she played the organ at services at Mt. Calvary Lutheran Church in Brentwood as well as at a Lutheran mission church in south St. Louis. More recently, she sang in the choir at Trinity Lutheran Church in Soulard, where she was a member.

Joan was adventurous, and she traveled extensively. Whether kayaking in the fjords of Norway, floating in the salt water of the Dead Sea, canoeing through the Okavango Delta in Botswana, or walking along the Great Wall of China, Joan loved to explore and learn about different cultures. One of her greatest pleasures was traveling with her daughters, giving them the opportunity to experience places such as Russia's Peterhof Palace and the Taj Mahal.

Joan was married to John for 55 years. Even while battling cancer she was a devoted wife, making sure he had quality care and companionship through a long illness.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the Compass Fund for Lutheran high schools in St. Louis: Lutheran High School Association Compass Fund, 5401 Lucas and Hunt Road, St. Louis, Mo., 63121 or online at <https://www.lncrusaders.org/giving>

John Robert Cronin

October 11, 1942 – September 22, 2022



John Robert Cronin passed away at the age of 80 on Sept. 2, 2022, in St. Louis after a long illness.

He is survived by his wife of 55 years, Joan Potthoff Cronin; daughter Juliet Adeline Cronin of St. Louis, Mo.; daughter Bridget Cronin Smith (Kenny) of Charlotte, N.C.; grandchildren Anne Gordon, Robert, and Kenny; daughter Roxanne Cronin Oesch (Dave) of St. Louis; grandchildren Adeline and Henry; sister Elizabeth Anne Dawson (Todd Cunningham) of Alexandria, Va.; brother James Aloysius Cronin (Bev Temmer) of Mukilteo, Wash.; and nieces and nephews.

John was born June 1, 1942, in Framingham, Mass., to Aloysius and Clara Rose Cronin. The family moved to Richmond, Va., while John was elementary school. He was a proud graduate of Benedictine College Preparatory School in Richmond. He earned a bachelor's degree in economics from Virginia Polytechnic Institute in Blacksburg Virginia and an MBA from Washington University in St. Louis, where he met his wife, Joan.

John started Craftwell Homes, a mobile home business, first moving and setting up homes, then opening a dealership. Eventually he owned and operated mobile home communities in the St. Louis area.

John was one of the community leaders of Save the Heart of Webster, a successful effort to stop a St. Louis County proposal to widen Elm Avenue in Webster Groves. John, along with neighbors, made hearts by hand, some of which still hang on houses on Elm today, while Elm Avenue remains a 2-lane road. He also served on the Webster Groves Parks and Recreation Commission.

Outside of work, John's passion was wine. He enjoyed tasting and collecting wine, over time amassing a sizeable cellar. Sharing a perfectly aged bottle (and a story to go with it) with friends and family was one of his favorite things.

When their three girls were in elementary school John and Joan began exploring Western Europe on trips that used as many forms of transportation as John could find. There were luxury diesel trains with dining cars in Spain, electric trains in England, the London tube, a week living on a narrow boat in the Midlands canals, speeding taxis in Rome and navigating narrow mountain roads in a tiny rental car in Greece and the former Yugoslavia.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to Benedictine College Preparatory School in Richmond.

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