

In Celebration of Phyllis J. Bade

December 4, 1926 – November 11, 2020



*“I will sing of the steadfast love and justice;
to you, O LORD, I will make music.”*

- Psalm 101:1 -

♪ “Christ in Me Arise”

♪ “You are Mine”

Greeting

Call to Worship

One: Hear the promises of God. God is near to all who call, who call from their hearts.

All: The desires of those who fear God are fulfilled; their cries are heard; they are saved.

One: Jesus proclaims: I am the resurrection and the life; all who believe in me, though they die, yet shall they live, and whoever lives and believes in me shall never die.

All: Blessed are the dead who die in Christ. “Blessed indeed,” says the Spirit, “that they may rest from their labors, for their deeds follow them!”

Prayer

♪ “I am the Bread of Life”

Reading of Scriptures

Psalm 98

John 14:1-3

One: Let us pray: Merciful God, we thank you for your word; it is a lamp for our feet, a light for our path. We thank you especially that in the night of our grief and in the shadows of

our sorrow, we are not left to ourselves. We have the light of your promises to sustain and comfort us.

All: Through our tears, give us vision to see in faith the consolation you intend for us. In your mercy, grant us the unfailing guidance of your saving Word, both in life and in death; through Jesus Christ our risen Savior we pray. Amen.

♪ “Here I am Lord”

Celebration of Life - *Remembering Phyllis*

♪ “Be Not Afraid”

Affirmation of Faith - from Romans 8

One: Let us say again what we believe

All: We believe there is no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus, and we know that in everything God works for good with those who love God, who are called according to God's purpose. We are sure that neither death, nor life, nor angels nor principalities, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

We Remember Her

One: At the rising of the sun and its going down,

All: we remember her.

One: At the blowing of the wind and in the chill of winter,

All: we remember her.

One: At the opening of the buds and the rebirth of spring,

All: we remember her.

One: At the blueness of the skies and in the warmth of summer,

All: we remember her.

One: When we are lost and sick at heart,

All: we remember her.

One: When we have decisions that are difficult to make,

All: we remember her.

One: When we have achievements that are based on hers,

All: we remember her.

As long as we live, she too will live, for she is now a part of us, as we remember her.

♪ **“I Have Loved You”**

Prayer of Thanksgiving, Silent Prayer, Lord's Prayer

♪ **“I Know That My Redeemer Lives”**

Commendation

Song of Simeon

**All: Lord, now let your servant go in peace;
your word has been fulfilled; my own
eyes have seen the salvation which you
have prepared in the sight of every
people; a light to reveal you to the
nations and the glory of your people
Israel.**

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,
and to the Holy Spirit as it was in the
beginning is now and ever shall be
world without end. Amen.**

Benediction

♪ **“How Can I Keep From Singing”**

*Peace United Church of Christ
Kewaskum, Wisconsin*

*Officiant – Rev. J. Eric Kirkegaard
Soloist – Marie Ferris
Pianist – Michele Beason*

Phyllis J. Bade

Phyllis J. Bade (Fischer), age 93 years, of Kewaskum was called home to be with the Lord on November 11, 2020 at Kettle Moraine Gardens in Kewaskum.

Phyllis was born on December 4, 1926 in Watertown to Harold and Mildred Fischer (Joeckel). Although she lived most of her life in Kewaskum with her family, her roots to Lake Mills, WI where she grew up were deep. Their family owned department store, Fischer's, was an important part of her life, as well as growing up on her beloved Rock Lake.

Phyllis attended the Lake Mills Public Schools and graduated from Lake Mills High School in 1944. In 1948 she earned her Bachelor of Arts Degree in English from the University of Wisconsin-Madison. She worked as a buyer for Baron's Department Store in Madison after graduation.

Phyllis was united in marriage to Walter Bade on September 8, 1948 at First Congregational Church in Lake Mills. They lived in Madison until Walter graduated from the University of Wisconsin-Madison, after serving in WWII in the Pacific Theatre. Walter graduated in 1950 with his degree in Education, and Phyllis and Walter moved to Kewaskum where he began his teaching and coaching career.

Phyllis was a life-long member of Peace United Church of Christ in Kewaskum. She sang for many years in the choir, and was known for her beautiful voice which she shared generously at weddings and funerals. Phyllis was a member of the Church's

Women at Peace and served on various committees during her years as a Peace Church member.

Phyllis enjoyed her book clubs, bridge clubs, Bible study groups, Kewaskum Women's Club, charity work, and being a mother to five children. She also enjoyed her vegetable and flower gardens, was an avid reader, and loved swimming and the outdoors. Phyllis and Walter were active and belonged to the University of Wisconsin-Madison Alumni Association.

Those Phyllis leaves behind to cherish her memory include her four children, Judith (Richard) Rusch of Milton, Barbara (Kevin) Strand of Poynette, David (Susan) Bade of Urbandale, Iowa and Susan (Daniel) Chesak of Saukville; seven grandchildren, Samuel Clapper and Michael (Angela) Clapper, John Dezso and Benjamin (Tara) Dezso, and Jordan, Alexander, and Emma Bade; four great-grandchildren, Annabelle Clapper, Jaci Clapper, Bennett Dezso, and Anthony Skrede; one brother, Charles Fischer of Chanhassen, Minnesota, a brother-in-law, Robert Baechle of Madison; son-in-law, Mark Dezso of Tucson, Arizona; and many nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

In addition to her parents, Phyllis was preceded in death by her beloved husband, Walter; and her daughter, Karen Jean Dezso.

Memorials to the KEYS scholarship fund or Peace United Church of Christ in Phyllis' name are appreciated.