



A Celebration of the Life of
Beverley Evans
February 5, 2023

**FIRST CHURCH
IN CAMBRIDGE**
Congregational 1633-1636
United Church of Christ
Garden and Mason Streets
Cambridge, Massachusetts

*You are warmly invited to a reception immediately following
the service in Margaret Jewett Hall.*

Participating in the Service

Rev. Daniel A. Smith, *Senior Minister*
Peter Sykes, *Organist and Director of Music*
Susie and Perry Neubauer, *First Church Friends*
Rebecca and Zoe Evans, *Bev's Grandchildren*
Stephen and Michael Evans, *Bev's Sons*

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

VOLUNTARY

Adorn thyself, O Soul, with gladness

J.S. Bach

*HYMN (insert)

For the Beauty of the Earth

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 121

GREETING

Rev. Daniel Smith

OPENING PRAYER

READING

John 14: 1-3

Rebecca Evans

READING

Ecclesiastes 3: 1-4

Zoe Evans

POEM

“Bev the Ultimate Nurse”
(written for Bev’s 80th birthday)

Perry Neubauer

*HYMN

Psalm 23

WORDS OF REMEMBRANCE

Susie Neubauer
Stephen Evans
Michael Evans

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD’S PRAYER

(Please pray this prayer and address God in words most meaningful to your heart.)

**All: Our Creator, 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. Amen.**

*HYMN (insert)

Amazing Grace

*BENEDICTION

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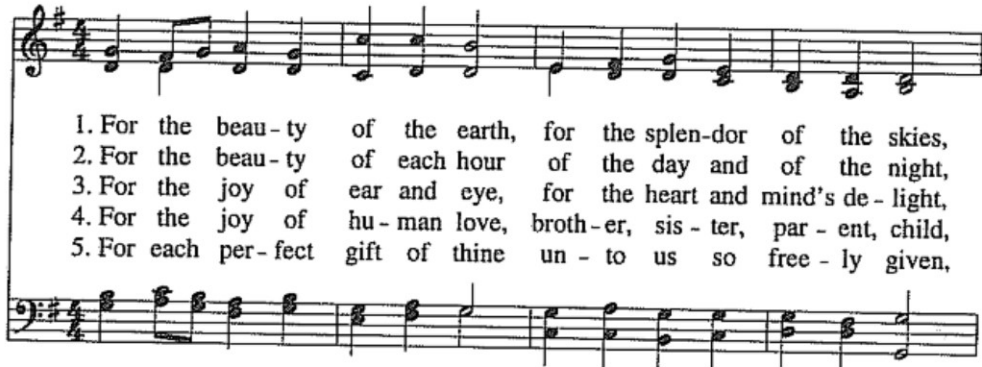
Fugue in E-Flat Major (St. Anne)

J. S. Bach

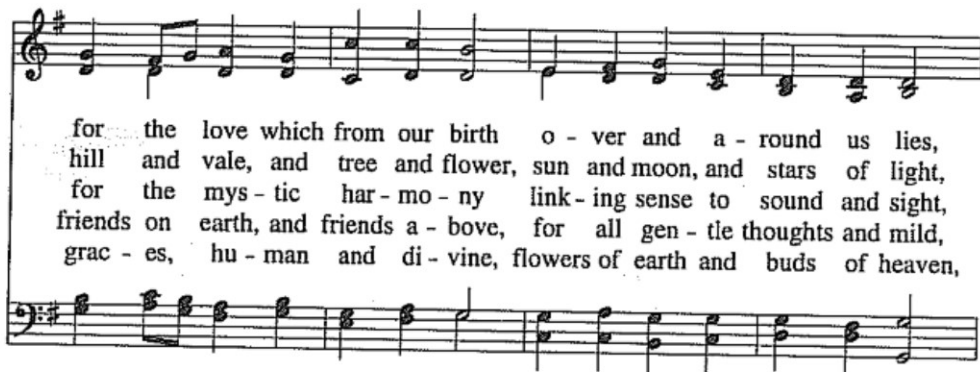
**You are invited to stand.*

OPENING HYMN

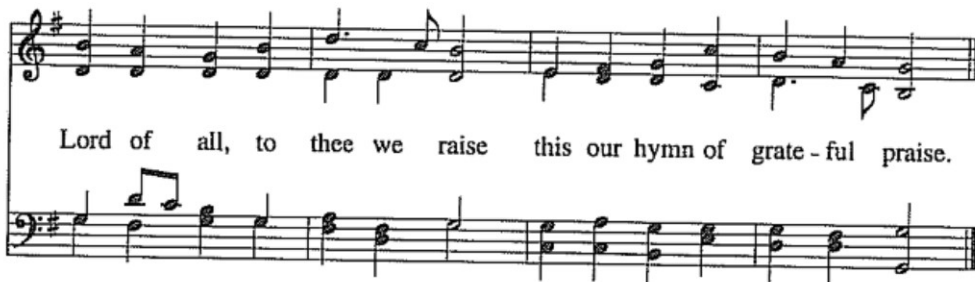
For the Beauty of the Earth



1. For the beau-ty of the earth, for the splen-dor of the skies,
2. For the beau-ty of each hour of the day and of the night,
3. For the joy of ear and eye, for the heart and mind's de-light,
4. For the joy of hu-man love, broth-er, sis-ter, par-ent, child,
5. For each per-fect gift of thine un-to us so free-ly given,



for the love which from our birth o-ver and a-round us lies,
hill and vale, and tree and flower, sun and moon, and stars of light,
for the mys-tic har-mo-ny link-ing sense to sound and sight,
friends on earth, and friends a-bove, for all gen-tle thoughts and mild,
grac-es, hu-man and di-vine, flowers of earth and buds of heaven,



Lord of all, to thee we raise this our hymn of grate-ful praise.

WORDS: Folliott S. Pierpoint, 1864, alt.

MUSIC: Conrad Kocher, 1838; adapt. William H. Monk, 1861

Originally written as a joyful communion hymn, Pierpoint's text had as its refrain, 'Christ, our God, to thee we raise, this our sacrifice of praise.'

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MIDDLE HYMN

Psalm 23

1. My God, my shep-herd and my guide, you sat - is -
2. You bring my soul to peace a - gain and set my
3. You lay a ban-quet out for me in sight of
4. I know your good-ness and your love will al - ways

fy my need, you of - fer rest in pleas - ant fields,
path a - right. Your rod and staff sub - due my fears,
all my foes. You hon - or me and fill my cup
fol - low me, and in your house I'll make my home

to wat - ers calm you lead.
in dark-ness you give light.
un - til it ov - er - flows.
for all e - ter - ni - ty.

WORDS: New translation by Denise Karuth

MUSIC: New England Psalter, 1698

LOW DUTCH

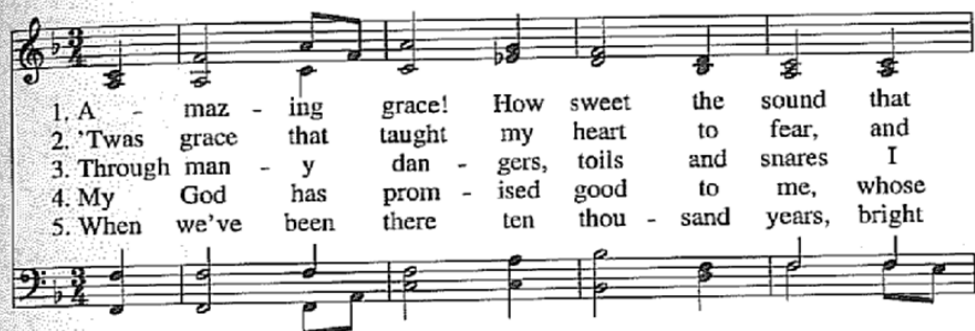
One has to need the Psalms before one greatly prizes them. It is not until we are the sheep of the Shepherd, and we are aware that he is leading us and making us to rest by the still waters that we know the twenty-third psalm. It is not until we are in the valley of the shadow of death that we can sing, as it should be sung: "I will fear no evil, for thou art with me."

The Psalms deepen and exalt life. The deepened and exalted life is fond of the Psalms.

Alexander McKenzie
Eleventh Minister 1867-1912

CLOSING HYMN

Amazing Grace! How Sweet the Sound



1. A - maz - ing grace! How sweet the sound that
 2. 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and
 3. Through man - y dan - gers, toils and snares I
 4. My God has prom - ised good to me, whose
 5. When we've been there ten thou - sand years, bright



saved and set me free! I once was lost, but
 grace my fears re - lieved; how pre - cious did that
 have al - read - y come; 'tis grace has brought me
 word my hope se - cures; God will my shield and
 shin - ing as the sun, we've no less days to



now am found; was blind, but now I see.
 grace ap - pear the hour I first be - lieved!
 safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.
 por - tion be as long as life en - dures.
 sing God's praise than when we'd first be - gun.

WORDS: St. 1-4, John Newton, 1779, alt.; St. 5, *A Collection of Sacred Ballads*, 1790
 MUSIC: Shaw and Spilman's *Columbian Harmony*, Cincinnati, 1829; harm. FCC, 1997

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John Newton, an English Anglican pastor, had been a captain of a slave ship until he experienced an 'awakening' in a storm at sea. At age forty

Harm. © 1998 FCC Houston TX

OBITUARY

Beverley Ann (Broughton) Evans

May 13, 1939 - January 12, 2023

Beverley Ann (Broughton) Evans was born in Sault Ste. Marie Ontario Canada on May 13, 1939, the first child of Alan Broughton and Margaret (Book) Broughton. She died peacefully in her home on January 12th, 2023 after struggling with Alzheimer's in recent years. She was 83.

Beverley – known to most of her friends as “Bev” – grew up in Sault Ste. Marie, Canada with her younger sister, Barbara (Broughton) Flaggert. She traveled across the border to attend Central Michigan University, before transferring to the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor where she earned a Bachelor's of Science degree in Nursing. Bev stayed on at the University of Michigan to complete the requirements to become a registered nurse. During that time, she met her husband, Lawrence (Larry) Evans, who was in graduate school. After completing her studies at U of M, Bev moved to Cambridge, MA in 1963 to join Larry who had moved there the year before to teach chemical engineering at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

Bev was always curious and friendly, interested in meeting new people and helping others. She chose to specialize as a psychiatric nurse and started her nursing career at McLean Hospital in the early 1960s before mental health was a mainstream topic and when fewer treatments were available for those in need. During her nursing career, she also worked at other Boston area hospitals, including Leonard Morse Hospital, Newton Wellesley Hospital and Mount Auburn Hospital. She was a passionate advocate for mental health and not overmedicating patients. During her time as a nurse, she helped countless patients through extremely difficult times in their lives with compassion, a sense of humor and a lot of pragmatism and common sense.

Bev was a delightful, trusted and loyal friend to many. She was socially active in the various communities where she lived. In the Coolidge Hill neighborhood of Cambridge, where she lived for more than 50 years, Bev looked after her neighbors and ensured that neighborhood traditions carried on. She enjoyed spending time at her home on Martha's Vineyard, and participated in town meetings in Aquinnah, MA. She loved spending the day at Philbin Beach which reminded her of the summer waterfront cottage on Lake Superior in Sault Ste. Marie, where she spent summers as a child. Most of all, Bev was kind, caring and a lot of fun.



Bev was a devoted mother to her two sons, Stephen and Michael, and a proud grandmother to her four grandchildren. She loved meeting new people, traveling and exploring new cultures. She was a lifelong learner who enjoyed taking writing classes, pottery classes and attending lectures with Larry in downtown Boston.

Beverley was preceded in death by her parents and her sister Barbie, who died three weeks prior to her in Grand Rapids, Michigan. She is survived by her husband of 59 years, Larry Evans; her son, Stephen Alan Evans and his wife, Elizabeth Albert; her son Michael Patrick Evans and his wife, Laura Rozen; her grandchildren: Jeremy Evans, Rebecca Evans, Zoe Evans and Abigail Evans.

*Gifts may be made in Beverley's memory to the Sheriff's Meadow Foundation,
(<https://sheriffsmeadow.org/>),
a conservation group that Bev supported on Martha's Vineyard.*

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