



A LITURGY IN THANKSGIVING FOR THE LIFE OF

MARGARET CARRINGTON STOCKTON

MARCH 16, 1942 – FEBRUARY 21, 2023

Immanuel Church-on-the-Hill
Episcopal/Anglican

IMMANUEL CHAPEL
3737 Seminary Road
Alexandria, Virginia



March 16, 2023

11:00 a.m.



THE STOCKTON FAMILY

(left to right) Khary, Susan, Jahi, Margaret, Isa, and Carlton

MARGARET CARRINGTON STOCKTON

1942 - 2023



Margaret Carrington Stockton, wife of Carlton Alonza Stockton, passed away on the morning of February, 21st at Fairfax County Hospital.

Margaret was born in Danielstown, Virginia on March 16, 1942 to James and Marian Carrington. Margaret spent her early childhood with her parents and brother, Kensey, living near relatives in Danielstown. She started elementary school in 1946 at age 4 and graduated from James Solomon Russell High School in 1959. She enrolled in Saint Paul's College as a business major in 1959 and graduated in 1963. After graduation she worked in an accounting office of a brewery company in

Brooklyn, New York. In 1964 she and Carlton were married in Saint Paul's College Chapel by Father Easley.

Margaret enrolled in New York University and, after receiving her Masters degree in Business Administration, began her teaching career. Her first teaching position was in Long Island City, New York. She held multiple teaching positions in Oakton, Michigan and Fairfax County Virginia at Robinson High School. In 1971 Carlton and Margaret's son Khary was born in Hutsell Hospital in Detroit, Michigan.

They both entered graduate school during the summer of 1976 at Harvard University -- Margaret in the graduate school of education, while Carlton attended the Kennedy School of Government. Khary attended the day care with other children of students from around the world. After completing their graduate studies in 1977, the family settled in northern Virginia.

Margaret was committed to public service and active in her community. She was initiated in Delta Sigma Theta Chapter at St. Paul's College. She was active in the churches she attended: first at Mount Zion Church in Danielstown, followed by Immanuel-Church-on-the-Hill in Alexandria, and finally, Bruton Parish in Williamsburg, VA. She fulfilled her ministry duties at Bruton Parish through an extensive program for members of the parish.

Her community efforts continued with her sorors of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority in Williamsburg, Virginia. She held many leadership positions with the local chapter and often participated in local events. In addition, she



volunteered for other organizations like Vintage Ladies, and Meals on Wheels. Margaret and Carlton were honorary alumni of the College of William and Mary, where their son, Khary was educated. She was also active with the William and Mary library advisory group.

Margaret is survived by her husband of 58 years, Carlton, their son, Khary, daughter-in-law, Susan, and grandchildren, Jahi and Isa. She is also survived by her brother, Kensey of Richmond, niece Janelle, nephew Arthur, grandniece, Amaya.

Margaret was the ultimate matriarch. She loved to be with family and was an excellent cook. Just ask her grandkids!

“Rest eternal grant to her, O Lord; and let light perpetual shine upon her. May her soul and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen”

The family requests that in lieu of flowers donations may be made in Margaret’s memory to the following:



THE MARGARET C. STOCKTON MEMORIAL FUND

C/o Immanuel Church-on-the-Hill
3606 Seminary Road
Alexandria, VA 22304
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**WILLIAMSBURG ALUMNAE CHAPTER
DELTA SIGMA THETA SORORITY, INC.**

THE BURIAL OF THE DEAD, RITE II

Prelude: “Jesu, Joy of Man’s Desiring”

Johann Sebastian Bach

“Sheep May Safely Graze”

“I Surrender All”

African American Spiritual

Winfield S. Weeden

The liturgy for the dead is an Easter liturgy. It finds all its meaning in the resurrection. Because Jesus was raised from the dead, we too, shall be raised.

The liturgy, therefore, is characterized by joy, in the certainty 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."

This joy, however, does not make human grief unchristian. The very love we have for each other in Christ brings deep sorrow when we are parted by death. Jesus himself wept at the grave of his friend. So, while we rejoice that one we love has entered into the nearer presence of our Lord, we sorrow in sympathy with those who mourn.

All please stand while the following anthems are said. (Book of Common Prayer, page 491)

Opening Sentences:

I am Resurrection and I am Life, says the Lord.
Whoever has faith in me shall have life,
even though he die.
And everyone who has life,
and has committed himself to me in faith,
shall not die for ever.

As for me, I know that my Redeemer lives
and that at the last he will stand upon the earth.
After my awaking, he will raise me up;
and in my body I shall see God.
I myself shall see, and my eyes behold him
who is my friend and not a stranger.

For none of us has life in himself,
and none becomes his own master when he dies.
For if we have life, we are alive in the Lord,
and if we die, we die in the Lord.
So, then, whether we live or die,
we are the Lord’s possession.

Happy from now on
are those who die in the Lord!
So it is, says the Spirit,
for they rest from their labors.

found in the red hymnal Lift Every Voice and Sing II

Clergy: The Lord be with you.

People: ***And also with you.***

Clergy: Let us pray.

Collect: O God, whose mercies cannot be numbered: Accept our prayers on behalf of your servant Margaret, and grant her an entrance into the land of light and joy, in the fellowship of your saints; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. ***Amen.***

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

The First Lesson: Lamentations 3:22-26, 31-33

read by Miss. Isa G. Stockton

The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases,
his mercies never come to an end;

they are new every morning;
great is your faithfulness.

'The Lord is my portion,' says my soul,
'therefore I will hope in him.'

The Lord is good to those who wait for him,
to the soul that seeks him.

It is good that one should wait quietly
for the salvation of the Lord.

For the Lord will not
reject for ever.

Although he causes grief, he will have compassion
according to the abundance of his steadfast love;

for he does not willingly afflict
or grieve anyone.

The Word of the Lord
Response: ***Thanks be to God***

Psalm 121 *Levavi oculos*

led by Mr. Jahi A. Stockton

- 1 I lift up my eyes to the hills; *
from where is my help to come?
- 2 My help comes from the LORD, *
the maker of heaven and earth.
- 3 He will not let your foot be moved *
and he who watches over you will not fall asleep.

- 4 Behold, he who keeps watch over Israel *
shall neither slumber nor sleep;
- 5 The LORD himself watches over you; *
the LORD is your shade at your right hand,
- 6 So that the sun shall not strike you by day, *
nor the moon by night.
- 7 The LORD shall preserve you from all evil; *
it is he who shall keep you safe.
- 8 The LORD shall watch over your going out and
your coming in, *
from this time forth for evermore.

The Epistle: Revelation 21:2-7

read by Ms. Evelyn Slappy

And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, 'See, the home of God is among mortals. He will dwell with them; they will be his peoples, and God himself will be with them; he will wipe every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away.'

And the one who was seated on the throne said, 'See, I am making all things new.' Also he said, 'Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true.' Then he said to me, 'It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give water as a gift from the spring of the water of life. Those who conquer will inherit these things, and I will be their God and they will be my children.'

The Word of the Lord

Response: *Thanks be to God*

Psalm 23 *Dominus regit me*

read by Mr. Jahi A. Stockton

- 1 The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.
- 2 He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he leadeth me beside the still waters.
- 3 He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.
- 4 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.
- 5 Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.
- 6 Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

Sequence Hymn 671: "Amazing grace! how sweet the sound"

New Britain

(found in The Hymnal 1982)

The Holy Gospel : John 14:1-6

Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to John
Response: ***Glory to you, Lord Christ***

Jesus said, “Do not let your hearts be troubled. You believe in God; believe also in me. My Father’s house has many rooms; if that were not so, would I have told you that I am going there to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back and take you to be with me that you also may be where I am. You know the way to the place where I am going.”

Thomas said to him, “Lord, we don’t know where you are going, so how can we know the way?”
Jesus answered, “I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.”

The Gospel of the Lord
Response: ***Praise to you, Lord Christ.***



Tribute from the Family: Mr. Khary A. Stockton

The Homily: The Rev. J. Randolph Alexander, Jr.

In the assurance of eternal life given at Baptism, let us proclaim our faith and say:

***I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ,
his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.***

***He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again
to judge the living and the dead.***

***I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.***

The Prayers

led by The Rev. Karen Conner-Wilson

For our sister, Margaret, let us pray to our Lord Jesus Christ who said, "I am Resurrection and I am Life."

Lord, you consoled Martha and Mary in their distress; draw near to us who mourn for Margaret, and dry the tears of those who weep.

Hear us, Lord.

You wept at the grave of Lazarus, your friend; comfort us in our sorrow.

Hear us, Lord.

You raised the dead to life; give to our sister eternal life.

Hear us, Lord.

You promised paradise to the thief who repented; bring our sister to the joys of heaven.

Hear us, Lord.

Our sister was washed in Baptism and anointed with the Holy Spirit; give her fellowship with all your saints.

Hear us, Lord.

She was nourished with your Body and Blood; grant her a place at the table in your heavenly kingdom.

Hear us, Lord.

Comfort us in our sorrows at the death of our sister; let our faith be our consolation, and eternal life our hope.

The Celebrant concludes with the following collect:

Lord Jesus Christ, we commend to you our sister, Margaret, who was reborn by water and the Spirit in Holy Baptism. Grant that her death may recall to us your victory over death, and be an occasion for us to renew our trust in your Father's love. Give us, we pray, the faith to follow where you have led the way; and where you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, to the ages of ages. ***Amen.***

The Peace

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Communion Hymn 687: "A mighty fortress is our God"

found in The Hymnal 1982

Ein feste Burg

Presentation Hymn 380: Doxology (verse 3)

Old 100th

***Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.***

The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer B

p. 367

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.
People: ***And also with you.***
Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.
People: ***We lift them to the Lord.***
Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People: ***It is right to give God thanks and praise.***

Then, the Celebrant proceeds:

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, through Jesus Christ our Lord; who rose victorious from the dead, and comforts us with the blessed hope of everlasting life. For to your faithful people, O Lord, life is changed, not ended; and when our mortal body lies in death, there is prepared for us a dwelling place eternal in the heavens.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus S130

(from the front of The Hymnal 1982)

Franz Peter Schubert

***Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.***

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

The people stand or kneel. Then the Celebrant continues

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

Celebrant and People

***We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;***

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with the ever-blessed Virgin Mary, blessed Mary Magdalene, blessed Peter, James and John, and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. ***Amen.***

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

People and Celebrant:

*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,
for ever and ever. Amen.*

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Celebrant: Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People: *Therefore let us keep the feast.*

Celebrant: The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

If you would only like to receive the consecrated Bread please extend one hand. Crossed hands indicate you would like to receive consecrated Wine as well, either intincted (dipped) by you or by drinking from the chalice. The glass chalice is for intinction and the silver one is for drinking. If you are physically unable to come to the Altar, please let an usher know that you would like to have Communion brought to you.

Post Communion Prayer

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

*Almighty God, we thank you that in your great love
you have fed us with the spiritual food and drink
of the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ,
and have given us a foretaste of your heavenly banquet.
Grant that this Sacrament may be to us a comfort in affliction,
and a pledge of our inheritance in that kingdom
where there is no death, neither sorrow nor crying,
but the fullness of joy with all your saints;
through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.*

The Blessing

The Dismissal

Clergy: Let us go forth in the name of Christ

People: *Thanks be to God*

Closing Hymn 179: “ ‘Welcome happy morning!’ Age to age shall say”

Fortunatus

found in The Hymnal 1982

Postlude: “Ode to Joy”

Ludwig van Beethoven

*During the playing of the Postlude — please follow the procession to:
Zabriskie Chapel
3606 Seminary Road (one block south)
and join the Family for a reception in the Parish Hall.*

SERVING TODAY:

Officiant:

The Rev. J. Randolph Alexander, Jr.
Rector, Immanuel Church-on-the-Hill

Assisting Clergy:

The Rev. Karen Conner-Wilson, Pastor
St. John’s CME Church, St. Alban’s, NY

The Rev. Susan D. Parsons, Associate Rector
The Rev. Jan A. Maas, Priest Associate
Immanuel Church-on-the-Hill

Crucifer:

Ms. Karen Besser

Readers:

Miss. Isa González Stockton, granddaughter
Mr. Jahi Alonza Stockton, grandson
Ms. Evelyn Slappy

Intercessor:

The Rev. Karen Conner-Wilson, cousin

Tribute from Family:

Mr. Khary Alonza Stockton, son



Musician:

Dr. Jane Tavernier, organ
Director of Music at Immanuel

Ushers:

Mr. Tom Kerns
Mrs. Roz Kerns
Mr. Bryant Mitchell

Flower Arrangements:

Ms. Linda Serabian
Immanuel Flower Guild

AV Technician:

Ms. Tameka Martin
Audio Visual Technician
Immanuel Church-on-the-Hill









SCHEDULE OF SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICES

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite I, Zabriskie Chapel
3606 Seminary Road, Alexandria, VA

10:30 a.m. Godly Play, Side Oratory Chapel
inside of Immanuel Chapel

10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite II, Immanuel Chapel
3737 Seminary Road, Alexandria, VA

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The Rev. Dr. Margaret Ann (Sam) Faeth



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