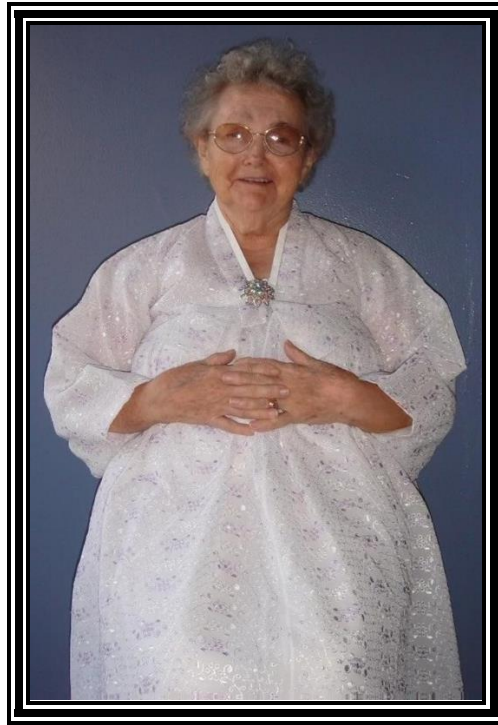


In Celebration and Thanksgiving  
For the Life of  
Mary Louise Hurd  
10/1/1926 – 9/5/2024



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WITH HOLY COMMUNION

SAINT EDWARD'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH  
LAWRENCEVILLE, GEORGIA

SATURDAY, JUNE 7, 2025  
11:00AM

Welcome to St. Edward's Episcopal Church. Come as you are. St. Edward's affirms the dignity of every human being. God's abundant love is here for all.

This leaflet is your guide to the liturgy and is a resource for the material needed for this service. You will find the blue *Hymnal* 1982 in the pew rack in front of you.

It is customary to stand during the singing of hymns and to either stand, sit, or kneel for prayers.  
All items in **bold** are to be read aloud by the people.



## MARY LOUISE HURD

Atlanta, Georgia - Mary Hurd of Atlanta and formally of Lynn, Massachusetts passed away after a brief illness at age 97 on September 5, 2024.

She was born Mary Williams and spent most of her childhood in Bronx, NY. After WWII, she married John Richard Hurd of Lynn, MA. For 30 years, they resided in Lynn where they raised 6 children. Believing in giving back, they spent many years coaching and supporting the Lynn Shore Little League and St. Joseph's basketball team. Mary was an active member of St. Stephen's Church before moving to Atlanta in the 1970's.

Then, Mary continued her community involvement at St Edward's Church in Lawrenceville, GA. In addition to caring for family and serving in the community, she also had a long career in banking from 1948 until retirement in 2000.

Mary lived her life with an open heart and an open mind. There was always an extra seat at the kitchen table for anyone who wanted or needed it.

She loved music and dancing. She was always the first at family gatherings to dance the Lindy with her sisters, but, most of all, she loved to read. The library was her second home, and she always had a book in hand. Mary loved to travel and meet new people. She made multiple trips to Hawaii to visit her children and grandchildren and in retirement took part in an educational tour to China.

She is predeceased by her husband Richard and her son John Jr. She is survived by her five children, Lynne Kelley (Jack) of MA, Paul Hurd of GA, Timothy Hurd (Yoon Kim) of Hawaii, Margaret West (Michael) of GA, Matthew Hurd (Joy) of GA, daughter-in-law, Patricia Murray Hurd, seven grandchildren and two sisters; Jacqueline Lawlor Welch and Joyce Jaeger, both of NY.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made in Mary Hurd's memory to the  
**DeKalb County Library Foundation** at <https://foundation.dekalblibrary.org>

## PRELUDES

### PROCESSIONAL HYMN

*All stand, if able.*

**All creatures of our God and King**

**BLUE HYMNAL 400**

*sts. 1, 5, 6 & 7*

### SALUTATION

*Presider:* The Lord be with you.

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

*Presider:* Let us pray.

### COLLECTS

O God of grace and glory, we remember before you this day our sister Mary. We thank you for giving her to us, her family and friends, to know and to love as a companion on our earthly pilgrimage. In your boundless compassion, console us who mourn. Give us faith to see in death the gate of eternal life, so that in quiet confidence we may continue our course on earth, until, by your call, we are reunited with those who have gone before; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Most merciful God, whose wisdom is beyond our understanding, deal graciously with the Hurd, Jaeger, Kelley Lawlor, and Williams families in their grief. Surround them with your love, that they may not be overwhelmed by their loss, but have confidence in your goodness, and strength to meet the days to come; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

### FIRST READING

*Please be seated.*

**WISDOM 3:1-5,9**

*Read by Paul Hurd (son)*

A Reading from the Book of Wisdom.

But righteous people are protected by God and will never suffer torment. It is a foolish mistake to think that righteous people die and that their death is a terrible evil. They leave us, but it is not a disaster. In fact, the righteous are at peace. It might appear that they have suffered punishment, but they have the confident hope of immortality. Their sufferings were minor compared with the blessings they will receive. God has tested them, like gold in a furnace, and found them worthy to be with him. He has accepted them, just as he accepts the sacrifices which his worshipers burn on the altar. Those who have put their trust in God will come to understand the truth of his ways. Those who have been faithful will live with him in his love, for he is kind and merciful to the ones whom he has chosen.

*Lector:* The Word of the Lord.

*People:* **Thanks be to God.**

### PSALM 139:1-17

*Read by Trenton Hurd & Audrey Hurd (grandchildren)*

- 1 Lord, you have searched me out and known me; \*  
you know my sitting down and my rising up;  
you discern my thoughts from afar.
- 2 You trace my journeys and my resting-places \*  
and are acquainted with all my ways.

- 3 Indeed, there is not a word on my lips, \*  
but you, O Lord, know it altogether.
- 4 You press upon me behind and before \*  
and lay your hand upon me.
- 5 Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; \*  
it is so high that I cannot attain to it.
- 6 Where can I go then from your Spirit? \*  
where can I flee from your presence?
- 7 If I climb up to heaven, you are there; \*  
if I make the grave my bed, you are there also.
- 8 If I take the wings of the morning \*  
and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea,
- 9 Even there your hand will lead me \*  
and your right hand hold me fast.
- 10 If I say, "Surely the darkness will cover me, \*  
and the light around me turn to night,"
- 11 Darkness is not dark to you;  
the night is as bright as the day; \*  
darkness and light to you are both alike.
- 12 For you yourself created my inmost parts; \*  
you knit me together in my mother's womb.
- 13 I will thank you because I am marvelously made; \*  
your works are wonderful, and I know it well.
- 14 My body was not hidden from you, \*  
while I was being made in secret  
and woven in the depths of the earth.
- 15 Your eyes beheld my limbs, yet unfinished in the womb;  
all of them were written in your book; \*  
they were fashioned day by day,  
when as yet there was none of them.
- 16 How deep I find your thoughts, O God! \*  
how great is the sum of them!
- 17 If I were to count them,  
they would be more in number than the sand; \*  
to count them all, my life span would need to be like yours.

## SECOND READING

1 JOHN 3:1-2

A Reading from the First Book of John.

*Read by Sophia Hurd (granddaughter)*

See how much the Father has loved us! His love is so great that we are called God's children—and so, in fact, we are. This is why the world does not know us: it has not known God. My dear friends, we are now God's children, but it is not yet clear what we shall become. But we know that when Christ appears, we shall be like him, because we shall see him as he really is.

*Lector:* The Word of the Lord.

*People:* **Thanks be to God.**

*All stand, if able.*

## THE GOSPEL

JOHN 14:1-6

*Presider:* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

*People:* **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house there are many dwelling places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. And you know the way to the place where I am going." Thomas said to him, "Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?" Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.

*Presider:* The Gospel of the Lord.

*People:* **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

## EULOGIES

Tim Hurd (son) &amp; Lynne Kelley (daughter)

*Please be seated.*

## THE HOMILY

The Rev. Fabio Sotelo

## THE APOSTLE'S CREED

*All stand, if able.*

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

*People:* **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 OF THE PEOPLE

Read by Isabelle Hurd (granddaughter)

*The Litanist will read the petitions and the People will respond as indicated.*

*It is appropriate to stand, sit or kneel for the prayers.*

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

*Litanist:* Lord, you consoled Martha and Mary in their distress;  
draw near to us who mourn for Mary, 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 Mary eternal life.

**Hear us, Lord.**

Our sister Mary 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.

**Hear us, Lord.**

*Silence may be kept.*

*Presider:* Lord Jesus Christ, we commend to you our sister Mary, 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**

*Presider:* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

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



## **THE HOLY COMMUNION**

#### **OFFERTORY SENTENCE**

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God. Eph 5:2

#### **THE OFFERTORY**

**Come, my Way, my Truth, my Life**

*Parish Choir*

#### **THE GREAT THANKSGIVING: EUCHARISTIC PRAYER B**

*All stand, if able.*

*Presider:* The Lord be with you.

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

*Presider:* Lift up your hearts.

*People:* **We lift them to the Lord.**

*Presider:* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People:* **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

*Presider:* 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:

#### THE SANCTUS

#### Holy, Holy, Holy Lord

#### BLUE HYMNAL S-130

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,

**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, St. Edward, 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,

**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

*Presider:* Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

*People:* **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

#### THE INVITATION

*The Presider:* The Gifts of God for the People of God.

## HOLY COMMUNION

*You may be seated. The ushers will guide the congregation to the altar rail for communion.*

*The Episcopal Church invites all baptized Christians of any age to the Lord's Table.  
Please come forward to receive communion. If you do not wish to receive communion,  
we welcome you to come forward and cross your arms over your heart to receive a blessing.  
Gluten-free wafers are available.*

COMMUNION MUSIC *From the following as time permits:*

### **We are one in the Spirit**

1. We are one in the spirit; we are one in the Lord, we are one in the spirit;  
we are one in the Lord, and we pray that all unity may one day be restored.  
And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love,  
yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.
2. We will walk with each other, we will walk hand in hand,  
we will walk with each other, we will walk hand in hand,  
and together we'll spread the news that God is in our land:  
And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love,  
yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.
3. All praise to the Father, from Whom all things come,  
And all praise to Christ Jesus, his only Son,  
And all praise to the Spirit who makes us one:  
And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love,  
yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.

### **It is well with my soul**

1. When peace, like a river, attendeth my way, when sorrows like seabillows roll;  
Whatever my lot, thou hast taught me to say, it is well, it is well with my soul.  
It is well with my soul, it is well, it is well with my soul.
2. Though satan should buffet, though trials should come, let this blest assurance control,  
That Christ has regarded my helpless estate, and has shed His own blood for my soul.  
It is well with my soul, it is well, it is well with my soul.
3. And, Lord, hast the day when the faith shall be sight, the clouds be rolled back as a scroll,  
The trump shall resound and the Lord shall descend, 'even so' it is well with my soul.  
It is well with my soul, it is well, it is well with my soul.

### **I am the bread of life**

BLUE HYMNAL 335



## THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

*All stand or kneel, if able.*

*Presider:* Let us pray.

*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 COMMENDATION

*Incense may be used at this time.*

Give rest, O Christ, to your servant with your saints,  
**where sorrow and pain are no more, neither sighing, but life everlasting.**

You only are immortal, the creator and maker of mankind; and we are mortal, formed of the earth, and to earth shall we return. For so did you ordain when you created me, saying, "You are dust, and to dust you shall return." All of us go down to the dust; yet even at the grave we make our song: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

**Give rest, O Christ, to your servant with your saints,  
where sorrow and pain are no more, neither sighing, but life everlasting.**

Into your hands, O merciful Savior, we commend your servant, Mary. Acknowledge, we humbly beseech you, a sheep of your own fold, a lamb of your own flock, a sinner of your own redeeming. Receive her into the arms of your mercy, into the blessed rest of everlasting peace, and into the glorious company of the saints in light. **Amen.**

## CLOSING HYMN

**Amazing grace, how sweet the sound**

**BLUE HYMNAL 671**

## PROCESSION TO THE MEMORIAL GARDEN

*If able, join us in the procession to the memorial garden.*

*Presider:* Christ is risen from the dead, trampling down death by death,  
and giving life to those in the tomb.

The Sun of Righteousness is gloriously risen, giving light to  
those who sat in darkness and in the shadow of death.

The Lord will guide our feet into the way of peace,  
Having taken away the sin of the world.

## BLESSING OF THE PLAQUE

O God, whose blessed Son was laid in a sepulcher in the garden: Bless, we pray, this grave, and grant that Mary, whose body is buried here, may dwell with Christ in paradise and may come to your heavenly kingdom; through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

# HYMN

## Jesus, remember me

Je - sus, re - member me when you come in - to your king - dom,

Je - sus, re - mem - ber me when you come in - to your king - dom.

## THE COMMITTAL

Everyone the Father gives to me will come to me; I will never turn away anyone who believes in me. He who raised Jesus Christ from the dead will also give new life to our mortal bodies through his indwelling Spirit. My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spirit rejoices; my body also shall rest in hope. You will show me the path of life; in your presence there is fullness of joy, and in your right hand are pleasures for evermore. In sure and certain hope of the resurrection to eternal life through our Lord Jesus Christ, we commend to Almighty God our sister Mary and we commit her body to the ground; earth to earth, ashes to ashes, dust to dust. The Lord bless her and keep her, the Lord make his face to shine upon her and be gracious to her, the Lord lift up his countenance upon her and give her peace. **Amen.**

*Ashes are scattered.*

*Presider:* The Lord be with you.

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

*Presider:* Let us pray.

**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.**

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

## THE DISMISSAL

*Presider:* Alleluia. Christ is risen.

*People:* **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

*Presider:* Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

*People:* **Thanks be to God.**



*Please join us for a reception in Nickelson Hall following the Committal*

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made in Mary Hurd's memory to the DeKalb County Library Foundation at <https://foundation.dekalblibrary.org>

*We pray God's blessings upon you as you return to your homes.  
Thank you for being present with us today in this celebration of Mary's life.*

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## Those Serving Today

Presider & Preacher- The Rev. Fabio Sotelo  
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Crucifer - Hillary Toomey  
Gospel Bearer - Lawrence Toomey  
Torches - Pat Bush & Valerie Curry  
Thurifer - Bernadette Matthews  
Lay Eucharistic Ministers - John Nystrom & Marilynn Emmons  
1<sup>st</sup> Lesson - Paul Hurd  
Psalm - Trenton Hurd & Audrey Hurd  
2<sup>nd</sup> Lesson - Sophia Hurd  
Intercessor - Isabelle Hurd  
Sound & Video - Ted Ruchalski  
Ushers - Kevin Lee, Choco Harmon, Teresa Guzman, Cecilia Midzi, Bob Wahl  
Flute - Lee Ann Sipe  
Piano and Organ - Carla Strott  
St. Edward's Parish Choir

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The Rev. Fabio Sotelo, *Priest-in-Charge*  
Leslie Nystrom, *Verger*  
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