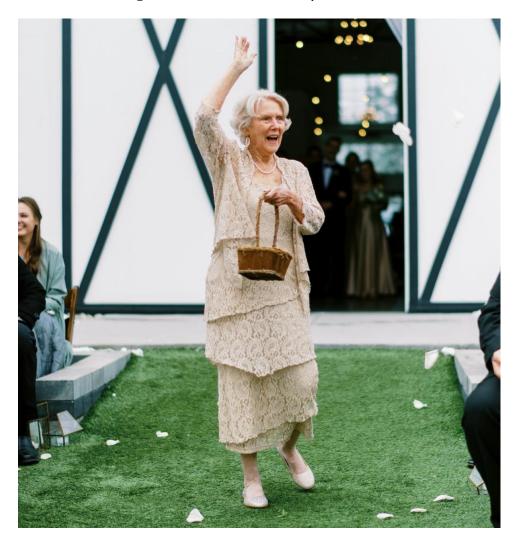
# In Joy and Celebration of the Life of

## Linda Larkin

April 4, 1937 – January 10, 2025



PRELUDE Bransle de la Torche
Courante CLXXXIII
La Rosa Enflorece
Butterfly Jig
Banish Misfortune
Jesus, Joy of Man's Desiring

Michael Praetorius (1612), arr. Deborah Friou Michael Praetorious (1612), arr. Deborah Friou trad. Sephardic, arr. Nancy Hurrell trad. Irish, arr. Kim Robertson trad. Irish, arr. Mary Radspinner J.S. Bach, arr. Kim Robertson

members of the High Desert Harp Ensemble Julie Norem-Hawley ~ Chita Gillas ~ Dian El Aine

Linda Larkin founded the High Desert Harp Ensemble in 2001 and served as its director until 2015. The Harp Ensemble has performed programs for formal galas, festivals, gallery openings, church events, and Renaissance fairs. Their repertoire ranges from medieval chants to Irish folk songs to Latin dances to popular tunes.

‡ Please stand as you are able.

#### WELCOME from the FAMILY

David Morrison

GREETING

Rev. Dr. Harry W. Eberts III

‡ WE GATHER to HONOR and CELEBRATE LINDA LARKIN (bold in unison)

This is the day the Lord has made;

let us rejoice and be glad in it.

We have come to worship God

and to celebrate the life of Linda Larkin.

Our help is in the name of the Lord,

who made heaven and earth.

God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble;

therefore, we will not fear.

The eternal God is our dwelling place,

and underneath us are the everlasting arms.

Softly and Tenderly

Will L. Thompson (1880) text: Will L. Thompson

#### WE ASK for GOD'S BLESSING

(bold in unison)

Eternal God, who loves us with an everlasting love, who can turn the shadow of death into the morning:

Help us now to wait upon you with reverent and believing hearts.

In the silence of this hour speak to us of eternal things,
that through patience and comfort of the Scriptures we may have hope
and be lifted above our darkness and distress
into the light and peace of your presence,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

MUSIC The Lord's Prayer

Albert Hay Malotte (1935)

text: Matthew 6:9-13

Deborah Domanski, soloist

Our Father, which art in heaven,

hallowed be Thy name.

Thy kingdom come.

Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our debts,

as we forgive our debtors.

And lead us not into temptation;

but deliver us from evil.

For Thine is the kingdom,

and the power, and the glory,

forever.

Amen.

#### WE REMEMBER LINDA and GIVE THANKS

**READING** "On the Death of the Beloved" John O'Donohue

from To Bless the Space Between Us: A Book of Blessings

read by Annie Lawson

MUSIC To a Wild Rose Edward MacDowell

Linda McDill, piano

MUSIC Lean on Me text and music by Bill Withers

Max Morrison, soloist

Linda McDill, piano

MUSIC

Come to Me from "Chanting for Peace"

Linda Larkin (2010) text: Matthew 11:28 setting by John Philip Newell

Julie Norem-Hawley, harp and soloist

Come to me, you who are weary, carrying heavy burdens. Come to Me. I will give you rest. Come to Me.

Linda and John Philip, a Church of Scotland minister, began collaborating in writing chants at a Ghost Ranch retreat in 1998. John Philip selected texts, and Linda composed the music.

SCRIPTURE READING

The 23rd Psalm

read by Michael Morrison

SCRIPTURE RESPONSE

As a Deer Longs

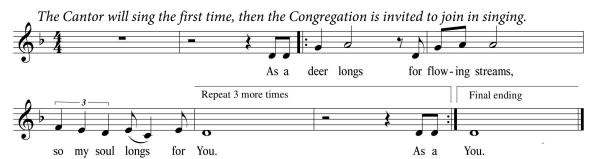
Linda Larkin (2014)

from "Chants in the Celtic Tradition"

text: Psalm 42:1

setting by John Philip Newell

Julie Norem-Hawley, harp



READING

"The Box Under My Bed" read by Liza Morrison

by Liza Morrison

MUSIC

Loving J S

Linda Larkin (July 2024)

David Beatty, piano

Linda improvised and recorded this music in July 2024, writing: I think that I was inspired by a memory of some Bach or other. Anyway, I was thinking of Bach and I had just gotten the news that my bad guys were back for the third time.

**MEDITATION** 

Rev. Harry Eberts



Linda Larkin (2011)

text attr. St. Francis of Assisi

#### Deborah Domanski, soloist ~ Julie Norem-Hawley, harp

Lord, may I be an instrument of peace.

Where there is hatred,
may I sow love.

Where there is injury,
pardon.

Where there is doubt,
faith.

Where there's despair,
hope.

Where there is darkness,
light.

Where there is sadness,

Grant I may not so much seek
to be consoled
as to console,
to be understood
as to understand,
to be loved
as to love.
For it is in giving
that we receive,
and it is in pardoning
that we are pardoned,
and it is in dying
that we are born to life eternal.

#### **‡ WE COMMEND LINDA to GOD'S CARE**

joy.

Rev. Harry Eberts

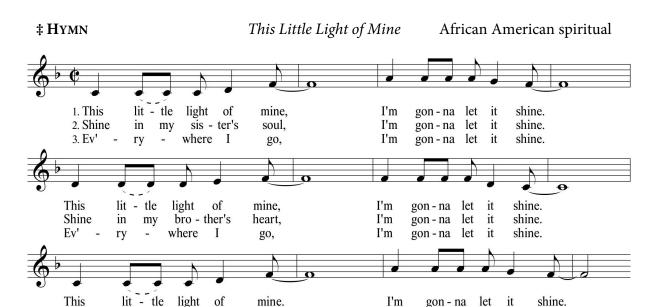
When John Philip Newell received news that Linda was in the last days of her illness, he said he would love for Linda to hear these words – the "Deep Peace" blessing.

Please join together as we speak these words: for Linda, for ourselves, and for each other.

Deep peace of the running wave to you. Deep peace of the flowing air to you.

Deep peace of the quiet earth to you. Deep peace of the shining stars to you.

Deep peace of the Son of Peace to you.



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**‡ BLESSING** Rev. Harry Eberts

POSTLUDE Joyful, Joyful Ludwig van Beethoven Linda Raney, organ

You are invited to a reception in Pope Hall immediately following the service.

#### Participating in this Service

Rev. Dr. Harry W. Eberts III, Pastor Dr. Linda Raney, Music Director, Organist High Desert Harp Ensemble:

Julie Norem-Hawley

Chita Gillas

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Dian El Aine

Deborah Domanski, soloist and Cantor

Annie Lawson, Linda's granddaughter Michael Morrison, Linda's grandson Max Morrison, Linda's grandson Liza Morrison, Linda's granddaughter Linda McDill, piano David Beatty, piano

### Obituary

Linda Larkin passed away peacefully at home in Santa Fe, NM, on January 10, 2025, after a courageous cancer battle. She was born in Houston, TX, on April 4, 1937, to Mickie and J.D. Larkin.

Beginning with piano at age 4, Linda was a lifelong musician – performing, composing, and teaching piano and folk harp. She held Masters Degrees from the University of Texas at Austin in Music and from the University of Houston in Social Work. Linda founded the High Desert Harp Ensemble (Santa Fe) and was a member of First Presbyterian Church of Santa Fe.

Linda believed in the intrinsic power of music to return us to our Creator. She saw the innate musicality in everyone and delighted in sharing the wonders of music.

Linda is survived by her husband Harold Bolton, sons John Morrison, David Morrison and his wife Kay, stepdaughter Jennifer Bolton, grandchildren Michael Morrison and his wife Amanda, Annie Lawson and her husband Bryan, Liza Morrison, Max Morrison and his fiancée Robyn Chaffee, and great-grandchildren Peter, Lily, and Olivia Morrison. Her life was blessed by her nieces Adrienne Rivers Pappas and Lucy Rivers Patier and their children. Linda's many dear cousins and close friends brought joy to her life.

Memorial contributions may be made in honor of Linda to First Presbyterian Church of Santa Fe, PBS, or a charity of your choice.