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Carol Singleton
October 15, 2025

December 6, 1946 December 29, 1946 October 6, 2025
birth baptism death

GATHERING

PRELUDE

"God Is My Shepherd" *Antonín Dvořák*
"At the Ballet" *Calvin Hampton*

GREETING AND WELCOME

- P** The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- A** **And also with you.**
- P** When we were baptized in Christ Jesus,
we were baptized into his death.
We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death,
so that as Christ was raised from the dead
by the glory of the Father, we too might live a new life.
- A** **For if we have been united with him in a death like his,
we shall certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his.**

PROCESSIONAL HYMN *(hymn) 779*
"Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound"

PRAYER OF THE DAY

- P** Let us pray.
O God of grace and glory,
we remember before you today our sister, Carol.
We thank you for giving her to us to know and to love
as a companion in our pilgrimage on earth.
In your boundless compassion, console us who mourn.
Give us your aid, so we may see in death the gate to eternal life,
that we may continue our course on earth in confidence

until, by your call, we are reunited
with those who have gone before us;
through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

A **Amen.**

WORD

READINGS

*Each reading will end, "Word of God. Word of life."
Please respond "Thanks be to God."*

First Reading Psalm 30:1a, 11-12
Second Reading Ecclesiastes 3:1-4

SERMON

MUSICAL REFLECTION *19th century Shaker tune,
arr. Don Hart*
"Lord of the Dance"

CREED

- P** We have been made God's people through our Baptism into Christ.
Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith.
- A** **I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**
- I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary, 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,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come 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

*Each petition will end "God of mercy,"
Please respond "hear our prayer."*

LORD'S PRAYER (1975)

All Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name, your kingdom come,
your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.

REMEMBRANCES

SENDING

HYMN

(hymn) 836

"Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee"

FAREWELL AND COMMENDATION

P Carol, our companion in faith,
we entrust you to God.
Go forth from this world in the love of God who created you,
in the mercy of Jesus who died for you,
in the power of the Holy Spirit who receives and protects you.

All May you rest in peace and rise in glory,
where pain and grief are banished,
and life and joy are yours forever.

P Into your hands, O merciful Savior,
we commend your servant, Carol.
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.

P Rest eternal grant her, O Lord;
All and let light perpetual shine upon her.

BLESSING

P The risen Christ give you all joy and peace in believing
that you may abound in hope.
Almighty God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit
bless you now and forever.

All Amen.

Let us go forth in peace.

All In the name of Christ. Amen.

POSTLUDE

"Allegro maestoso e vivace" from Sonata No. 2 Felix Mendelssohn

*The congregation is invited to gather for a reception and mutual conversation and
consolation.*

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"Gone Fishing"

*I've finished life's chores assigned to me.
So put me on a boat headed out to sea.
Please send along my fishing pole.
For I've been invited to the fishn' hole.
Where everyday is a day to fish,
To fill your heart with every wish.
Don't worry, or feel sad for me,
I'm fishin' with the Master of the sea.
We will miss each other for a while,
But you will come and bring your smile.
That won't be long you will see,
Till we're together you and me.
To all of those that think of me,
Be happy as I go out to sea.
If others wonder why I'm missin'
Just tell'em I've gone fishin'*

Written by Delmar Pepper



SERVING TODAY

Pastor Melissa Pohlman	<i>presiding</i>
Pastor Peter Nycklemoe	<i>preaching</i>
Ian Girod,	
Grant Girod, <i>grandsons</i>	<i>readers</i>
Jeff Girod, <i>son</i>	
Ahna Girod, <i>granddaughter</i>	<i>remembrances</i>
Robin Helgen	<i>soloist</i>
Isaac Drewes	<i>organist</i>
Sara Masters	<i>sound operator</i>

PALLBEARERS

Grant Girod	Maria Girod
Ian Girod	Julia Girod
Ahna Girod	Claudia Girod

HONORARY PALLBEARERS

Emily Stueness (Orstad)	Grace Orstad
Paul Orstad	Blake Hemenway

MEMORIALS may be directed to:

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THANK YOU

Carol's family would like to thank you for your thoughts and prayers. The memories that you have shared with us, along with your presence here today, have been greatly appreciated.

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Carol (Girod) Singleton, of Crystal, Minnesota, died peacefully at her home surrounded by her family at the age of 78.

Carol and her sister began teaching neighborhood children dance in their parents Robbinsdale basement, turning it into a business that has lasted more than 67 years. They were pioneers for women in business and in the dance community. In 1968, they founded the Minnesota Dance Contest, which drew studios from across the Midwest. Through countless performances at hospitals, nursing homes, and community events, dancers from Kay Marie and Carol's studio brought joy to others while learning the importance of giving back – especially to the elderly and those in need. Carol taught dance to generations of children, which she cherished and considered a privilege. She taught with grace and kindness, and it was her life's work to ensure every dancer felt special, loved, and more confident than when they began. She never worked a day in her life; the dance studio and teaching ballet was her happy place. Her legacy continues with the next generation of teachers and students.

As a friend she was loyal, generous and loving. She felt blessed to meet many amazing people during her life and was extraordinarily grateful for her friends. Carol loved spending time camping (Tuttle's), fishing, traveling and spending time with her friends. She loved going on cruises, and she and Tom had many amazing adventures together.

Carol deeply cherished her family and was a devoted, loving mother and grandmother. She found joy in every moment spent with her children, whether exploring new places or setting off on adventures. In later years, she continued those traditions with her grandchildren – sharing laughter and love on trips to dance camp, Jellystone, birthday cruises, and simple backyard campouts.

The family would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to Mary Broughten, PA-C for her compassionate care and support.

She is survived by her loving partner, Tom Slattery, children Jeff (Kathleen) and Joe (Sandy) Girod, grandchildren Grant (Claudia), Ian, Ahna, Maria and Julia Girod, sister Kay Marie (Bob), brother Lloyd Kreatz (Bonnie), sister-friend Linda Fleury, cousin-friend Patty Cooley, Erica Slattery, Tom Slattery Jr. and many beloved relatives and friends.

Carol was preceded in death by her parents, Ron and Irene Kreatz, and her angel, Mildred Yentsch. Rest eternal grant her, O Lord; and let light perpetual shine upon them all.

*"Don't weep at my grave, for I'm not there.
I've got a date with an angel to dance in the air.
I'll be singing in the sunshine, wild and free,
playing tag with the wind while I'm waiting for thee."*



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