



A Celebration of Life for

# Vanessa Ketchum

Saturday October 29, 2022

Visitation 10-11 Service at 11:00

Hope Lutheran Church

Moose Lake, Minnesota



in the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, and the resurrection to life everlasting. Grant us grace to entrust Vanessa Ketchum to your never failing love which sustained her in this life. Receive her into the arms of your mercy, and remember her according to the favor you bear for your people. God of all grace, you sent your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, to bring life and immortality to light. We give you thanks because by his death Jesus has destroyed the power of death and by his resurrection has opened the kingdom of heaven to all believers. Make us certain that because he lives we shall live also, and that neither death nor life, nor things present nor things to come shall be able to separate us from your love which is in Christ Jesus our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

**SONG:** "My Girl"

### **COMMUNION**

#### **LORD'S PRAYER**

Pastor: Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to 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, forever and ever. Amen.

### **THE COMMENDATION**

Into your hands, O merciful Savior, we commend your servant, Vanessa. 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.

#### **SENDING**

Let us go forth in peace. In the name of Christ. Amen.

**RECESSIONAL SONG** "We May Never Pass this Way Again"

Soloist  
Officiants

Grady Kruse  
Pr. Matt Cordes  
Deacon Wendy Hjelmberg



### **Clothed in Christ**

The large white fabric that covers the closed coffin or urn during the funeral liturgy is a funeral pall, a symbol of Holy Baptism, reminiscent of the white garment worn by or presented to the deceased at their Baptism and the robe of righteousness that covers the redeemed who stand before God (Revelation 7:9). This white covering asserts the equality of all believers in the sight of God regardless of status in the eyes of the world. We are all welcomed in, adopted, and clothed in the robe of Christ.

**Vanessa Lynn Ketchum**, 41, of Sturgeon Lake, died peacefully with her Mom by her side on Tuesday, October 25, 2022. She was born February 10, 1981 in Moose Lake to David and Sylvia Ketchum.

She grew up in Sturgeon Lake and attended school at Moose Lake and later at Cloquet where she graduated. Vanessa attended Pinewood Learning Center in Cloquet, Moose Tracks in Moose Lake, and Phase in Sandstone. She enjoyed **music especially from 60's and 70's which really got her going and made her feel free!** Vanessa was brutally honest and you always knew how she felt. She **loved water and bath time, animals, her cats, MacDonald's, trains, library books, and the sound of opening pop cans.** She had an amazing connection with her Grandma D!

It takes a village to raise a child and for Vanessa she had an amazing village of caretakers that helped her through life.

She was preceded in death by her paternal grandparents: Chuck and Gloria Ketchum; maternal grandpa: Archie Johnson; and an uncle: Bob Schmidt.

Vanessa will be lovingly remembered by her parents: David and Sylvia Ketchum; two sisters: Erica Sandberg and Lynn (Jeremy) Rusic; niece and nephews: Miah, Ayden, and Ryker; maternal grandma: Delores Johnson

Wonderful caretakers and our Honorary Pall Bearers: Kevin and Wendy Schmidt, Tracey Williams, Annie Liedka, Brenday Leno, Kar-men Mundell, Katrina Workman, Samantha Hakkala, Amy Speetzen, Rhonda Peters, Emily Ward, Barb Hyland, Carlos Ziells, Jennifer Collins, Dani Lane, Ross Milberger, and Misty Peterson and all the others that interacted with Vanessa through the years.

