

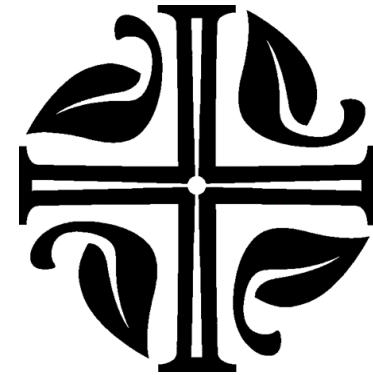
In the Service:

Presiding Minister: Pastor Jill Rode

Preaching Minister: Pastor Daniel Tallon Ruen

Organist: Joshua Lindgren

***Celebration of
the Life of***



Lila Storaasli
September 14th, 1919
August 19, 2023

St. Anthony Park Lutheran Church
2323 Como Avenue W., St. Paul, MN 55108
church office: 651-645-0371

A Celebration of the Life of Lila Storaasli

September 23rd, 2023 • 3pm

Prelude

Welcome & Invocation

Hymn *For All the Saints*

ELW # 422

Prayer of the Day

Psalm 46

(Read responsively)

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

Therefore we will not fear, though the earth be moved,
and though the mountains shake in the depths of the sea;
**though its waters rage and foam,
and though the mountains tremble with its tumult.**

There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God,
the holy habitation of the Most High.

**God is in the midst of the city; it shall not be shaken;
God shall help it at the break of day.**

The nations rage, and the kingdoms shake;
God speaks, and the earth melts away.

**The Lord of hosts is with us;
the God of Jacob is our stronghold.**

Come now, regard the works of the Lord,
what desolations God has brought up-on the earth;
**behold the one who makes war to cease in all the world;
who breaks the bow, and shatters the spear,
and burns the shields with fire.**

“Be still, then, and know that I am God;
I will be exalted among the nations; I will be exalted in the
earth.”

**The Lord of hosts is with us;
the God of Jacob is our stronghold.**

Hymn *If You But Trust in God to Guide You* *ELW # 769*

Selected Readings from Lila, read by her grandchildren
Including Romans 8:31-39

Bedtime Song *“Jesus, Tender Shepherd, Hear Me”*

Gospel

John 14:1-6

Sermon

Hymn *Jesus, Priceless Treasure* *ELW # 775*

Apostles’ Creed *ELW, pp. 105*

Prayers

The Lord’s Prayer *ELW p. 112*

Commendation

Benediction

Hymn *Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee* *ELW # 836*

Postlude

All are invited to a light reception in the Narthex

*Memorials are suggested to:
St. Anthony Park Lutheran Church, Lutheran World Relief,
and The Osteogenesis Imperfecta Foundation*

Lila Theresa Lee Storaasli, age 103 and 11 months, died peacefully on August 19, 2023 after a short stay in Duluth. She was born September 14, 1919 and raised on a dairy farm on a bluff above Ferryville, WI prior to electricity and plumbing. She graduated from Viroqua High School and studied a year at Gale College before attending Fairview Nursing School, from which she received her RN.

Lila married Olaf Storaasli in 1942 and they spent their lives devoted to each other, their faith, service to others, and their family. They lived in Saskatoon, Canada for fifteen years before settling in St. Paul, where Olaf was a professor at Luther Seminary, a community to which Lila contributed much: she participated in a Faculty Wives Book Group for almost 50 years, until she was over 100, and often opened their home to seminary faculty and students. Lila resumed her nursing career at Fairview and Lyngblomsten. She provided a home for international students from Holland, Turkey and India.

Lila and Olaf spent sabbatical leaves in Edinburgh, Claremont, CA, Rome, Papua New Guinea and Richmond, VA. They also enjoyed many world travels together, including a 3-month marathon tent camping trip with all four kids visiting 13 European countries.

A 63 year member of St. Anthony Park Lutheran Church, Lila sang in choir, tied perfect knots in quilting, knit prayer shawls, prayed for and got acquainted with several prayer partner children, nourished relationships with shut-ins through Care Team Ministry, attended Bible Study and WELCA and encouraged support for World Missions and anything focused on sharing God's love.

Lila loved and attended symphony and opera concerts over many years, well into her 90s. She always set a beautiful table, loved her grandchildren and their kids, she was known by some as a baby whisperer. She was an intrepid cribbage player and usually had enough Special K Bars to share and send home. She learned

to pump gas at age 86, flew in her grandson's experimental aircraft at age 92 and drove until she was 100. She loved spending summers at Ottertail Lake and swam in the lake 'til age 102.

Lila is survived by sister Edith Sandwick, children Olaf (Barbara) Storaasli, Carolyn Nestingen, Faith Hutin (Arnie Rydman), Elizabeth Storaasli (Mark Knutson); 11 grandchildren: Ole Storaasli (Andi Balloun), Paul Storaasli (Sabrina Almeida), Andrew Nestingen (Karen Baker), Peder Nestingen (Sarah Horstmann), Jacob Ole (Sonja) Nestingen, Erica Ullsvik (Matt Jahnke), Stephanie Hutin (Florencio Zavala), Claire Hutin (Tamer Harpke), Marit Knutson (Haakon Nelson), Anna Knutson, Karin Britta Knutson (Patrick Hughes); and 19 great grandchildren

Lila was preceded in death by her loving husband, Olaf K. Storaasli, sons-in-law Francois Hutin and James Nestingen, 2 brothers and 3 sisters.

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