

### FIRST READING. Ecclesiastes 3:1-8

'For everything there is a season, and a time for every matter under heaven:  
a time to be born, and a time to die;  
a time to plant, and a time to pluck up what is planted;  
a time to kill, and a time to heal;  
a time to break down, and a time to build up;  
a time to weep, and a time to laugh;  
a time to mourn, and a time to dance;  
a time to throw away stones, and a time to gather stones together;  
a time to embrace, and a time to refrain from embracing;  
a time to seek, and a time to lose;  
a time to keep, and a time to throw away;  
a time to tear, and a time to sew;  
a time to keep silence, and a time to speak;  
a time to love, and a time to hate;  
a time for war, and a time for peace.

### GOSPEL. John 14:1-6

'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.

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**CARPENTER, Leona** – Passed away peacefully on Wednesday, July 6<sup>th</sup> 2022, at 86 years of age, at Royal Rose Place. Loving mother of Calvin (Sheryl Dawn), Darlene (Arnold) Mackler and Rodney (Leane). Cherished grandmother of Candace Adams (Heather), Tanya Adams (Fadi), Tessa Taylor (Ryan) and Matthew (Julie). Step grandmother of Tom Mackler (Sarah), Amy Ucheddu (Dani), Chris Mackler and great grandmother of Mattia, Cole, Willow, Elliott, Jayden and River. Dear sister of Irva Stevens and Elizabeth Eliason (Ron). Predeceased by her beloved first husband Floyd, her loving companion Vince Huntingdon and her brother Reuben Selin (Sharon). Leona was employed at the Welland Hospital as a Registered nurse's assistant for over 25 years, retiring in 1993. She was a long-time member of St. Matthew's Lutheran Church, where she was a member of the choir and altar guild, and active member of the Royal Canadian Legion Branch #4, and the Atlas retirees Club. She enjoyed bowling, camping, the Toronto Maple Leafs and going to the casino.





# Funeral Service to celebrate the life of **Leona Carpenter**

**August 22, 1935 – July 6, 2022**

**St. Matthew's Evangelical Lutheran Church**  
**Wednesday, July 20, 2022, 11:00 a.m.**

Presiding Minister – The Reverend Bart Coleman  
Organist – Lily Jasinskas

## ORDER OF SERVICE

Organ Prelude

## GATHERING

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Candace Adams

## WORD

Reading ..... Ecclesiastes 3:1-8  
Psalm 23 .....Read in unison  
The Lord is my shepherd;  
I shall not be in want.  
The Lord makes me lie down  
in green pastures  
and leads me beside still waters.  
You restore my soul, O Lord,  
and guide me along right pathways  
for your name's sake.  
Though I walk through the valley  
of the shadow of death,  
I shall fear no evil;

for you are with me;  
your rod and your staff,  
they comfort me.

You prepare a table before me  
in the presence of my enemies;  
you anoint my head with oil,  
and my cup is running over.

Surely goodness and mercy  
shall follow me  
all the days of my life,  
and I will dwell  
in the house of the Lord forever.

Gospel .....John 14:1-6  
Sermon  
**Hymn of the Day ..... 773 Precious Lord, Take My Hand**  
Prayers of Intercession  
Exchanging of the Peace

## MEAL

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**Everyone is welcome to receive Holy Communion**

## SENDING

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Table Grace  
Blessing  
Leader: Let us go forth in peace,  
**Response: in the name of Christ. Amen.**

**Sending Song ..... 779 Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound**

*A reception will follow the service. Everyone is welcome to join the family for a time of sharing memories and refreshments in the Fellowship Hall.*