

Prayer Service



Sister Carol Geels

October 2, 1928—June 19, 2024

Nazareth Center Chapel

July 16, 2024

11:00 a.m.

*I grew up in a loving, farm family
where love of creation, music, and dancing
were part of everyday, happy living.*

Welcome

Opening Song: *Sing, O Sing* BB #563, vs. 1 & 2

Leader: Most loving and compassionate God, Sister Carol is gone now from this earthly dwelling. We give You thanks as we celebrate her life, hold her memory with gratitude, and live in the hope of the eternal kingdom where you will bring us together again.

All: Amen.

Psalm: *Psalm 149 (Psalms for Praying by Nan Merrill)*

All: R./ Praise the Beloved!
Sing a joy-filled song.

Psalm: *Psalm 42*

- 1 Praise the Beloved! Sing a joy-filled song
praising the Blessed One among the people!
Be glad in the Creator, rejoice in Love Divine! **R/.**
- 2 Praise the Divine Lover with dancing, with melodies
and voice!
For the Beloved dwells within,
journeying with us through all our lives,
leading us in truth and love. **R/.**
- 1 The humble are adorned with honor;
the faithful exult in glory, singing for You
with thankful hearts! **R/.**
- 2 With truth on our tongues, with gratitude as our friend,
we are in harmony with the universe,
as we hold hands with all the people. **R/.**

- 1 The chains of oppression are broken,
the fetters of injustice unbound.
The realm of Peace and Love shall reign!
Glory abides with those who are faith-filled. **R/.**
- 2 Praise the Beloved!
All people on earth,
Welcome Love's Companionship Presence
who abides in your hearts! **R/.**

All: R/ Praise the Beloved!
Sing a joy-filled song.

Song: *Joy to the World* BB# 86

Reading: *The Musician's Prayer* by B.J. Hoff

Prayer to St. Agnes:

Sr. Mary Frances Schug, CSA

Soprano

Be - hold - what I long cov - et - ed I al - read - y see. What I

4 to God

hoped for - I now hold safe. To God a - lone - I am as -

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so - ci - a - ted in hea - ven Whom on earth I loved with all de - vot - ed ness.

Leader: Pray for us, St. Agnes.

All: That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Let us pray: Almighty and eternal God, who choose the weak of the world to confound the strong, mercifully grant that we, who are placed under the patronage of your virgin and martyr, Agnes, may feel the benefit of her intercession with you. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Closing Song: *Sing, O Sing* BB #563 vs: 4 & 5

