

*A Service to Celebrate the Life of
Judith Prescott Swett Palmer Moreau*

August 16, 1941 - September 21, 2025



*Thursday, October 9, 2025
First Congregational Church of Essex Junction*

I am the resurrection and the life.

*Everyone who lives and believes in me, even though they die, will live
and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die.*

John 11:25-26

Prelude

Opening Words of Promise and Welcome

Call to Worship..... Psalm 139

Leader: Where can we go to get away from God's spirit?
Where can we flee from the divine presence?

People: If I ascend to heaven, you are there.

If I make my life hell, you are there.

Leader: If I take the wings of the morning
and settle in the farthest limits of the sea,
even there your hand shall lead and hold me fast.

People: If I allow darkness to cover me

**and the light around me becomes as night,
even then your light transforms the darkness to light
and the night is as bright as day.**

Leader: For you know me and love me,
and when I come to the end, I am still with you.

***Opening Hymn**

Amazing Grace

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Pastoral Greeting

A Time of Prayer and **Unison Lord's Prayer ("trespasses")**

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, amen.

A Eulogy by Judy's Daughter Debbie Crone

Scripture Readings

Old Testament

The 23rd Psalm [KJV]

New Testament

Epistle Acts 9:36-42 [page 98]

Gospel Luke 24:1-12 [page 68]

- ❖ A Reading by Judy's Son Dwight Palmer: "*Death is Nothing at All*"
- ❖ A Reading by Judy's Daughter Susan Faryniarz: "*The Eagle*"
- ❖ Memorial Song by Josh Groban: "*You Raise Me Up*"
- ❖ Sentiments & Memories from the Congregation

Affirmation of Faith [Romans 8]

We believe there is no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus, and we know that in everything God works for good with those who love God, who are called according to God's purpose. We are sure that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor things present, nor things to come, nor heights, nor depths, nor anything else in all creation will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus. Amen.

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Intercession

A Memorial Solo

- ❖ Performed by Grandson Kyle Palmer: "*Halleluia*"
Accompanied by FCCPJ's Musical Director Bethany Blake

Commendation

Benediction

Pastoral Benediction

***Sung Community Benediction**

Go Now In Peace

**Go now in peace. Never be afraid.
God will go with you each hour of every day.
Go now in faith, steadfast, strong and true.
Know God will guide you in all you do.
Go now in love, and show you believe.
Reach out to others so all the world can see.
God will be there, holding you in love.
Go now in peace, in faith and in love.**

Funeral Recession

❖ *After the service, everyone is invited downstairs for a time of food and fellowship. You are encouraged to share your stories of Judy and support her family. A private family burial will take place at a later time.*

❖ *Pallbearers:*

Justin Cole, grandson

Kyle Palmer, grandson

Olivia Palmer, granddaughter

Julia Palmer, granddaughter

Rebecca Palmer, granddaughter

Brandon Clark, grandson



Acts 9:36-42

In Joppa there was a disciple named Tabitha (in Greek her name is Dorcas); she was always doing good and helping the poor. About that time she became sick and died, and her body was washed and placed in an upstairs room.

Lydda was near Joppa; so when the disciples heard that Peter was in Lydda, they sent two men to him and urged him, "Please come at once!"

Peter went with them, and when he arrived he was taken upstairs to the room. All the widows stood around him, crying and showing him the robes and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was still with them.

Peter sent them all out of the room; then he got down on his knees and prayed. Turning toward the dead woman, he said, "Tabitha, get up." She opened her eyes, and seeing Peter she sat up. He took her by the hand and helped her to her feet. Then he called for the believers, especially the widows, and presented her to them alive. This became known all over Joppa, and many people believed in the Lord.