

**The Victory Service
of
Dagny C. Gullerud
June 29, 1912—January 15, 2012**

Messiah Lutheran Church
2015 North Hastings Way
Eau Claire, WI

Affiliation: Church of the Lutheran Confession
January 19, 2012 11:00 A.M.

Hymn 656 Behold a Host, Arrayed in White

Reading of the Obituary

WS 778 Grace Has a Thrilling Sound

Scripture Readings

John 1:1-5, 14 John 14:1-6
John 3:14-18 John 18:33-37
John 10:11-18 John 20:19-23

Hymn 355 Thou Art the Way; to Thee Alone

Sermon Text: John 20:30-31 And truly Jesus did many other signs in the presence of His disciples, which are not written in this book; ³¹ But these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing you may have life in His name.

Sermon Theme: The lesson of Dagny's life:
From WWJD to WDJJ

- I. Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God
- II. Who alone gives life eternal

Hymn 245 God Loved the World So that He Gave

Prayer Lord's Prayer Benediction

Hymn 800 Go, My Children, with My Blessing

Servants of the Word:

Organist: Prof. John Reim Pastors: Bruce Naumann and Paul Tiefel

The Obituary of Dagny C. Gullerud

John 3:5-6 Jesus answered, "Most assuredly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God. That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit.

On June 29, 1912 the LORD blessed Pastor Olaf Gullerud and his wife Sarah nee Tyssen with the gift of a daughter, Dagny Clarissa. Dagny was born in Tracy, MN the third in a family of four boys and three girls. On July 21, 1912 the Spirit of God added the blessing of a rebirth of Dagny's soul through the Sacrament of Baptism and thereby brought her into the Kingdom of God.

John 8:31-32 Then Jesus said to those Jews who believed Him, "If you abide in My word, you are My disciples indeed. And you shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free."

Dagny was provided a Christ-centered education by her parents. On May 29, 1927 she was confirmed in her Christian faith. She was educated at Bethany Lutheran College in Mankato, MN and at South Dakota State University in Brookings, SD. As a young girl she went through a major doctrinal controversy. Her continuance in the Word of God led her family away from false teaching into a new fellowship. Forty years later another doctrinal controversy came and in her desire to continue in the Word of God she left for the new fellowship, The Church of the Lutheran Confession. Dagny clung to the Savior's promise that through the Word of God alone there is freedom from sin.

John 15:5 "I am the vine, you are the branches. He who abides in Me, and I in him, bears much fruit; for without Me you can do nothing."

Jesus, the Vine, supplied His branch, Dagny, life and strength and nourishment for a life of loving service filled with fruits of faith. She spent many years as a teacher of Home Economics and General Science in Mankato and St. Claire, MN, in Chicago, IL and in South Dakota and in the Upper Peninsula of Michigan. In 1968 she moved to Eau Claire and taught at Chippewa Valley Technical College. She also served as an accomplished pianist and church organist. Dagny took off two years during her college studies to care for her father when he was sick and dying. Later on she took an early retirement to offer similar loving care to her mother in her final years and formed a special, many year partnership of mutual love and support for her niece, Ruth.

