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Rev. Marlene Faye Whiterabbit Helgemo

February 10, 1947 - July 22, 2022

Marlene Whiterabbit Helgemo, advocate, community leader and the first Native American woman ordained in the Lutheran church, died July 22. She was 75.

Helgemo, a member of the Ho-Chunk Tribe in Wisconsin, grew up in Ashland, Wis. She was a graduate of Luther Northwestern Theological Seminary (now Luther Seminary) in St. Paul, Minn., and was ordained on July 19, 1987, at Calvary Lutheran Church, Minneapolis. She began her ministry as pastor of University Lutheran Church of Hope, Minneapolis (1987-1992). From 1992 onward, Helgemo served as pastor of All Nations Indian Church, a United Church of Christ (UCC) ministry in the heart of the Indian community in Minneapolis. At the time of her installation at All Nations Indian Church, she was one of only three ELCA clergy to serve a congregation of another denomination.

In addition to her role as pastor, Helgemo served as a leader in several institutions and organizations. In 2016 she was elected to the board of regents for Augsburg University, Minneapolis. She presided over the board of directors for the American Indian Community Development Corporation and both founded and once presided over the board of the National Native American Boarding School Healing Coalition.



Daily Chapel

October 7, 2022 Homecoming Week Remembering Reverend Marlene Whiterabbit Helgemo

Welcome to Campus Ministry's Daily Chapel at Augsburg University. We are blessed by your presence among us!

PRELUDE

WELCOME

GATHERING PRAYER

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

Creating God, you made heaven and earth. You formed us from the dust of the earth and called us very good. Your breath gave us life.

We glorify your Creation.

Saving God, you were born to live with and like us. You have felt our suffering and joy so that we are never alone. You died so that we, too, can live a new and eternal life.

We praise your salvation.

Sustaining God, you stir up our faith and comfort our sorrow. You gather your church for the sake of hope that carries us forward one day at a time. **We worship your abiding present.**

God of life, your Holy Spirit has gathered us together to remember Marlene. Be present in our sorrow with holy compassion and good care. Give us faith to trust that death does not have the last word, and anchor us in the hope we have in Jesus, the resurrection and life for all people.

Amen.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING FOR MARLENE HELGEMO

Loving God, we give you thanks for the life of your beloved child Marlene. Her vibrant life revealed your image and brought light to the lives of so many. We have seen in her friendship your



compassion, in her service your goodness, in her faithfulness glimpses of your eternal love. Strengthen our faith so that we may trust that nothing can separate us from your love in Christ Jesus, that your life is now Marlene's and will one day be ours. Amen.

SCRIPTURE Philippians 2:12-18

from The First Nations Version of the New Testament

My much-loved family, you have always followed my guidance, not only when I was with you but much more now that I am away. So then, with great respect, you must walk the path Creator has given you for being set free and made whole. For the Great Spirit is creating in you the desire and strength to do what pleases him. Do everything without grumbling or arguing. In this way, you will show yourselves to be pure and innocent children of the Great Spirit. Even though you walk among a generation of people who live in bent and twisted ways, your reputation will shine as bright as the stars in the night sky as you hold out to them the words of life. In this way on the day of the Chosen One, I can stand tall at the end of the trail knowing that my hard work was not wasted on you. Even if my lifeblood is to be poured out like a ceremonial drink offering in loving service to you faith, my heart is glad and I share my joy with you. Your hearts should also be glad and share the same joy that I have.

OPENING SONG Our God

Verse 1
Water You turned into wine
Opened the eyes of the blind
There's no one like You
None like You

Verse 2 Into the darkness You shine Out of the ashes we rise There's no one like You None like You

Chorus
Our God is greater
Our God is stronger
God You are higher than any other
Our God is healer
Awesome in power our God our God

Chris Tomlin

Bridge
And if our God is for us
Then who could ever stop us
And if our God is with us
Then what could stand against
And if our God is for us
Then who could ever stop us
And if our God is with us
Then what could stand against
(Then) what could stand against

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SERMON Rev. Babette Chatman

SENDING SONG Auggie School Song (See screen)

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WORSHIP LEADERS

Sermon: Rev. Babette Chatman '06, University Pastor and Director of Campus Ministry

Presiding: Pastor Babette Chatman, University Pastor, Hannah Sackett, Pastoral Intern; Renee Christensen, Augsburg Student Ministry Deacon **Musician:** Brian De Young, Campus Ministry Musician, piano and organ

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UPCOMING IN CHAPEL

Monday, October 10 at 10:40 am: Monday Mysteries and Text: A Time of Contemplation

Tuesday, October 11 at 11:30 am: Michael Grewe, Dean of Students Wednesday, October 12 at 10:40 am: Interfaith Chapel - watch for more details

Thursday, October 13 at 11:30 am: Nadine Miller, Senior Chapel **Friday, October 14 at 10:40 am:** Bishop Olav Fyske Tveit, Norwegian Lutheran theologian and bishop, and the current Preses of the Bishops' Conference of the Church of Norway

Saturday, October 8 at 10:00 am: Homecoming Worship Service. University Pastor John Schwehn is preaching at this special service. We will also have the Centennial Singer. Please join us for worship as part of Homecoming.

Wednesday Night Communion

October 5 at 8:00 pm in Hoversten Chapel. All students are invited to join us for Multicultural Worship

Friday Prayer (Jummah): 1:30 pm in Hoversten Chapel (this week we will meet in the gym in Si Melby.