A Celebration of Life

A Service of Thanksgiving and Remembrance

Wellesley College – Class of 1957

Saturday, June 4, 2022

In person and on Zoom
Welcome
Betsy Rauch Rainoff, Class President

Hymn: For the Beauty of the Earth
Music: Conrad Kocher
Words: Folliort S. Pierpont
Accompanist: Barbara Barnett Wing

For the beauty of the Earth, for the Glory of the skies,
For the love that from our birth over and around us lies.
God of all, to Thee we raise
This our hymn of grateful praise.

For the joy of human love, brother, sister, parent, child,
Friends on earth and friends above for all gentle thoughts
and mild,
God of all to Thee we raise
This our hymn of grateful praise.

Invocation
By Eleanor Commo McLaughlin

We thank you, O God of life and love,
For the resurrecting gift of memory
Which endows us, fashioned in Your image,
With the Godlike sovereign power
To give immortality through love.
Blessed be You, O God, who enables us to remember.
Hymn: O God, Our Help in Ages Past
Music: William Croft
Words: Isaac Watts
Accompanist: Barbara Barnett Wing

Oh God, our help in ages past,
Our hope for years to come,
Our shelter from the stormy blast,
And our eternal home.

Under the shadow of Thy throne
Still may we dwell secure;
Sufficient is Thine arm alone,
And our defense is sure.

Before the hills in order stood,
Or earth received her frame,
From everlasting Thou art God,
To endless years the same.

A thousand ages, in Thy sight
Are like an evening gone;
Short as the watch that ends the night,
Before the rising sun.

Time, like an ever-rolling stream,
Bears all who breathe away;
They flight forgotten, as a dream
Dies at the opening day.

O God, our help in ages past,
Our hope for years to come,
Be thou our guide while life shall last,
And our eternal home.
**Reading: Circle of Life**  
Native American Prayer

Fear not that which is now,  
Fear not that which is to come.  
Life, death, and being are one.  
It is a circle. There is no beginning and no end.  
For that which is the beginning is the end of the other.  
And that which is the end is the beginning of the other.  
Surely the lessons of life are the wisdom of death.  
Those that live in the knowledge of what the circle truly is  
Have peace beyond measure.

**Reading: Poem**  
By Hannah Senseh

There are stars up above,  
So far away we only see their light  
Long, long after the star itself is gone.  
And so it is with people we loved –  
Their memories keep shining ever brightly  
Though their time with us is done.  
But the stars that light up the darkest night,  
These are the lights that guide us.  
As we live our days,  
These are the ways we remember.
Reading: We Remember Them *(responsive)*
By Sylvan Kamens and Jack Riemer

At the rising of the sun and at its going down,
We remember them.
   *At the blowing of the wind and in the chill of winter,*
   *We remember them.*

At the opening of the buds and in the rebirth of spring,
We remember them.
   *At the shining of the sun and in the warmth of summer,*
   *We remember them.*

At the rustling of the leaves and in the beauty of autumn,
We remember them.
   *At the beginning of the year and at its end,*
   *We remember them.*

When we are weary, and in need of strength,
We remember them.
   *When we are lost and sick at heart,*
   *We remember them.*

When we have joys we yearn to share,
We remember them.
   *When we have decisions that are difficult to make,*
   *We remember them.*

When we have achievements that are based on theirs,
We remember them.
   *When we fulfill their dreams, and are on our own,*
   *We remember them.*

As long as we live, they too will live,
For they are now a part of us,
As we remember them.
Life is short and we never have enough time to gladden the hearts of those who travel the way with us. So be swift to love and make haste to be kind.

Henri-Frédéric Amiel
IN MEMORIAM
2017-2022

Janice Reddig Coggeshall
Karen Temple Wiese
Suzanne Embree Sinclair
Winifred Jess Tierney
Victoria Bradford Witte
Janet Gorman Graham
Harriette Upham Brown
Martha Savener Mason
Jane Chisholm Hofe
Christina Mager Loukedis
Ann Jackson O'Sullivan
Ann Stewart Anderson
Harriett Spalding Hanchett
Vitaline O'Connell O'Toole
Anne Roberts Marden
Nancy Clark Curtin
A.J. Fleet Dickey
Jane Kearney Robertson
Barbara Smith Hodges
Laura Comfort Kesel
Helen Stith Howell
Diana Wiess Weiner
Doris Vanderblue Kerans
Johanna Koelin Schwanauer
Linda Clark Russell
Cynthia Sacks List
Gloria Barnes Harper
Nina Moss
Maris Fisher Krasnegor
Phyllis Goldstein Halpern
Catherine McLean Eagleson
Laura Neuhaus Hansen
Abby Nicholson Hodges
Hermine Halprin Marshall
Peggy Pitman Mays
Barbara Broback Weigel
Marcia Shick Woodruff
Kathryn Keller Powell
June Groves Suhling
Mildred Fultz McKenna
Lois Klein Jolson
Phyllis Czaplicki Esslinger
Susan Davenport Pierce
Nancy Sherman
Mona Campbell Munson
Elaine Audi Macken
Carolyn Weber
Willa Fisher Spicer
Margaret Williams Doole
Bell Gale Chevigny
Paula Kaplan Hawkins
Joanne Coyle Dauphin
Cathryn Kiewitt Mollman
Deborah Dunbar Burdick

This list includes classmates who have died during the past five years in the order of their death.

For a list of all classmates who have died since 1955, please visit our class website at: https://alum.wellesley.edu/class-of-1957/reunion/in-memoriam
Time for Reflection
Edvard Grieg, “Air,” from the Holberg Suite (opus 40)

Pianist: Barbara Barnett Wing

Hymn: Be Thou My Vision
Words: Ancient Irish
Music: Traditional Irish Melody

Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;
Naught be all else to me, save that thou art.
Thou my best thought, by day or by night,
Waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.

Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true word;
I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord;
Thou and thou only, first in my heart,
Great God of heaven, my treasure thou art.
Hymn: America the Beautiful
Music, Samuel A. Ward
Words: Katherine Lee Bates (on Wellesley faculty, 1893)
Accompanist, Barbara Barnett Wing

O beautiful, for spacious skies, for amber waves of grain.
For purple mountain majesties above the fruited plain.
America! America! God shed His grace on thee,
And crown thy good with sisterhood, from sea to shining sea.

O beautiful, for heroes proved in liberating strife.
Who more than self their country loved, and mercy more than life!
America! America! May God thy gold refine,
Till all success be nobleness, and every gain divine.

O beautiful, for patriot dream that sees beyond the years.
Thine alabaster cities gleam, undimmed by human tears!
America! America! God mend thine every flaw.
Confirm they soul in self control, thy liberty in law.
Readers

Patricia McMonigle Bartels
Emily Hatfield Benner
Helen Austern Colson
Holly Trentman Day
Linda Lee Reiss Freeman
Roberta Berkley Gould
Nancy Willard Magaud
Francine Berth Myles
Elizabeth Rauch Rainoff
Donna Grant Reilly
Helene Halper Rosenberg
Kerala Johnson Snyder