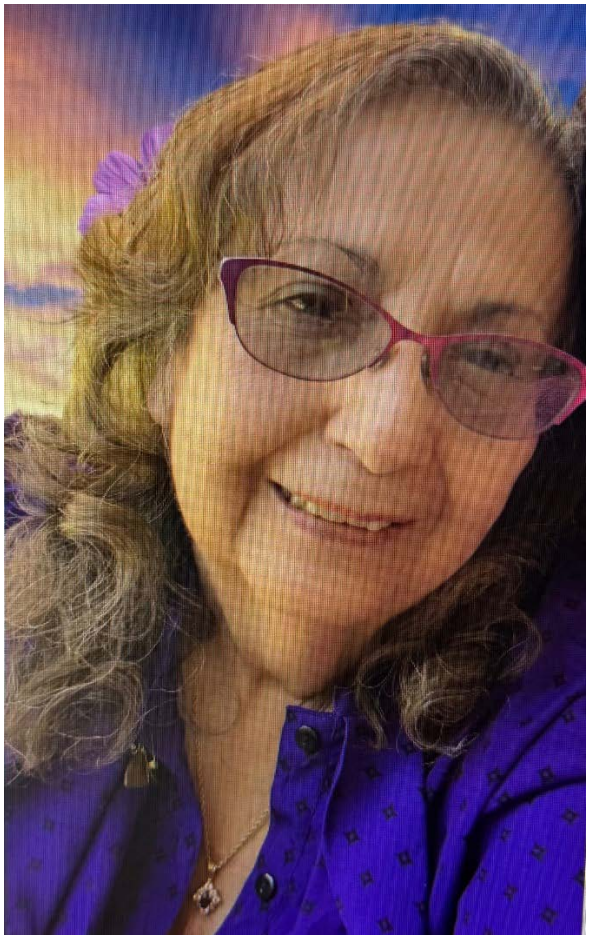
In Celebration and Memory of

Janice Crane

December 16, 1946 – September 17, 2026



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Celebrating the Life of Janice Mae Duran Crane

Janice Mae Duran Crane was born on December 16, 1946, in Denver, Colorado, to Demetrio and Vera Duran. The youngest of five daughters in a family of nine children, she was raised in the Catholic faith and surrounded by the love and traditions of a large family. At just eight years old, she became an aunt for the first time, beginning a lifelong bond with her many nieces and nephews.

Her family eventually settled in Vallejo, California, where she graduated from Hogan High School in 1965. After attending Solano Junior College, Janice moved to San Francisco in 1967 to live with her sisters and begin her career. The following year, she joined Mayor Joseph Alioto's administration as a research assistant with the Crime Commission, where she worked until 1976. During this time, she married Victor Ryerson Crane, and together they welcomed two sons, Mathew and Nathan.

Janice later worked for the University of California in Sacramento in the Department of Records. Her love of learning led her to graduate from Saint Mary's College at age 62, receiving her diploma from then-Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger. After retiring, she moved to Arizona to be closer to her sisters, worked for Banner Health, and became an active member of St. Christopher's congregation and choir.

Janice faced life's challenges with strength and determination, surviving both breast cancer and a heart attack that required surgery in 2014. She continued pursuing her passions, including genealogy, and was voted Secretary of the GSHA genealogy group. She loved researching her family's roots and preserving stories that became part of the treasured Duran family folklore.

Family was always at the heart of Janice's life. She devoted many years to caring for her mother and later served as a caretaker, companion, and nanny to her grandniece and other loved ones, including her sisters . A wonderful cook, she expressed her love through the meals she shared. Like her mother, she was a bit of a *curandera*, with a special knowledge of herbs, home remedies, and natural healing passed down through generations.

Janice will be remembered as a kind, gentle soul, a wonderful listener, and someone whose presence brought comfort. She had a nurturing heart for people and animals alike. Her faith, family, singing in the church choir, and sharing stories brought her great joy.

Janice leaves behind her sons and their families: Mathew and Melissa Crane and their children, Colton, Abrielle, and Raelyn; and Nathan Crane and his wife, Clara Sun. She is also survived by her brothers, Roger and Steven; sisters, Elaine and Diana; and many nieces, nephews, grandnieces, grandnephews, cousins, and dear friends.

Janice's life was one of faith, perseverance, and love. Her legacy lives on through the family she nurtured, the traditions she carried forward, and the stories she preserved. She will be deeply missed, forever cherished, and lovingly remembered.

Rest in Peace

Welcome to St. Christopher's today.

This service is taken from the Book of Common Prayer according to the use of The Episcopal Church—The Burial of the Dead Rite II which begins on page 491.

The liturgy for the dead is an Easter liturgy. It finds all its meaning in the resurrection. Because Jesus was raised from the dead, we too shall be raised. The liturgy, therefore, is characterized by joy in the certainty that "neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord."

This joy, however, does not make human grief unchristian. The very love we have for each other in Christ brings deep sorrow when we are parted by death. Jesus himself wept at the grave of his friend, Lazarus. So, while we rejoice that Janice has entered into the nearer presence of our Lord, we are sad and sympathize with those who mourn because we miss her.

May the peace of the Lord be with you always.

Fr. Gerardo+ Brambila Estrada
Rector

Worship Leaders

Celebrant

The Rev. Gerardo Brambila

Deacon

Deacon Emmanuel “Bola” Oluloro

Verger

Patty Emanuelson

Chalice Bearers

Betty Roddy & Patty Emanuelson

Crucifer

Betty Roddy

Gospel

Deacon Bola

Readings

Old Testament: Isaiah 43: 1-2
The Psalm: Psalm 23
New Testament: Philippians 3: 20-21
The Gospel: Matthew 5: 1-12

Ushers

Altar Guild

Organist & Music Director

Mr. Donald Palm

Burial of the Dead: Rite Two

The Book of Common Prayer

Prelude *In the Garden by C. Austin Miles*

Processional: *Amazing Grace* H-671

Please stand as able

Celebrant: I am Resurrection, and I am life, says the Lord. Whoever has faith in me shall have life, even though he die. And everyone who has life and has committed himself to me in faith shall not die for ever.

As for me, I know that my Redeemer lives and that at the last He will stand upon the earth. After my awaking, He will raise me up; and in my body I shall see God. I myself shall see, and my eyes behold Him who is my friend and not a stranger.

For none of us has life in himself, and none becomes his own master when he dies. For if we have life, we are alive in the Lord, and if we die, we die in the Lord. So then whether we live or die, we are the Lord's possession.

Happy from now on are those who die in the Lord! So it is, says the Spirit, for they rest from their labors.

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Let us pray.

O God of grace and glory, we remember before you this day our sister Janice Mae Duran Crane. We thank you for giving her to us, her family, and friends, to know and to love as companions on our earthly pilgrimage. In your boundless compassion, console us who mourn. Give us faith to see in death the gate of eternal life, so that in quiet confidence we may continue our course on earth, until, by your call, we are reunited with those who have gone before, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People: **Amen.**

Celebrant: Most merciful God, whose wisdom is beyond our understanding: Deal graciously with the Duran and Crane families and all of us in our grief. Surround us with Your love, that we may not be overwhelmed by loss, but have confidence in Your goodness, and strength to meet the days to come, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People: Amen.

Please be seated for the readings.

The Liturgy of the Word

Isaiah 43: 1-2

Lector: A reading from the Prophet Isaiah

But now, this is what the Lord says— he who created you, Jacob, he who formed you, Israel:

"Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have summoned you by name; you are mine. When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and when you pass through the rivers, they will not sweep over you.

Lector*:* *The Word of the Lord*

People: Thanks be to God.

The Psalm
Psalm 23

1. The Lord is my shepherd;*
   I shall not want.
2. He maketh me to lie down in green pastures:*****
   he leadeth me beside the still waters.
3. He restoreth my soul: *****
   he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.

4. Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me;*****
   thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.
5. Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: *****
   thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.
6. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: *** and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.**

New Testament
Philippians 3:20-21

Lector: A Reading from Paul's letter to the Philippians

But our citizenship is in heaven. And we eagerly await a Savior from there, the Lord Jesus Christ, who, by the power that enables him to bring everything under his control, will transform our lowly bodies so that they will be like his glorious body.

Lector: The Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God

Please stand as you are able for the hymn and the Gospel reading

Gospel Hymn: *Glorify Thy Name* Attached

The Gospel
John 11: 21-27

Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.
People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying:

"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

"Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

"Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.

"Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.

"Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.

"Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.

"Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.

"Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

"Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you."

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord
People: Praise to You, Lord Christ.

Please be seated for the sermon.

The Sermon
The Rev. Gerardo Brambila Estrada

Family Remembrances

Celebrant: In the assurance of eternal life given at Baptism, let us proclaim our faith and say,

Celebrant & People: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary
He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Celebrant: For our sister Janice let us pray to our Lord Jesus Christ who said, "I am Resurrection, and I am Life."
Lord, you consoled Martha and Mary in their distress; draw near to us who mourn for Janice and dry the tears of those who weep.

People: Hear us, Lord.

Celebrant: You wept at the grave of Lazarus, your friend; comfort us in our sorrow.

People: Hear us, Lord.

Celebrant: You raised the dead to life; give to our sister eternal life.

People: Hear us, Lord.

Celebrant: You promised paradise to the thief who repented; bring our sister to the joys of heaven.

People: Hear us, Lord.

Celebrant: Our sister was washed in Baptism and anointed with the Holy Spirit; give her fellowship with all your saints.

People: Hear us, Lord.

Celebrant: She was nourished with your Body and Blood; grant her a place at the table in your heavenly kingdom.

People: Hear us, Lord.

Celebrant: Comfort us in our sorrows at the death of our sister; let our faith be our consolation, and eternal life our hope.

Silence may be kept

Celebrant: Lord Jesus Christ, we commend to you our sister Janice who was reborn by water and the Spirit in Holy Baptism. Grant that her death may recall to us your victory over death and be an occasion for us to renew our trust in your Father's love. Give us, we pray, the faith to follow where you have led the way; and where you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, to the ages of ages. *Amen.*

Exchanging of a Sign of Peace

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People: And also with you.

Offertory Anthem: *Precious Lord, Take My Hand by Thomas A. Dorsey*
Sung by St. Christopher's Choir

The Holy Communion
The Great Thanksgiving

Please stand as you are able.

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.
People: And also with you.
Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.
People: We lift them to the Lord.
Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Celebrant: It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, who rose victorious from the dead and comforts us with the blessed hope of everlasting life. For to your faithful people, O Lord, life is changed, not ended; and when our mortal body lies in death, there is prepared for us a dwelling place eternal in the heavens.

Therefore, we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus *Holy, Holy, Holy Lord* S-129

All: Holy, holy, holy, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Please kneel or stand as you are able.

Celebrant: Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world. On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat, this is my Body, which was given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them and said, "Drink this, all of you. This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

All: **Christ has died.**
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.

Celebrant: We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him.

Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace, and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom. All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ.

By him and with him, and in him , in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and forever.

People: **Amen.**

Celebrant: And now as our savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say:

All: **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.**

The Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant: Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People: **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!**

Celebrant: These are the gifts of God for the people of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you and feed on him in your hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

The Distribution of Communion for the People

The people come forward to receive communion.

Please note: Everyone is invited to come forward during the distribution of bread and wine. Dip the tip of the host into the cup offered to receive the wine. If you choose to receive only a blessing, approach the priest with arms crossed over your chest to signify your desire.

Receiving the bread:

Celebrant: The body of Christ. The bread of heaven.

Receiver: **Amen.**

Receiving the wine:

Chalice Bearer: The blood of Christ. The cup of salvation.

Receiver: **Amen.**

Communion Hymn: *I Am The Bread of Life* H-335

Post Communion Prayer

Celebrant: Almighty God, we thank you that in your great love you have fed us with the spiritual food and drink of the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ and have given us a foretaste of your heavenly banquet. Grant that this Sacrament may be to us a comfort in affliction, and a pledge of our inheritance in that kingdom where there is no death neither sorrow nor crying, but the fullness of joy with all your saints, through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

People: **Amen.**

The Commendation

Celebrant: Give rest, O Christ, to your servants with your saints,

People: **Where sorrow and pain are no more, neither sighing, but life everlasting.**

Celebrant: You only are immortal, the creator and maker of mankind; and we are mortal, formed of the earth, and to earth shall we return. For so did you ordain when you created me, saying, "You are dust, and to dust you shall return." All of us go down to the dust; yet even at the grave we make our song: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

People: **Give rest, O Christ, to your servant(s) with your saints, where sorrow and pain are no more, neither sighing, but life everlasting.**

The Celebrant, facing the body, says

Celebrant: Into your hands, O merciful Savior, we commend your servant, Janice. Acknowledge, we humbly beseech you, sheep of your own fold, lambs of your own flock, sinner of your own redeeming. Receive her into the arms of your mercy, into the blessed rest of everlasting peace, and into the glorious company of the saints in light. *Amen.*

The Committal

Celebrant: Everyone the Father gives to me will come to me; I will never turn away anyone who believes in me.

He who raised Jesus Christ from the dead will also give new life to our mortal bodies through his indwelling Spirit.

My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spirit rejoices; my body also shall rest in hope.

You will show me the path of life; in your presence there is fullness of joy, and in your right hand are pleasures for evermore.

Then, while earth is cast upon the urn, the Celebrant says these words.

Celebrant: In sure and certain hope of the resurrection to eternal life through our Lord Jesus Christ, we commend to Almighty God our sister Janice, and we commit her body to the ground; earth to earth, ashes to ashes, dust to dust. The Lord bless her and keep her, the Lord make his face to shine upon her and be gracious to her, the Lord lift up his countenance upon her and give her peace. *Amen.*

Celebrant: The Lord be with you
People: And also with you
Celebrant: Let us pray

Celebrant: Rest eternal grant to her, O Lord.
People: And let light perpetual shine upon her.
Celebrant: May her soul, and the souls of all the departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen

The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant: Make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight; through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

The blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you forever. Amen.

Celebrant: Alleluia, Christ is risen.
People: **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.**
Celebrant: Let us go forth in the name of Christ.
People: **Thanks be to God.**

Dismissal Hymn: *Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee* H-376

Postlude:



Thank you for joining Janice Crane's family and friends today to remember and celebrate our dear sister, mother, aunt, grandma, and friend. You are invited to enjoy light refreshments in the hall next door to continue to share stories of Janice's life with us.

In lieu of flowers donations should be made to St. Christopher's Episcopal Church Rector's Discretionary Fund.

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Donna Adkins

