

Gertrude Vanderwerp (nee Geusebroek), age 99, recently of Fairfield, Ohio, longtime resident of Platte, South Dakota, passed away peacefully Thursday, July 7, 2016 at Hospice of Cincinnati, Blue Ash, Ohio. She was born Thursday, March 15, 1917 in Geddes, South Dakota to Stephanus and Cora (nee DeVogel) Geusebroek.

Gertrude was a seamstress most of her life in addition to taking care of her family and home. She enjoyed boating and fishing on the Missouri River in South Dakota as well as going on road trips with her beloved husband, Henry. Gertrude loved staying active in her community and enjoyed playing bridge and other card games. She will be missed by all that knew and loved her.

Gertrude was preceded in death by: her parents, Stephanus and Cora Geusebroek; husband, Henry Vanderwerp; and sisters, Lena Gardiner and Katherine Underwood-Miya.

Gertrude is survived by: her daughter, Jane (Dennis) Trchka; granddaughters, Amy (James) Drake and Molly (John) Sautman; great-grandchildren, Kaylyn Drake, James "Tre" Drake, Colton Drake, Elizabeth "Elie" Sautman, Olivia Sautman and Alexander Sautman; and many other loving family members and friends.

The family requests donations made in memory of Gertrude be directed to Platte Public Library, PO Box 64, Platte, SD 57369 or to Christian Reformed Church, PO Box 386, Platte, SD 57369





*The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.  
He maketh me to lie down in green pastures:  
he leadeth me beside the still waters. He  
restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of  
righteousness for his name's sake. 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. Thou preparest a  
table before me in the presence of mine enemies:  
thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth  
over. 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.*

*Psalm 23:1-6*

***In Memory of***  
Gertrude Vanderwerp

***Date and Place of Birth***

Thursday, March 15, 1917  
Geddes, South Dakota

***Date and Place of Death***

Thursday, July 7, 2016  
Blue Ash, Ohio

***Time and Place of Services***

5:00 PM – Monday, July 11, 2016  
Mueller Funeral Home

Pastor Scott Tessin Officiating

10:30 AM – Friday, July 15, 2016

Platte Christian Reformed Church  
Pastor Drew Hoekema Officiating

***Interment***

Platte City Cemetery  
Platte, South Dakota

*Mueller Funeral Home*  
*MuellerfuneralS.com*



You are cordially invited to Dennis & Jane's home for light refreshments and the sharing of memories. Their address:

7401 West Observatory  
West Chester, OH 45069

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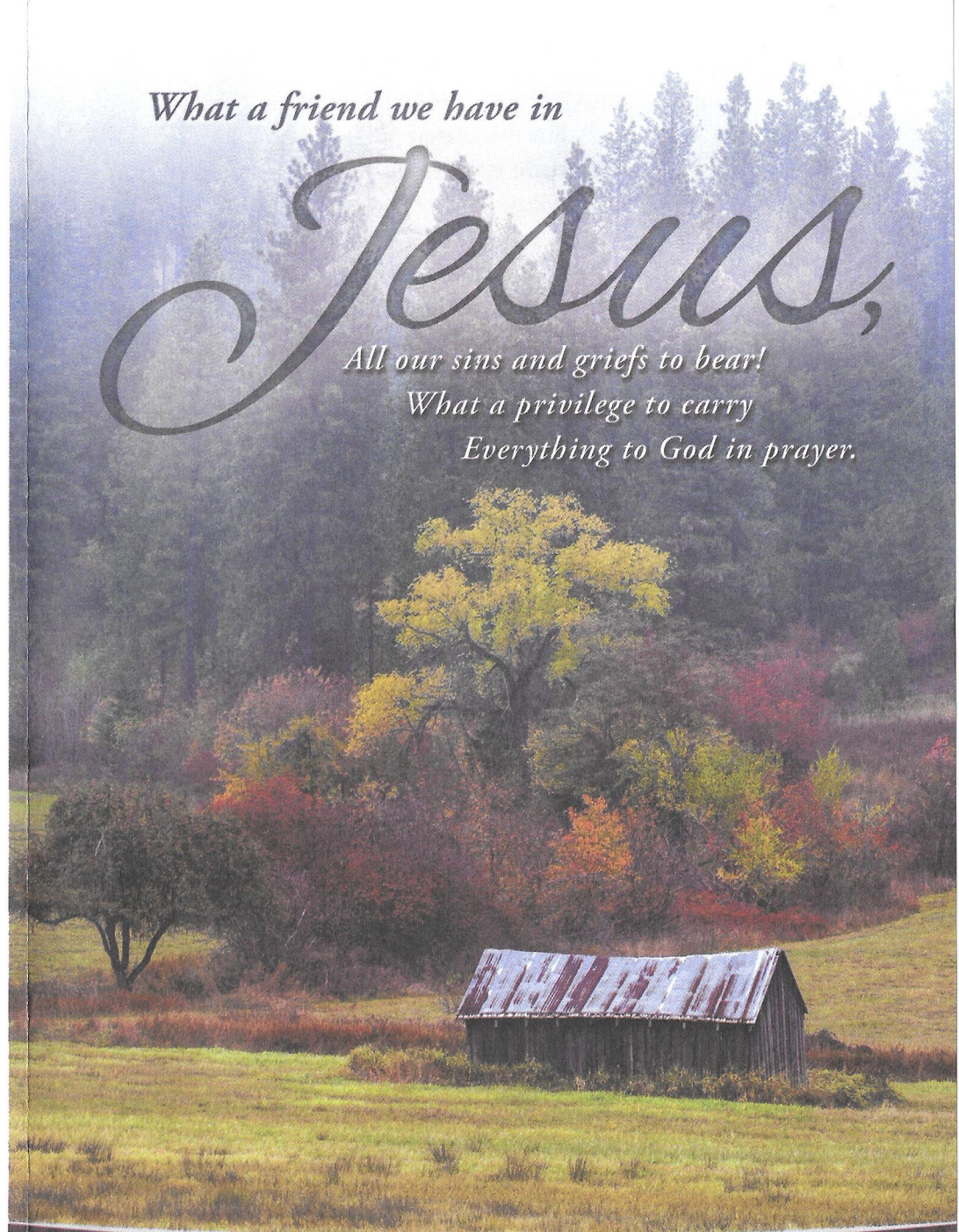
*What a friend we have in*

*Jesus,*

*All our sins and griefs to bear!*

*What a privilege to carry*

*Everything to God in prayer.*



*But thanks be to God, which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.*

I Corinthians 15:57



## A CELEBRATION OF THANKSGIVING

For the Life of  
**Gertrude Vanderwerp**  
Born into Earthly Life  
March 15, 1917  
Passed into Eternal Life  
July 7, 2016

### Pre-Service Music

### Opening Song

"What a Friend We Have in Jesus"

### Scripture Readings

Psalm 23  
John 14:1-6

### Family Memories

John Sautman, husband of Molly, granddaughter of Gertrude

### Family Song

"I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say" sung by Shirley and JD Drake

### Message

Pastor Scott Tessin

### Prayer of Thanksgiving

### The Lord's Prayer

### The Blessing

### Closing Song

"How Great Thou Art"

### What a Friend We Have in Jesus

What a friend we have in Jesus,  
All our sins and griefs to bear!  
What a privilege to carry  
Everything to God in prayer!  
O what peace we often forfeit,  
O what needless pain we bear,  
All because we do not carry  
Everything to God in prayer.

Have we trials and temptations?  
Is there trouble anywhere?  
We should never be discouraged;  
Take it to the Lord in prayer.  
Can we find a friend so faithful  
Who will all our sorrows share?  
Jesus knows our every weakness;  
Take it to the Lord in prayer.

### How Great Thou Art

O Lord my God, When I in awesome wonder,  
Consider all the worlds Thy Hands have made;  
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder,  
Thy power throughout the universe displayed.

### Refrain

Then sings my soul, My Savior God, to Thee,  
How great Thou art, How great Thou art.  
Then sings my soul, My Savior God, to Thee,  
How great Thou art, How great Thou art!

And when I think, that God, His Son not sparing;  
Sent Him to die, I scarce can take it in;  
That on the Cross, my burden gladly bearing,  
He bled and died to take away my sin.

### Refrain

When Christ shall come, with shout of acclamation,  
And take me home, what joy shall fill my heart.  
Then I shall bow, in humble adoration,  
And then proclaim: "My God, how great Thou art!"

### Refrain

Are we weak and heavy laden,  
Cumbered with a load of care?  
Precious Savior, still our refuge,  
Take it to the Lord in prayer.  
Do your friends despise,  
forsake you?  
Take it to the Lord in prayer!  
In His arms He'll take and  
Shield you;  
You will find a solace there.