



Celebrating the life and faith of

Martha M. Woods

August 11, 1936–July 28, 2026

Saturday, August 8, 2026

11:00 a.m.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF RIVER FOREST

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**A Witness to the Resurrection
of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ
and to the Life and Faith of Martha M. Woods**

Prelude Jane Holstein, organist

Opening Prayer Rev. Donna Marsh

Call to Worship Rev. Deborah McEachran

***Hymn 51** How Great Thou Art

Remembrance Susan McGraugh

Scripture Ecclesiastes 3:1-8 Laurel Eiber

Colossians 3:12-15 Griffin Eiber

James 1:2-4 Caitlin Wasserberger

Anthem In the Garden Susie Raney

Homily Rev. Deborah McEachran

Hymn 422 Amazing Grace!

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession

The Lord's Prayer

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, forever.
Amen.

***Closing Hymn 614** Let There Be Peace on Earth

Benediction

Rev. Deborah McEachran

Postlude

**Please stand in body or spirit*

You are invited to greet family and friends at a reception in the Social Hall immediately following this service.



This service is also being livestreamed in the Maxwell Room, on the west side of the building, for anyone who would prefer a cooler space. Ushers are happy to direct you.

A recording of this service will be available anytime following the service at firstpresrf.org/memorials.

Martha Ann McEachran Woods

Martha Ann McEachran Woods passed away peacefully on July 28, 2026. She was surrounded by her three daughters, Ann Bell, Susan McGraugh and Carol Eiber. Martha was preceded in death by her husband of 50 years, George Edward Woods, Jr. She will be greatly missed.

Martha loved her family foremost. She adored her three sons-in-law, Marty Bell, Chris McGraugh and Troy Eiber. She relished time with her eight grandchildren and their spouses: Caitlin and Kyle Wasserberger, Jack and Rebecca Bell, Christie Bell and Mac Bell, Dan and Mary Kate McGraugh, and Griffin and Laurel Eiber. Her great-granddaughter, Annaliese Wasserberger, was the light of her life.

Martha enjoyed an active life right into her eighties. She loved to play tennis and golf and was a dedicated traveler. Martha was a member of First Presbyterian Church of River Forest and was active participant in church life. She was also a member of the River Forest Tennis Club, the Infant Welfare Society and the West Suburban Hospital Auxiliary. Her happy place was at the cottage in Michigan with her family and one of her many wonderful dogs.

If you would like to honor Martha's life, please consider a donation to Chicago Hope Academy, 2189 West Bowler Street, Chicago, Illinois 60612, or www.chicagohopeacademy.net/donate.