



black mustard plant

In the Gospel of Mark:

He said, "How will we liken the Kingdom of God? Or with what parable will we illustrate it? It's like a grain of mustard seed, which, when it is sown in the earth, though it is less than all the seeds that are on the earth, yet when it is sown, grows up, and becomes greater than all the herbs, and puts out great branches, so that the birds of the sky can lodge under its shadow."

— Mark 4:30-32

EPISCOPAL CHURCH WOMEN
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Annual ECW Meeting

November 9, 2013

St. John's Episcopal Church

Lancaster, PA



IN HONOR


MARYELLEN
BAXTER



Mary Ellen Walker Baxter is eldest of 5 siblings born to the late Ralph and Catherine Walker. She is a native of York, Pennsylvania where she attended the public schools. As a student, she was a member of Future Teachers of America club, the Junior and Senior High School Orchestras and was a member of her local church choir and youth group. As an adult she has played violin and viola in the community orchestras of Hampton, VA; Petersburg, VA; Lancaster, PA; Cambridge, MA; and the George Washington University Orchestra in Washington, D.C. Presently she plays violin and viola in the West Shore (Harrisburg) Symphony.

Mary Ellen holds the degrees of B.S. in Music Education from Hampton University (cum laude) and the Ed.M. from Harvard Graduate School of Education in Administration. She has earned Principal certification at the Harvard Principal Center, and completed programs at Westminster Choir College (Hand-Bell conducting), West Chester University (Choir performance and the Longy School of Music (strings)).

Professionally she has taught General Music at Edward Hand Junior High in Lancaster, Fifth Grade at the National Presbyterian Elementary School in Washington, D.C. was also special project director of school. She served as



IN REMEMBRANCE

St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Philipsburg

Mary Gasper

Donna Rae Crago Starck

Dorothy Stratton

St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, York

Magali A. Blount

Susan Ring Dugan

All Saints Episcopal Church, Hanover

Adeline Arnold

Pamela Bennett

Janet Thompson Churchill

Charlotte Sheppard Devan

All Saints Episcopal Church, Hershey

Alice Thomas Griffith

Joan Weaver King

Marthena Densberger Sams

Elizabeth Storer





IN REMEMBRANCE



St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Harrisburg

Elizabeth Esther Lewis Glass

Mary Elizabeth Johnson Fulton

Janis Leftridge

St. Luke's Episcopal Church, Mount Joy

Francis Patricia Greiner Crabtree

Patsy Garber Gebhart

Cynthia McCarter

Dolores Sally Stevenson

St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Wellsboro

Evelyn Carson

Betty Campbell

Betty Kerrick

Miriam Whitney

Esther Willard

St. John's Episcopal Church, Lancaster

Margaret (Peggy) Craige



Admissions Administrator for the Lower School of St. Andrews Episcopal School in Potomac, MD. Recently she has taught violin at St. Stephen's Cathedral School, Harrisburg and was founding director of Hand-Bell Choirs at St. James Church, Lancaster and St. Stephen's Cathedral, Harrisburg.

As a volunteer, Mary Ellen has served as director of the Children's Choir at St. Paul's College Chapel; board member the Duke Ellington School of the Arts Board in Washington, DC. As a board member her direct contact with the students included overseeing the "Shepparding Program". She has also served as a board member of the Lancaster Symphony and an election volunteer for Lancaster County. As chief hostess of the National Cathedral she has formally received 4 presidents, the spouses of Congress and many foreign and ecclesiastical dignitaries.

Presently she is a member of the Episcopal Churchwomen of Central Pennsylvania, Daphne County Campaign Volunteer, and board member of Concertante (International) Chamber Orchestra, and is an active member of the Delta Theta Sigma Sorority.

She is married to the Right Reverend Nathan D. Baxter, Bishop of the Central Pennsylvania Diocese of the Episcopal Church. They have enjoyed traveling to 45 States, Canada and Mexico, Africa, Europe, Asia, Central and South America, and the Caribbean. They have 4 children (including 2 foster) and 9 grandchildren.



BOOK OF
REMEMBRANCE



IN REMEMBRANCE



A Final Word

Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free
I'm following the path God laid for me.
I took His hand when I heard Him call;
I turned my back and left it all.

I could not stay another day,
To laugh, to love, to work or play.
Tasks left undone must stay that way;
I found that place as the close of day.

If my parting has left a void,
Then fill it with remembered joy.
A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss;
Ah yes, these things, I too will miss.

Be not burdened with times of sorrow,
I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow.
My life's been full, I savored much;
Good friends, good times, a loved one's touch.

Perhaps my time seems all too brief;
Don't lengthen it now with undue grief.
Lift up your heart and share with me,
God wanted me now, He set me free.

Anonymous



St. James Episcopal Church, Lancaster

Jean Blevins
Edith Conrad
Dorothy Cooper
Florence Coyle
Arline (Doree) Davidson
Margaret (Pegge) Dean
Carol Goodyear
Ellen Groff
Catherine Iobst
Phyllis Peters
Ruth Remley
Mary Reynolds
Nancy Rogers
Mary Jo Schweizer
Elsie Sculthorpe
Joyce Smedley
Carol Stockwell
Dorothea Woods
Thelma Urban

