

CR-5 Honoring Lois Tapscott for her service and leadership in
a small mission church
in the Blue Ridge Mountains of the Diocese of Virginia.

Lois Tapscott
December 4, 1946 - April 18, 2025

WHEREAS Lois Ann McCarty Tapscott, the youngest of six children, was baptized, confirmed, and married at The Church of the Good Shepherd, Bluemont, and

WHEREAS Lois was a valued member of the youth group, the choir, and Bible studies, a Sunday School teacher, and by the age of 16 was the recording secretary for many committees, and

WHEREAS Lois became a strong Christian leader by learning from her mother, Mattie McCarty, the importance of setting aside time each day to be with God, and

WHEREAS Lois was first elected Senior Warden in the 1980s and served in that role, almost continuously, for the next 40 years, and

WHEREAS Lois was a servant leader and as her peers faded away, she would take on any church task that needed to be done, and

WHEREAS Lois was recognized as a Christian leader by the local community through helping anyone who entered the church seeking comfort, prayer, or a priest, and

WHEREAS Lois was a primary force for Good Shepherd's commitment to FISH of Clarke County (an interfaith food and clothing distribution charity), organizing church fundraisers and food donations, coordinating church volunteers for preparing and distributing boxed lunches, and sharing Christian fellowship with those who sought help from FISH, and

WHEREAS the Church of the Good Shepherd, inspired by her life, commitment, and faith has adopted a new mission statement: **Follow Christ. Welcome All. Serve Humbly**, be it therefore

RESOLVED that the 231st Annual Convention of the Diocese of Virginia gives thanks for the life and ministry of Lois Ann McCarty Tapscott and acknowledges the lasting impact that the faith, love, and commitment of a single person can have on a congregation, and be it further

RESOLVED that a presentation copy of this resolution be sent to the Church of the Good Shepherd, Bluemont, for prominent display.

Submitted by Judy Hall, senior warden, on behalf of The Church of the Good Shepherd, Bluemont