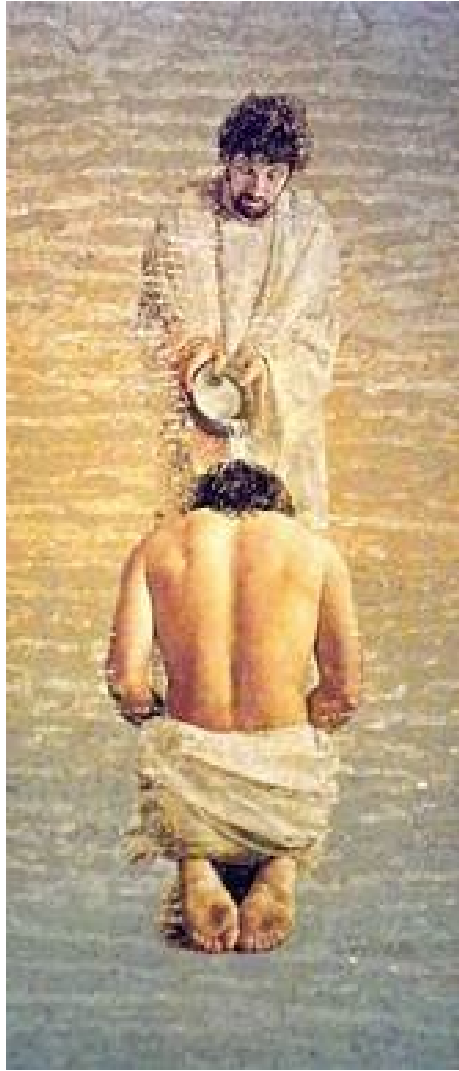


# FUNERAL PLANNING GUIDE



**Are you unaware that we, who were baptized into Christ Jesus,  
were baptized into his death? (Romans 6:3)**

**PAX CHRISTI**

**A WELCOMING CATHOLIC COMMUNITY**

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## CONDOLENCES

On behalf of Pax Christi, the pastoral care ministry expresses our sincere condolences and prayers. We will journey and support you during this time of grief and sadness. Whether the death was sudden or expected the loss of your loved one creates a hallow space with many emotions and decisions.

As we prepare for the funeral liturgy of your loved one, we will explore scripture and music to nourish this hallowed space. This ritual invites us to express our grief, pray for our loved one and celebrate the funeral liturgy that unites us with our loved one.

As Christians, we profess hope in the Resurrection. In the Order of Christian Funerals (OCF), “the Church confidently proclaims that God has created each person for eternal life and that Jesus, the Son of God, by his death and resurrection, has broken the chains of sin and death that bound humanity” (OCF #1).

### FUNERAL PLANNING WORKSHEET

The Funeral-planning Worksheet is an interactive form with dropdown menus. Please complete each section prior to our meeting. Sections include Funeral Information, Funeral Scheduling, Deceased Information, Contact Information as well as Sacred Music, Sacred Scripture, and Liturgical Ministers.

### FUNERAL PLANNING GUIDE

The Funeral-planning Guide provides all the information you need about funerals. The first section, About Funerals, includes information about the Three Rites to a Catholic Funeral, Order of Worship for a Catholic Liturgy and Which Funeral Liturgy is Right for You. The second section, Funeral Planning, includes information about Sacred Music, Sacred Scripture, Prayers of the Faithful, Family and Friends to Help and Words of Remembrance vs Eulogy. The final section, Funeral Day, includes Funeral Timetable, Helpful links, Liturgical Ministers & Funeral Homes, The Church Environment, Funeral Luncheon, and Donations and Fees. Please review each section, which provides more detailed information, insight, and inspiration to give your loved one a ritual with dignity, beauty and all the richness of our Catholic tradition.

### FUNERAL MUSIC AND SCRIPTURE BOOKLET

The Funeral Music and Reading Booklet provides all the sacred music (with clickable links to listen to songs) and sacred readings.



## ABOUT FUNERALS

Christians see bright rays of hope amid many tears grieving the loss of the deceased. "At the death of a Christian, whose life of faith was begun in the waters of Baptism and strengthened at the Eucharistic table, the Church intercedes on behalf of the deceased because of its confident belief that death is not the end, nor does it break the bonds forged in life" (OFC #4). Soon we will be reunited, as God tells us in the Bible, with those we love in a "dwelling provided for us by God, a dwelling in the heavens, not made by hands but to last forever" (2 Cor 5:1).

### THE THREE RITES TO A CATHOLIC FUNERAL

#### **Vigil Service**

"At the vigil, the Christian community keeps watch with the family in prayer to the God of mercy and finds strength in Christ's presence" (Order of Christian Funerals, no. 56). The Vigil Service usually takes place during the period of visitation. During this time, family and friends remember the life of the deceased and to commend the person to God. In prayer, we ask God to console us in our grief, and give us strength to support one another.

#### **Funeral Liturgy**

The funeral liturgy is the central liturgical celebration of the Christian community for the deceased. When one of its members dies, the Church encourages the celebration of the "Funeral Liturgy at Mass (with Communion)". On the other hand, when Mass cannot be celebrated, a "Funeral Liturgy outside Mass (without Communion)" can be celebrated at the church or in a funeral home.

#### **Committal (Burial/Interment)**

The Rite of Committal, the conclusion of the funeral rite, is the final act of the community of faith in caring for the body of its deceased member. This rite should normally be celebrated at the place of committal, that is, beside the open grave or place of interment. In committing the body to its resting place, the community expresses the hope that, with all those who have gone before us marked with the sign of faith, the deceased awaits the glory of the resurrection. The Rite of Committal is an expression of the communion that exists between the Church on earth and the Church in heaven: the deceased passes with the farewell prayers of the community of believers into the welcoming company of those who need faith no longer but see God face-to-face.



## ORDER OF WORSHIP FOR A CATHOLIC FUNERAL LITURGY

### Introductory Rites

The funeral liturgy usually begins in the back of the church by the Baptismal Font. The family gathers with the priest around the casket or urn. The Introductory Rite includes the Greeting, Sprinkling with Holy Water, Placing of Pall, Processional Hymn, Words of Remembrance (optional) and Opening Prayer.

### The Liturgy of the Word

The Liturgy of the Word is a time for God to speak his words of consolation to us through Sacred Scripture. The family chooses readings that will best speak to those who are mourning. The Liturgy of the Word includes an Old Testament Reading, Responsorial Psalm, New Testament Reading, Gospel, Homily and Prayers of the Faithful.

### The Liturgy of the Eucharist

The liturgy of the Eucharist is where we unite our sorrow and our love with the sacrifice of Christ on the cross, made present in the Eucharist. Through Jesus truly present here on earth, we are united with our loved one in the closest way possible when we receive Holy Communion. The Liturgy of the Eucharist includes Presentation of the Gifts and Hymn, Prayer over the Offering, Eucharistic Prayer, Holy, Holy, Holy, Memorial Acclamation, Great Amen, The Lord's Prayer, Sign of Peace, Lamb of God, Communion with Hymn.

### The Final Commendation

At the conclusion of the funeral liturgy, the rite of final commendation and farewell is celebrated (145). The Final Commendation is a final farewell by the members of the community, an act of respect for one of their members, whom they entrust to the tender and merciful embrace of God. The final commendation brings closure to the funeral liturgy. It ends as the funeral began, with a Recession of the casket/urn, this time to our loved one's final resting place. The Final Commendation includes Prayer, Song of Farewell, Prayer of Commendation, and a Recessional Hymn.

## WHICH FUNERAL LITURGY IS RIGHT FOR YOU

### A Funeral Liturgy with Mass (60 Minutes) includes:

- ✓ Introductory Rites, the Liturgy of the Word, the Liturgy of the Eucharist (with Communion), and the Final Commendation.

### A Funeral Liturgy outside Mass (30 Minutes) includes:

- ✓ Includes all parts, EXCEPT the Liturgy of the Eucharist (without Communion).
- ✓ Can be celebrated at Church or funeral home.



## FUNERAL PLANNING

Planning a Funeral Liturgy involves many decisions including choosing music, scripture, and family and or friends to help with various liturgical roles. Please review each section below for a better understanding and guidelines.

### CHOOSING SACRED MUSIC

#### When Selecting Sacred Music

"Music is integral to the Funeral rites. It allows the community to express convictions and feelings that words alone may fail to convey. It has the power to console and uplift the mourners and to strengthen the unity of the assembly in faith and love. The texts of the songs chosen for a particular celebration should express the paschal mystery of the Lord's suffering, death, and triumph over death and should be related to the readings from Scripture" (OCF 30). *While favorite popular songs may hold specific meaning to the deceased and the family, this type of music is not appropriate for a Funeral Liturgy and is better used during the Vigil. Please select from the music provided.*

- ✓ **Sacred Music (Please select from the Funeral Music & Scripture Booklet)**

### CHOOSING SACRED SCRIPTURE

#### When Selecting Sacred Scripture

Sacred Scripture for funerals invites us to listen to the Word of God, which supports, consoles, and uplift the assembly. Sacred Scripture enkindles a spirit of hope in Christ's victory over death and in the Christian's share in that victory.

- ✓ **Sacred Scripture (Please select from the Funeral Music & Scripture Booklet)**

### CHOOSING PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

#### When Selecting Prayers of the Faithful

In the General Intercessions or the Prayers of the Faithful, the people respond in a certain way to the word of God, which they have welcomed in faith and, exercising the office of their baptismal priesthood, offer prayers to God for the salvation of all. It is fitting that such a prayer be included, as a rule, in Masses celebrated with a congregation, so that petitions will be offered for the holy Church, for civil authorities, for those weighed down by various needs, for all men and women, and for the salvation of the whole world (Roman Missal).

- ✓ **Prayers of the Faithful (Please select from the Funeral Music & Scripture Booklet)**



## CHOOSING FAMILY AND FRIENDS TO HELP

### **Old Testament Reader**

After the opening prayer (when everyone sits down), the reader will approach the Ambo and read God's word. After the reader says, "The Word of the Lord" and the people respond, "Thanks be to God", the reader will reverse the process and return to seated area.

### **New Testament Reader**

The reader will approach the Ambo and read God's word. After the reader says, "The Word of the Lord" and the people respond, "Thanks be to God", the reader will reverse the process and return to seated area.

### **Prayers of the Faithful Reader**

After the homily (if there is no homily hymn), the presider will invite everyone to stand for the "Prayers of the Faithful." The reader will approach the Ambo and read the "Prayers of the Faithful." After the last prayer, the reader will wait until the presider finishes his prayer and everyone sits. Then the reader will reverse the process and return to the seated area.

### **Candle-bearer**

At the start of the Funeral Liturgy, the Candle-bearer will hold the Paschal Candle by the Baptismal Font. The Candle-bearer will follow the mass coordinator to the base of the sanctuary and place the Paschal Candle in the holder; and go to the seated area.

### **Urn-bearer (s)**

At the start of the Funeral Liturgy, the Urn-bearer will hold the Urn by the Baptismal Font, while the presider blesses the Urn with Holy water. The Urn-bearer will follow the candle-bearer or mass coordinator to the base of the sanctuary and place the urn on the urn table; and go to the seated area.

### **Pallbearers**

At the start of the Funeral Liturgy, the Pallbearers will place the Pall on the Casket by the Baptismal Font. The Pallbearers will follow the candle-bearer or mass coordinator to the predella (base of the sanctuary) and place the casket perpendicular to the altar; and go to the seated area. Finally, at the end of the funeral liturgy, the funeral director will invite the Pallbearers to follow the presider to the hearse.

### **Gift-bearer (s)**

After the "Prayers of the Faithful", the mass coordinator will prepare the altar. Once finished with the preparation, the mass coordinator will lead the Gift-bearers down the center aisle to the narthex. Next, Gift-bearers will follow the mass coordinator down the center aisle to the predella and offer the gifts to the presider. Once finished, all gift-bearers bow together and return to their seated area.



**Eucharistic Minister (Must be Catholic)**

After the Sign of Peace, the Eucharistic Minister (s) will approach the altar, bow, and stand on the Ambo side of the altar. The Eucharistic Minister (Precious Body) will distribute on the opposite of the presider (usually the choir side of the altar). The Eucharistic minister will then hand the communion vessel to the funeral coordinator (will be the last person). In addition, the Eucharist Ministers (Precious Blood) will distribute at the two front corners of the predella (base of the altar).

**Words of Remembrance**

After the Processional Hymn, the presider will welcome everyone. He asks the assembly to sit for "Words of Remembrance." Next, the guest will approach the Ambo and share Words of Remembrance." Once finished with "Words of Remembrance," the guest will reverse the process and return to the seated area.

**Memoriam Slides**

Please upload all memoriam slides (in PowerPoint) to a sharable website like OneDrive or Google Drive. Next, share this link to [kfinken@paxchristi.com](mailto:kfinken@paxchristi.com). This must be completed 3 days prior to the funeral liturgy.





## WORDS OF REMEMBRANCE VS EULOGY

The Order of Christian Funerals allows Words of Remembrance, which inspires the assembly to live a life of virtue and holiness. *Words of Remembrance* are about how your loved one lived their faith life demonstrated through virtues and values.

Whereas a *Eulogy* often includes a biographical framework or praise of the deceased. A *Eulogy* is neither appropriate nor permitted during Catholic funerals. During a funeral, our praise is directed toward God in gratitude for the Risen Christ and his promise of salvation. A suitable place for a proper eulogy is, in order of preference: (1) at the conclusion of the vigil service; (2) at a reception following the funeral Mass; (3) before the funeral Mass begins; (4) following the prayers of committal at the cemetery.

## Writing Words of Remembrance

\*\*\*\**WORDS OF REMEMBRANCE MUST BE BRIEF (3-5 MIN, WHICH IS BETWEEN 400 AND 650 TYPED WORDS). PLEASE SEND TO KFINKEN@PAXCHRISTI.COM 3 DAYS PRIOR TO FUNERAL.*

### Introduction

Introduce yourself and acknowledge the other family members present, as well as business associates and friends, even if you may know everyone in the family. In the time of grief and in the nervousness of the moment, their names may elude you.

### Main body (Essence of the person)

When writing Words of Remembrance, choose one or two insights about faith and/or values that your loved demonstrated throughout his or her life. Perhaps gathering a story so that those present may be more inspired to live a better life.

The greatest temptation is to unknowingly make this more about yourself than about the deceased. It is natural to delve into your own relationship and stories with the deceased, just keep the focus on the deceased.

### Conclusion

Express the collected love for the deceased and say farewell.

### Back-up plan:

Have another person prepared to step in for you if get emotional and are unable to speak. If you have the Eulogy written out, you could also ask the priest to present it for you.



## FUNERAL DAY

On the Funeral Day, please pay special attention to the funeral timetable. Our liturgical ministers will be available to assist the family, funeral participants, and answer any questions regarding the church setup or luncheon.

### FUNERAL TIMETABLE

9:15 AM	Family Arrives
9:45 AM	Funeral Participant
10:00 AM	Visitation
11:00 AM	Funeral Liturgy
12:00 PM	Funeral Luncheon
1:15 PM	Volunteers clean tables
1:30 PM	Family Departure/Burial

### HELPFUL LINKS

**CLICK HERE for Obituaries**, <https://www.paxchristi.com/funerals>

**CLICK HERE for Livestream**, <https://www.paxchristi.com/livestream.aspx?subheadertext=Live+Stream>

**CLICK HERE for Funeral Archive**, <https://www.paxchristi.com/funeralarchive>



## LITURGICAL MINISTERS & FUNERAL HOMES

### **Presider**

The presider will lead the assembly in the funeral liturgy. If a funeral liturgy is with mass, the pastor from Pax Christi will normally lead the liturgy. If there is a family priest, they are welcome to either be the main celebrant or a concelebrant.

### **Funeral Coordinator**

The funeral coordinator is the main point of contact between the family and Pax Christi. The coordinator manages all aspects of the funeral.

### **Mass Coordinator**

The mass coordinator assists the presider during the funeral liturgy.

### **Musicians**

Pax Christi will provide the Cantor (Singer) and the Accompanist (piano) to lead the assembly in worship. The cantor plays an important ministerial role during the funeral liturgy, such as leading the hymns, acclamations, responsorial psalm, and other mass parts. If the family desires to provide a cantor, accompanist and/or additional musicians, please notify the Funeral Coordinator who will guide you through the approval process with our Director of Music and Worship.

### **Funeral Homes**

Funeral home staff must be present during the visitation and funeral service. Funeral home staff are responsible for the body or cremains, will greet your guests, manage flowers and cards (often with monetary donations), and distribute worship aids. If no funeral home is present, please ask for a list of Funeral Home Tasks.



## THE CHURCH ENVIRONMENT

### The Church

1. The Church and Sanctuary will be decorated based on the Liturgical Season.
  - a. Decorations cannot be moved for any reason nor decorations placed in the Sanctuary.
  - b. The Easter Candle, Holy Water, Pall, and Incense are used during the funeral liturgy.
2. Setup
  - a. Pax Christi will provide tissues, memorial tables, easels, and podium.

### Mother Teresa Room

This room is used by the family on the day of the funeral, which allows a place for privacy. The room has couches, chairs, table, and bathroom. Coffee and water will be available in the room.

### Flowers

1. Floral arrangements may be placed on memorial tables, Urn tables and at the base of the Sanctuary (step to the altar).
2. Please remove all floral arrangements and memorials after lunch. (We recommend designating a couple of friends to help you).

### Donating Flowers

If a family does NOT wish to keep all the flowers, please contact:

1. Bluebirds and Blooms | 952.452.9664 | [www.bluebirdsandblooms.com](http://www.bluebirdsandblooms.com)

## FUNERAL LUNCHEON

### Funeral Hospitality

Pax Christi's funeral hospitality team coordinates a funeral luncheon, which includes setup, serving, and cleanup. We provide cloth linens, corning plates, glass cups, silverware, napkins, and table decorations. We also provide Coffee, Water and Lemonade

### Luncheon

The Funeral Coordinator will order food from Costco, which includes:

1. Croissant sandwich platter, chips, pickles, vegetables, fruit, cookies, coffee, lemonade, and water.

### Leftover Food

If a family does NOT wish to keep all the food, please try one of the following:

1. Caring and Sharing Hands | 612.338.4640 | [www.sharingandcaringhands.org/](http://www.sharingandcaringhands.org/)
2. Loaves & Fishes | 612.377.9810 | [www.loavesandfishesmn.org/](http://www.loavesandfishesmn.org/)
3. Holy Rosary Church | 763.354.9617 |



## DONATIONS AND FEES

### Pax Christi

We provide a sacred space for the funeral liturgy including the presider, funeral coordinator, mass coordinator, cantor, accompanist, audio technicians, video technicians, building services, administration support, family room, kitchen, and dining room for a luncheon.

### Donations

Donations help us to defray the cost of the worship aid, cantor, accompanist, sound technician, video technician, and incurred costs. The average donation is around \$1,000.00.

### Fees

1. Luncheon
  - a. The family is responsible for the COST of the food only.
  - b. In cases of hardship, Pax Christi will provide coffee, lemonade, water, and cookies.
2. Additional Presider
  - a. Any additional presiders are welcome to celebrate the funeral liturgy. However, the presider will need prior approval by our pastor of Pax Christi.
  - b. If a family priest is NOT from the Archdiocese of Minneapolis & St. Paul, then please have the priest send a Statement of Suitability to:
    - i. Archdiocese's Chancellor of Canonical Affairs [chancellor@archspm.org](mailto:chancellor@archspm.org)
  - c. The family pays the fee to the additional presider.
3. Additional Musicians
  - a. Any additional musicians will need prior approval.
  - b. The family pays the fee to the additional musician.

### Payments

Please provide payment prior to the visitation on the day of the funeral. Please write checks payable to Pax Christi.



## MUSIC

### PROCESSIONAL HYMN, PREPARATION OF GIFTS HYMN AND RECESSIONAL HYMN

(PICK 3 SONGS AND CLICK ON LINK TO LISTEN TO SONG)

[All Creatures of Our God and King \(Modlin\)](#)

[Amazing Grace \(Traditional\)](#)

[Amazing Grace! My Chains \(Tomlin\)](#)

[Ave Maria \(Norbet\)](#)

[Ave Maria \(Schubert\)](#)

[Be Still My Soul \(Jobe\)](#)

[Children of the Heavenly \(Kallman/Olson\)](#)

[City of God \(Schutte\)](#)

[Come My Way, My Truth, My Life \(Warner\)](#)

[Come With Me into the Fields \(Schutte\)](#)

[For All The Saints \(Williams\)](#)

[Give Me Jesus \(Ortega\)](#)

[Go, Silent Friend \(Bell\)](#)

[Here I Am, Lord \(Schutte\)](#)

[Hosea \(Norbert-Lent Only\)](#)

[How Can I Keep From Singing \(Public\)](#)

[How Great Thou Art \(Hine\)](#)

[I Call You To My Father's House \(Dufner-Amazing Grace\)](#)

[I Danced in the Morning "Lord of the Dance" \(Carter\)](#)

[I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say \(Bonar\)](#)

[If You Have Faith / Si Tienen Fe \(Krisman\)](#)

[Jerusalem My Happy Home \(Buchanan\)](#)

[Lead Me, Lord \(Becker\)](#)



Let All Things Now Living (Davis)  
Lord of All Hopefulness (Struther)  
Morning Has Broken (Farjeon)  
Now the Green Blade Rises (Nouvelet-Easter)  
O God Our Help in Ages Past (Croft/Watts)  
O God, You Search Me (Farrell)  
On Eagle's Wings (Joncas)  
Prayer of St. Francis (Temple)  
Precious Lord, Take My Hand (Dorsey)  
Shall We Gather At The River (Lowry)  
Shelter Me (Joncas)  
Sing With All The Saints in Glory (Irons)  
Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling (Thompson)  
Steal Away to Jesus (Traditional)  
The Altar (Brock)  
The Day Love Brings Us Home (Hart)  
The King of Love My Shepherd Is (Baker)  
The Last Journey (Bell)  
The Servant Song (Gillard)  
Tis the Gift To Be Simple (Public)  
To Live With Him Forever (Hart/Feduccia)  
We Shall Rise Again (Young)  
We Walk By Faith (Haugen)  
You Are All We Have (O'Brien)



## RESPONSORIAL HYMN

**(PICK 1 SONG AND CLICK ON LINK TO LISTEN TO SONG)**

[Psalm 23: My Shepherd is the Lord \(Gelineau\)](#)

[Psalm 23: Shepherd Me, O God \(Haugen\)](#)

[Psalm 23: The Lord is My Shepherd \(Pishner\)](#)

[Psalm 23: You Are My Shepherd \(Stachowski\)](#)

[Psalm 27: The Lord is My Light \(Alonso\)](#)

[Psalm 27: The Lord is My Light \(Crandal\)](#)

[Psalm 40: Here I Am: Lord \(Angrisano\)](#)

[Psalm 40: Here I Am: Lord \(Cooney\)](#)

[Psalm 63: My Soul is Thirsting \(Hurd\)](#)

[Psalm 63: My Soul is Thirsting \(Joncas\)](#)

[Psalm 91: Be With Me, Lord \(Haugen\)](#)

[Psalm 121: Our Help is From the Lord \(O'Brien\)](#)

[Psalm 122: I Rejoiced When I Heard Them Say \(Warner\)](#)

[Psalm 122: Let Us Go Rejoicing \(Joncas\)](#)

[Psalm 130: Out of the Depths \(Soper\)](#)

[Psalm 130: Out of the Depths \(Walther\)](#)





## COMMUNION HYMN

**(PICK 1 SONG AND CLICK ON LINK TO LISTEN TO SONG)**

[Be Not Afraid \(Dufford\)](#)

[Bread of Angels \(Stephan\)](#)

[Do Not Let Your Hearts Be Troubled \(Feeley\)](#)

[Eye Has Not Seen \(Haugen\)](#)

[From the Many Make Us One \(Alonso/Huck\)](#)

[Gift of Finest Wheat \(Kreutz/Westendorf\)](#)

[Healer of our Every Ill \(Haugen\)](#)

[Heart of A Shepherd \(Cooney\)](#)

[Here I Am \(Booth\)](#)

[I Am The Bread of Life \(Toolan\)](#)

[I Have Loved You \(Joncas\)](#)

[In Every Age \(Whitaker\)](#)

[Jesus, Hope of the World \(Light/Tate\)](#)

[Like A Shepherd \(Dufford-Lent Only\)](#)

[Love One Another \(Alonso\)](#)

[May The Road Rise To Meet You \(True\)](#)

[Miracle of Grace \(Stephan\)](#)

[Take and Eat \(Joncas\)](#)

[Taste and See \(Angrisano\)](#)

[Taste and See \(Haugen\)](#)

[Taste and See \(Hurd\)](#)

[Taste and See \(Kendzia\)](#)

[Taste and See \(Moore\)](#)

[Taste and See \(Whitaker\)](#)

[We Remember \(Haugen\)](#)



## SONG OF FAREWELL

**(PICK 1 SONG AND CLICK ON LINK TO LISTEN TO SONG)**

[Celtic Song of Farewell \(Schaubel\)](#)

[Go Forth \(Thomson\)](#)

[Go In Peace \(Hart/Liles\)](#)

[I Know That My Redeemer Lives \(Hatton/Medley\)](#)

[I Know That My Redeemer Lives \(Soper\)](#)

[May The Angels Be Your Guide \(MacAller/McGrath\)](#)

[O Loving God \(McCoy\)](#)

[Quietly, Peacefully \(True\)](#)

[Song of Farewell \(Sands\)](#)

[The Hand of God Shall Hold You \(Haugen\)](#)



## SCRIPTURE

### OLD TESTAMENT

**(PICK 1 READING AND CLICK ON LINK TO READ PASSAGE)**

[Daniel 12:1-3 \(Many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake\)](#)

[Ecclesiastes 3:1-12^ \(For Every Season\)](#)

[Ezekiel 37:12-14 \(Vision of the Dry Bones\)](#)

[Isaiah 9:1-6 \(Have seen a great light\)](#)

[Isaiah 25:6a, 7-9^ \(He will destroy death forever\)](#)

[Isaiah 43:1-5^ \(I have called you by name\)](#)

[Isaiah 61:1-3^ \(The Anointed Bearer of Glad Tidings\)](#)

[Isaiah 65:17-21^ \(The Glorious New Creation\)](#)

[Job 19:1, 23-27a^ \(I know that my Vindicator lives\)](#)

[Lamentations 3:17-26 \(It is good to hope in silence for the saving help of the Lord\)](#)

[2 Maccabees 12:43-46 \(He acted in an excellent\)](#)

[Proverbs 31:10-13, 19-20, 25-31^ \(Poem on the Woman of Worth\)](#)

[Sirach 44:1, 10-15^ \(Praise of Israel's Great Ancestors\)](#)

[Wisdom 3:1-6, 9 \(As sacrificial offerings he took them to himself\)](#)

[Wisdom 3:1-9^ \(As sacrificial offerings he took them to himself\)](#)

[Wisdom 4:7-15^ \(An unsullied life, the attainment of old age\)](#)



## NEW TESTAMENT

(PICK 1 READING AND CLICK ON LINK TO READ PASSAGE)

[Colossians 3:12-17^ \(Clothe yourselves with love\)](#)

[1 Corinthians 13:1-13^ \(But the greatest of these is Love\)](#)

[1 Corinthians 15:20-23^ \(So too in Christ shall all be brought to life\)](#)

[1 Corinthians 15:20-28 \(So too in Christ shall all be brought to life\)](#)

[1 Corinthians 15:51-57 \(Death is swallowed up in victory\)](#)

[2 Corinthians 4:14—5:1 \(What is seen is transitory, but what is unseen is eternal\)](#)

[2 Corinthians 5:1, 6-10^ \(We have a building from God, eternal in heaven\)](#)

[Ephesians 1:3-14 \(Spiritual Blessings in Christ\)](#)

[1 John 3:1-2^ \(We shall see him as he is\)](#)

[1 John 3:14-16 \(We know that we have passed from death to life\)](#)

[Philippians 3:20-21 \(He will change our lowly bodies to conform to his glory\)](#)

[Philippians 4:4-9^ \(Joy and Peace\)](#)

[Revelation 14:13 \(Let them find rest from their labor\)](#)

[Revelation 20:11-15 \(The Large White Throne\)](#)

[Revelation 21:1-5a, 6b-7^ \(The New Heaven and the New Earth\)](#)

[Romans 5:5-11^ \(We will be saved through him from the wrath\)](#)

[Romans 5:17-21 \(Where sin increased, grace overflowed all the more\)](#)

[Romans 6:3-4, 8-9^ \(We too might live in newness of life\)](#)

[Romans 6:3-9 \(We too might live in newness of life\)](#)

[Romans 8:14-23 \(We wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies\)](#)

[Romans 8:31b-35, 37-39^ \(What will separate us from the love of Christ?\)](#)

[Romans 14:7-9, 10c-12^ \(Whether we live or die, we are the Lord's\)](#)

[1 Thessalonians 4:13-18^ \(Thus, we shall always be with the Lord\)](#)

[2 Timothy 2:8-13^ \(If we have died with him, we shall also live with him\)](#)

[2 Timothy 4:6-8^ \(I have fought the good fight\)](#)



## GOSPEL READING

**(PICK 1 READING AND CLICK ON LINK TO READ PASSAGE)**

[John 5:24-29 \(Whoever hears my word and believes has passed from death to life\)](#)

[John 6:37-40^ \(Everyone who sees the Son and believes in him may have eternal life and I shall raise him on the last day\)](#)

[John 6:51-58 \(Whoever eats this bread will live forever, and I will raise them up on the last day\)](#)

[John 11:17-27^ \(I am the resurrection and the life\)](#)

[John 11:21-27^ \(I am the resurrection and the life\)](#)

[John 11:32-45 \(Lazarus come out!\)](#)

[John 12:23-26^ \(If it dies, it produces much fruit\)](#)

[John 12:23-28 \(If it dies, it produces much fruit\)](#)

[John 14:1-6^ \(In my Father's house there are many dwellings\)](#)

[John 15:12-17^ \(Love one another as I have loved you\)](#)

[John 17:24-26 \(I wish that where I am, they also may be with me\)](#)

[John 19:17-18, 25-39 \(And bowing his head he handed over his Spirit\)](#)

[Luke 7:11-17^ \(Young man, I tell you, arise!\)](#)

[Luke 12:35-40 \(You also must be prepared\)](#)

[Luke 23:33, 39-43^ \(Today you will be with me in Paradise\)](#)

[Luke 23:44-46, 50, 52-53; 24:1-6a \(Father, into your hands I commend my spirit\)](#)

[Luke 24:13-16, 28-35^ \(Was it not necessary that the Christ should suffer these things and enter into his glory?\)](#)

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[Matthew 5:1-12a^ \(Rejoice and be glad, for your reward will be great in heaven\)](#)

[Matthew 11:25-30^ \(Come to me and I will give you rest\)](#)

[Matthew 18:1-5^ \(Unless you change and become like children\)](#)

[Matthew 25:1-13^ \(Behold the bridegroom! Come out to him!\)](#)

[Matthew 25:31-46 \(Come, you who are blessed by my Father\)](#)

[Mark 10:13-16^ \(Jesus Blesses Little Children\)](#)

[Mark 15:33-39 \(Jesus gave a loud cry and breathed his last\)](#)

[Mark 15:33-39; 16:1-6 \(Jesus gave a loud cry and breathed his last\)](#)



## PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

### For The Deceased (Pick 1)

1. In Baptism, \_\_\_\_\_, received the light of Christ. Scatter the darkness now and lead him/her over the waters of death ... we pray:
2. For \_\_\_\_\_, who received the light of Christ in Baptism, that he/she may live among the saints ... we pray:
3. For \_\_\_\_\_, who was given the promise of eternal life in Baptism; may Christ continue to love him/her into eternal life and grant him/her perfect peace ... we pray:
4. Our brother/sister \_\_\_\_\_, was nourished at the table of the Savior. Welcome him/her into the halls of the heavenly banquet ... we pray:
5. \_\_\_\_\_ ate the bread of eternal life, the Body of Christ, which was his/her strength; raise him/her up, O Lord ... we pray:
6. For \_\_\_\_\_. May he/she experience the joy of Christ in his/her risen life ... we pray:
7. In thanksgiving for the freedom from pain, and the joy which \_\_\_\_\_ is now experiencing in the presence of the God who continues to love him/her into life ... we pray:
8. For \_\_\_\_\_, and his/her family, beloved of God, that he/she be held securely in God's embrace, now and for all eternity ... we pray:
9. In thanksgiving for the life of quiet generosity which \_\_\_\_\_ so selflessly gave to his/her husband/wife/family, we pray:
10. Because we believe \_\_\_\_\_ now enjoys the fullness of life in God's presence ... we pray:
11. For the realization that \_\_\_\_\_, now shares fullness of life with his/her son/daughter, and with all his/her relatives and friends who have gone before him, ... we pray:



### For Grieving Family and Friends (Pick 1)

12. For us who mourn \_\_\_\_\_ death, that God will fill us with the peace he/she now enjoys ... we pray:
13. For \_\_\_\_\_ family and friends, that they be consoled in their grief and be comforted by Christ ... we pray:
14. For \_\_\_\_\_ family and friends who seek comfort and consolation; heal their pain, dispel the darkness, and doubt that come from grief ... we pray:
15. For \_\_\_\_\_ family and friends, especially \_\_\_\_\_, that Christ may console them in their grief ... we pray:
16. For \_\_\_\_\_ family, that our tears for him/her may be turned into dancing in the knowledge that he/she is now with the Lord ... we pray:
17. For all of us gathered here to worship in faith ... (pause) send Your Spirit, the Comforter, upon us that we may be strengthened to walk in faith and hope, and live with you till the end of time ... we pray:
18. For \_\_\_\_\_ family and all who mourn his/her death; may this time of grief pass gently on its way and may beautiful memories remain as precious keepsakes ... we pray:
19. For the resolution of conflicts in all families ... we pray:
20. For \_\_\_\_\_ family and all who mourn his/her death .... (pause); may we feel the healing power of Christ in the midst of our grief ... we pray:
21. For \_\_\_\_\_ loved ones and all who experience the tragedy of sudden or multiple losses ... (pause); may the grace of God's love sustain them in harmony and peace, ... we pray:



### **For Loved Ones Gone Before Us (Pick 1)**

22. For (name family member/s; i.e. husband/wife, son/daughter, sister/brother, etc.) who preceded him/her in death; may they all welcome him/her home into the fullness of a life that never ends ... we pray:
23. Many family members and friends have gone before us and await the Kingdom. Grant them an everlasting home with your Son ... we pray:
24. For our deceased relatives and friends and for all who have supported and guided us, that they may have the reward of their goodness ... we pray:
25. For our loved ones who have fallen asleep in the hope of rising again, especially \_\_\_\_\_ that they may see God face to face ... we pray:
26. Those who trusted in the Lord now sleep in the Lord. Give refreshment, rest, and peace to all whose faith is known to you alone ... we pray:
27. For \_\_\_\_\_ loved ones who preceded him/her in death, may they welcome him/her in heaven with open arms ... we pray:
28. For our loved ones who have gone before us, especially \_\_\_\_\_; grant them an everlasting home with Your Son, Jesus ... we pray:
29. For \_\_\_\_\_ parents and relatives who have gone before him/her and now welcome him/her home, especially \_\_\_\_\_ ... we pray:

### **For Military and Public Safety Concerns (Optional)**

30. For our church, government, and our military men and women, who are serving to maintain our freedom from oppression ... we pray:
31. For all those who have served or are currently serving in the military ... may those who place their lives on the line for others return home safely ... we pray:
32. For all those who have served or are currently serving in the military, the police, and all who work for public safety ... may those who place their lives on the line for others be kept safe ... we pray:





**For Caregivers, Medical Support and Sick (Pick 1 or 2)**

33. For all those who cared for \_\_\_\_\_ in the final weeks/months of his/her life, and for those who lovingly supported his/her family with prayers and numerous acts of kindness ... we pray:
34. For those who serve us in the medical profession, especially Hospice caregivers, that they may experience God's presence in their work ... we pray:
35. For those who so generously care for the sad, sick, and lonely ... we pray:
36. For nurses and all healthcare professionals ... (pause); may they allow God's healing touch to work through them ... we pray:
37. For all caregivers and healthcare professionals ... (pause); may they allow God's healing touch to work through them, we pray:
38. For all who suffer mental, emotional, spiritual and physical infirmities ... we pray:
39. For all those who generously and selflessly care for others ... we pray:
40. For all who are suffering with Alzheimer's/dementia and for their families and caregivers ... (pause); may they find the strength and support they need, we pray:
41. For those who are living with life threatening illnesses, especially cancer, that they may feel the peace and love of Christ ... we pray:
42. For the sincere dedication of those working towards cures for AIDS, cancer and other debilitating diseases ... we pray:
43. For the sick in our family ... (pause); may God walk alongside them and give them strength and perseverance through their adversities, we pray:
44. For all who suffer in mind or body ... (pause); may they realize that God is always with them, we pray:
45. In this time of great grief, we pray in gratitude for those who have lightened our burdens by offering support and sharing memories ... we pray:

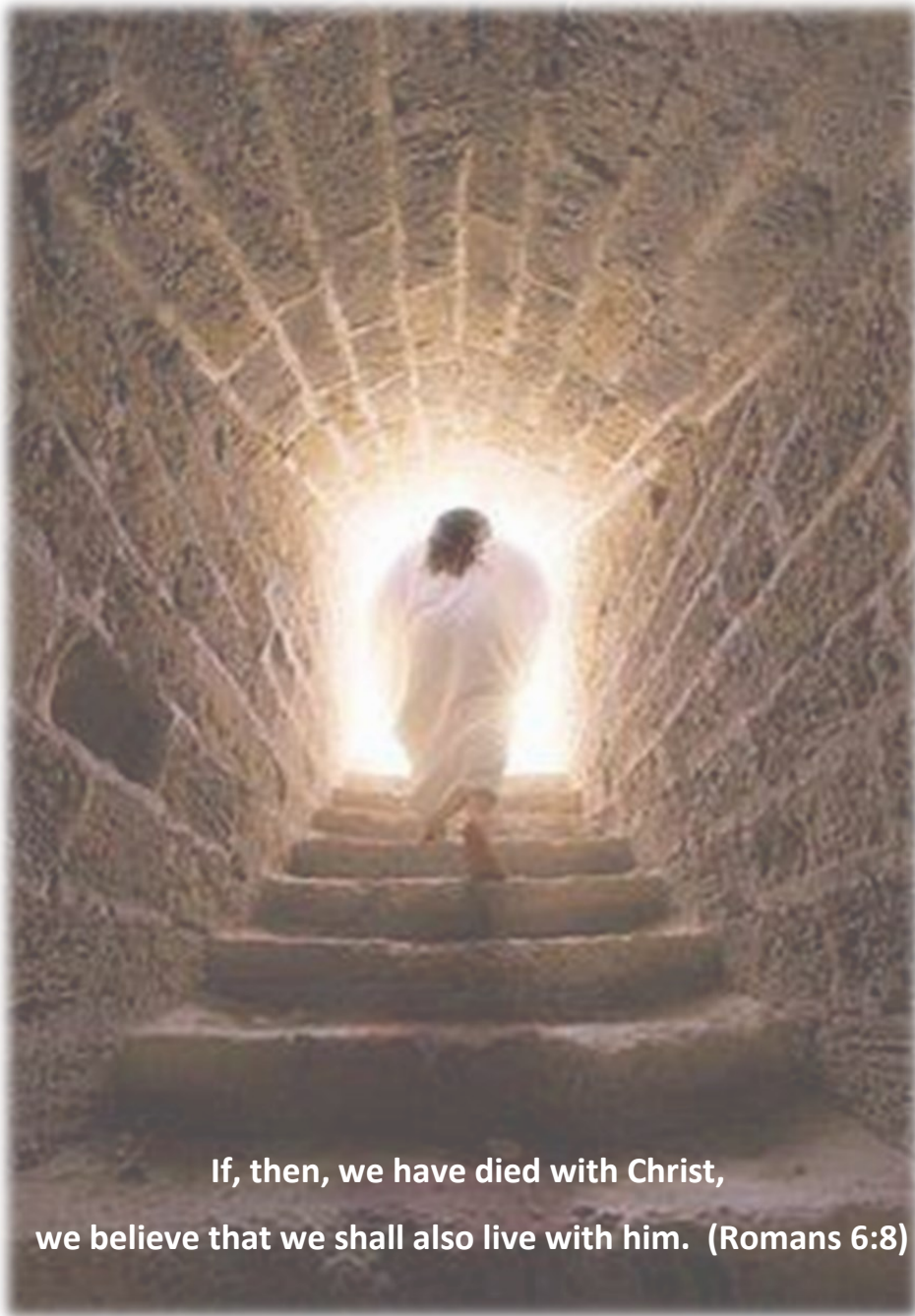


**For Church, World Other Interests (Pick 1 or 2)**

46. For the church and her leaders that the Risen Christ may continue to shepherd us ... we pray:
47. That bishops, priests, deacons and all who preach the gospel may be given the strength to express in action the word they proclaim ... we pray:
48. For the Church and its members, that we may live with deep faith in the Resurrection of Jesus and in our own Resurrection ... we pray:
49. For all those suffering loss from natural disasters, that Christ, Our Healer may accompany all as they begin life a new ... we pray:
50. For an end to all violence ... (pause); may all people be treated with respect, and all conflicts be resolved peaceably, we pray:
51. That the world experience God's peace and love ... we pray:
52. Many people die from violence, war, and famine each day. Show your mercy to those who suffer so unjustly these sins against your love and gather them to the eternal kingdom of peace ... we pray:
53. For all of the creatures with whom we share this planet ... (pause); may all the gifts of creation be treasured and safeguarded ... we pray:
54. For all those who are hurting, hungry, homeless, in need of medical care, or seeking a stronger spiritual relationship with God ... we pray:
55. For peace, that it begin in each heart and radiate throughout the world ... we pray:
56. In gratitude for all who have traveled great distances to honor's memory and for their safe return ... we pray:
57. For the gift of \_\_\_\_\_ ready wit and keen mind ... we pray:
58. In gratitude for the faithful love and joy which he/she brought to his/her many years of marriage; we pray:
59. For the gifts of continued family closeness even in difficult times ... we pray:
60. For the sharing of memories and giftedness during our grieving ... we pray:







**If, then, we have died with Christ,  
we believe that we shall also live with him. (Romans 6:8)**

