**FUNERAL GUIDELINES**

**Selection of Music**

Music is an integral part of the celebration of the Liturgy. Because a funeral celebration is an official liturgy of the church, no secular music may be used.

**Selection and Proclamation of Readings**

Someone from the family or a friend of the family is encouraged to proclaim the First Reading, Second Reading, and General Intercessions, from the pulpit, which is on the left side of the sanctuary as you face the altar. On the day of the Funeral Liturgy, the Lectionary (Book of Readings) will be used to proclaim the Word.

**Placing the Pall on the Casket**

The Mass of Christian Burial uses baptismal symbolism to speak to our hearts and increase our faith in the resurrection. At Baptism, one is sprinkled with the waters of baptism, clothed in a white garment, and given a light from the Easter Candle. Our beloved dead are sprinkled with holy water, covered with a white pall (covering) and the Easter Candle shines near the casket. Family members are invited to cover the casket with the white pall at the beginning of the funeral Rites. The funeral director will assist the family at this time.

**Presentation of Gifts**

Members of the family may bring forth the bread and wine to be used at the Mass. There will be one container of hosts, and one vessel of wine. These are the only gifts which may be brought up in the procession. If you have three or four peo­ple, two will carry the gifts while the other one or two accompany them.

**Eulogy/Words of Remembrance**

If the family chooses to have someone offer a personal reflection on the life of the deceased, it is strongly recommended that this be done either at a wake service at the funeral home or at a luncheon following the Funeral Mass. If “Words of Remembrance” are to be done in Church, only one person may offer remarks on behalf of the family. “Words of Remembrance” must be done before the Funeral Mass and are limited to three minutes. The eulogy should have a Christian theme, celebrating the person’s life journey to God. The person delivering the eulogy should be reasonably sure that he/she can do so with clarity and dignity. Again, multiple eulogies are not permitted.

**Cremation**

While the interment of the body remains the preference of the Church, after the manner of the burial of the Lord Jesus, the use of cremation is permitted according to the norms of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia. If the body is to be cremated, it is always preferable that cremation take place after the Funeral Liturgy. If the body is cremated prior to the Funeral Liturgy, the cremated remains are to be brought to the Church in a worthy vessel that is a solid and durable container.

To ensure the respect that befits the dignity of a baptized person, cremated remains must be buried in a cemetery or entombed in a mausoleum or columbarium on the grounds of a cemetery as soon as possible following the Funeral Liturgy. The period of time between the Funeral Liturgy and the burial of cremated remains is not to exceed 30 days. It is not permitted to scatter or divide cremated remains. The cremated remains of one deceased person may not be mixed with the cremated remains of another person. The integrity of the cremated remains must always be respected and any practice which impedes the reverent and proper burial/disposition is prohibited.

**LITURGY OF THE WORD**

**READING I**

**FROM THE OLD TESTMENT**

**Maccabees 12:43-46**   **(A-1)**

Judas, the ruler of Israel, took up a collection among all his soldiers, amounting to two thousand silver drachmas, which he sent to Jerusalem to provide for an expiatory sacrifice. In doing this he acted in a very excellent and noble way, inasmuch as he had the resurrection of the dead in view; for if he were not expecting the fallen to rise again, it would have been useless and foolish to pray for them in death. But if he did this with a view to the splendid reward that awaits those who had gone to rest in godliness, it was a holy and pious thought. Thus he made atonement for the dead that they might be freed from this sin.

**Job 19:1, 23-27a (A-2)**

Job answered Bildad the Shuhite and said: Oh, would that my words were written down! Would that they were inscribed in a record: That with an iron chisel and with lead they were cut in the rock forever! But as for me, I know that my Vindicator lives, and that he will at last stand forth upon the dust; Whom I myself shall see: my own eyes, not another's shall behold him; And from my flesh I shall see God; my inmost being is consumed with longing.

**Wisdom 3:1-9 (LONG FORM) (A-3 LONG)**

The souls of the just are in the hand of God, and no torment shall touch them. They seemed, in the view of the foolish to be dead; and their passing away was thought an affliction and their going forth from us, utter destruction. But they are in peace. For if before men, indeed, they be punished, yet is their hope full of immortality; Chastised a little, they shall be greatly blessed, because God tried them and found them worthy of himself. As gold in the furnace, he proved them, and as sacrificial offerings he took them to himself. In the time of their visitation they shall shine, and shall dart about as sparks through stubble; they shall judge nations and rule over peoples and the Lord shall be their King forever. Those who trust in him shall understand truth, and the faithful shall abide with him in love. Because grace and mercy are with his holy ones, and his care is with his elect.

**Wisdom 3:1-6, 9 (SHORT FORM) (A-3 SHORT)**

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**Wisdom 4:7-15 (A-4)**

The just man, though he died early, shall be at rest. For the age that is honorable comes not with the passing of time, nor can it be measured in terms of years. Rather, understanding is the hoary crown for men, and an unsullied life, the attainment of old age. He who pleased God was loved; he who lived among sinners was transported - snatched away, lest wickedness pevert his mind or deceit beguile his soul; For the witchery of paltry things obscures what is right and the whirl of desire transforms the innocent mind. Having become perfect in a short while, he reached the fullness of a long career; for his soul was pleasing to the Lord, therefore he sped him out of the midst of wickedness. But the people saw and did not understand, nor did they take this into account.

**Isaiah 25:6a, 7-9 (A-5)**

On this mountain the Lord of hosts will provide for all peoples.

On this mountain he will destroy the veil that veils all peoples.

The web that is woven over all nations; he will destroy death forever.

The Lord God will wipe away the tears from all faces;

The reproach of his people he will remove from the whole earth;

for the Lord has spoken.

On that day it will be said:

"Behold our God, to whom we looked to save us!

This is the Lord for whom we looked; let us rejoice and be glad that he has saved us!

**Lamentations 3:17-26 (A-6)**

My soul is deprived of peace, I have forgotten what happiness is; I tell myself my future is lost, all that I hoped for from the Lord. The thought of my homeless poverty is wormwood and gall; remembering it over and over leaves my soul downcast within me. But I will call this to mind, as my reason to have hope: The favors of the Lord are not exhausted, his mercies are not spent; they are renewed each morning, so great is his faithfulness. My portion is the Lord says my soul; therefore will I hope in him. Good is the Lord, to one, who waits for him, to the soul that seeks him; it is good to hope in silence for the saving help of the Lord.

**Daniel 12:1-3 (A-7)**

I, Daniel, mourned and I heard this word of the Lord: At that time there shall arise Michael, the great prince, guardian of your people; It shall be time unsurpassed in distress since nations began until that time. At that time your people shall escape, everyone who is found written in the book. Many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake; Some shall live forever, others shall be an everlasting horror and disgrace. But the wise shall shine brightly like the splendor of the firmament, and those who lead the many to justice shall be like the stars forever.

**READING I**

**FROM THE NEW TESTAMENT**

**DURING THE SEASON OF EASTER**

**Acts of the Apostles 10:34-43 (LONG FORM) (E-1 LONG)**

Peter proceeded to speak, saying: "In truth, I see that God shows no partiality. Rather, in every nation whoever fears him and acts uprightly is acceptable to him. You know the word that he sent to the children of Israel as he proclaimed peace through Jesus Christ, who is Lord of all, what has happened all over Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John preached, how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and power. He went about doing good and healing all those oppressed by the Devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses of all that he did both in the country of the Jews and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree. This man God raised on the third day and granted that he be visible, not to all the people, but to us, the witnesses chosen by God in advance, who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commissioned us to preach to the people and testify that he is the one appointed by God as judge of the living and the dead. To him all the prophets' bear witness, that everyone who believes in him will receive forgiveness of sins through his name.

**Acts of the Apostles 10:34-36, 42-43 (SHORT FORM) (E-1 SHORT)**

Peter proceeded to speak, saying: "In truth, I see that God shows no partiality. Rather, in every nation whoever fears him and acts uprightly is acceptable to him. You know the word that he sent to the children of Israel as he proclaimed peace through Jesus Christ, who is Lord of all. He commissioned us to preach to the people and testify that he is the one appointed by God as judge of the living and the dead. To him all the prophets bear witness, that everyone who believes in him will receive forgiveness of sins through his name."

**Revelation 14:13 (E2)**

I, John, heard a voice from heaven say, "Write this: Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord from now on." "Yes," said the Spirit, "let them find rest from their labors, for their works accompany them."

**Revelation 20:11-21:1 (E-3)**

I, John, saw a large white throne and the one who was sitting on it. The earth and the sky fled from his presence and there was no place for them. I saw the dead, the great and the lowly, standing before the throne, and scrolls were opened. Then another scroll was opened, the book of life. The dead were judged according to their deeds, by what was written in the scrolls. The sea gave up its dead; then Death and Hades gave up their dead. All the dead were judged according to their deeds. Then Death and Hades were thrown into the pool of fire. (This pool of fire is the second death.) Anyone whose name was not found written in the book of life was thrown into the pool of fire. Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth. The former heaven and the former earth had passed away, and the sea was no more.

**Revelation 21:1-5a:6b-7 (E-4)**

I, John, saw a new heaven and a new earth. The former heaven and the former earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. I also saw the holy city, a new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "Behold, God's dwelling is with the human race. He will dwell with them and they will be his people and God himself will always be with them as their God. He will wipe every tear from their eyes, and there shall be no more death or mourning, wailing or pain, for the old order has passed away." The One who sat on the throne said, "Behold, I make all things new." I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give a gift from the spring of life-giving water. The victor will inherit these gifts, and I shall be his God, and he will be my son."

**RESPONSORIAL PSALMS**

***Psalm 23 – Shepherd Me, O God* (B-1)**

Refrain: *Shepherd me, 0 God, beyond my wants, beyond my fears, from death into life.*

Verses:

*God is my shepherd, so nothing I shall want, I rest in the meadows of*

*faithfulness and love. I walk by the quiet waters of peace.*

*Gently you raise me and heal my weary soul, you lead me by pathways of*

*righteousness and truth, my spirit shall sing the music of your name.*

*Though I shall wander the valley of death, I fear no evil, for you are at my side,*

*your rod and your staff, my comfort and my hope.*

*You have set me a banquet of love in the face of hatred,*

*crowning me with love beyond my power to hold.*

*Surely your kindness and mercy follow me all the days of my life;*

 *I will dwell in the house of my God for evermore.*

***Psalm 25 – To You, O Lord*  (B-2)**

Refrain: *To you, O Lord, I lift my soul, to you, I lift my soul*

Verses:

*Lord, you make me know your ways, teach me your paths and*

*keep me in the way of your truth, for you are my God, my Savior.*

*For the Lord is good and righteous, revealing his way to those*

*who seek him, gently leading the poor and the humble.*

*To the ones who seek the Lord, who look to his word, who live*

 *his love, he will always be near, he will show them his mercy.*

***Psalm 27 – The Lord is My Light*  (B-3)**

Refrain: *The Lord is my light and my salvation, of whom should I be afraid, of whom should I be afraid?*

Verses:

*The Lord is my light and my help; whom should I fear?*

*The Lord is the stronghold of my life; before whom should I shrink?*

*There is one thing I ask of the Lord; for this I long; to live in the house*

*of the Lord all the days of my life.*

*I believe I shall see the goodness of the Lord in the land of the living; hope in him, and take heart. Hope in the Lord!*

***Psalm 62 - Rest in God Alone*  (B-4)**

Refrain: *Rest in God alone, rest in God alone, my soul, my soul*.

Verses:

*In God alone is my soul at rest; my help comes from him.*

*He alone is my rock, my stronghold, my fortress; I stand firm.*

*In God alone be at rest my soul; for my hope comes from him.*

*He alone is my rock, my stronghold, my fortress; I stand firm.*

*In God is my safety and glory, the rock of my strength.*

*Take refuge in God all you People. Trust him at all times.*

*Pour out your hearts before him.*

***Psalm 116 – I Will Walk in the Presence of the Lord*  (B-5)**

Refrain: *I will walk in the presence of the Lord, in the land of the living;*

 *I'll walk in the presence of the Lord.*

Verses:

*What shall I return to the Lord for all the good He has done for me?*

*The cup of salvation I will take up and call on the name of the Lord.*

*Precious in the eyes of the Lord is the love of his faithful ones.*

*I am Your servant, child of Your handmaid; You have loosed my bonds.*

*I will offer thanks and praise, and call upon Your name.*

*My vows to the Lord I will gladly pay in the presence of His people.*

**READING II**

**FROM THE NEW TESTAMENT**

**Romans 5:5-11 (C-1)**

Brothers and sisters: Hope does not disappoint, because the love of God has been poured out into our hearts, through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us. For Christ, while we were still helpless, died at the appointed time for the ungodly. Indeed, only with difficulty does one die for a just person, though perhaps for a good person one might even find courage to die. But God proves his love for us in that while we were still sinners Christ died for us. How much more then, since we are now justified by his Blood, will we be saved through him from the wrath. Indeed, if while we were enemies, we were reconciled to God through the death of his Son, how much more, once reconciled, will we be saved by his life. Not only that, but we also boast of God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.

**Romans 5:17-21 (C-2)**

Brothers and sisters: If, by the transgression of the one, death came to reign through that one, how much more will those who receive the abundance of grace and of the gift of justification come to reign in life through the one Jesus Christ. In conclusion, just as through one transgression condemnation came upon all, so, through one righteous act, acquittal and life came to all. For just as through the disobedience of the one man the many were made sinners, so through the obedience of the one the many will be made righteous. The law entered in so that transgression might increase but, where sin increased, grace overflowed all the more, so that, as sin reigned in death, grace also might reign through justification for eternal life.

**Romans 6:3-9 (LONG FORM) (C-3 LONG)**

Brothers and sisters: Are you unaware that we who were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? We were indeed buried with him through baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might live in newness of life. For if we have grown into union with him through a deathlike his, we shallalso be united with him in the resurrection. We know that our old self was crucified with him, so that our sinful body might be done away with, that we might no longer be in slavery to sin. For a dead person has been absolved from sin. If, then, we have died with Christ, we believe that we shall also live with him. We know that Christ, raised from the dead, dies no more; death no longer has power over him.

**Romans 6:3-4, 8-9 (SHORT FORM) (C-3 SHORT)**

Brothers and sisters: are you unaware that we who were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? We were indeed buried with him through baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might live in newness of life. If, then, we have died with Christ, we believe that we shall also live with him. We know that Christ, raised from the dead, dies no more; death no longer has power over him.

**Romans 8:14-23 (C-4)**

Brothers and sisters: Those who are led by the Spirit of God are sons of God. For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you received a spirit of adoption, through which we cry, Abba, "Father!" The Spirit itself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, hers of God and joint heirs with Christ, if only we suffer with him so that we may also be gloried with him. I consider that the sufferings of this present time are as nothing compared with the glory to be revealed for us. For creation awaits with eager expectation the revelation of the children of God; for creation was made subject to futility, not of its own accord but because of the one who subjected it, in hope that creation itself would be set free from slavery to corruption and share in the glorious freedom of the children of God. We know that all creation is groaning in labor pains even until now; and not only that, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, we also groan within ourselves as we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies.

**Romans 8:31b-35, 37-39 (C-5)**

Brothers and sisters: If God is for us, who can be against us? He who did not spare his own Son but handed him over for us all, will he not also give us everything else along with him? Who will bring a charge against God's chosen ones? It is God who acquits us. Who will condemn? It is Christ Jesus who died, rather, was raised, who also is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us. What will separate us from the love of Christ? Will anguish, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or the sword? No, in all these things we conquer overwhelmingly through him who loved us. For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor present things nor future things, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

**Romans 14:7-9, 10c-12 (C-6)**

Brothers and sisters, no one lives for oneself, and no one dies for oneself. For if we live, we live for the Lord, and if we die, we die for the Lord; so then, whether we live or die, we are the Lord's. For this is why Christ died and came to life, that he might be Lord of both the dead and the living. Why then do you judge your brother? Or you, why do you look down on your brother? For we shall all stand before the judgment seat of God; for it is written: As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bend before me, and every tongue shall give praise to God. So then each of us shall give an accounting of himself to God.

**1 Corinthians 15:20-28 (LONG FORM) (C-7 LONG)**

Brothers and sisters: Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep. For since death came through a human being, the resurrection of the dead came also through a man. For just as in Adam all die, so too in Christ shall all be brought to life, but each one in proper order: Christ the first fruits; then, at his coming, those who belong to Christ; then comes the end, when he hands over the Kingdom to his God and Father. For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. The last enemy to be destroyed is death, for he subjected everything under his feet. But when it says that everything has been subjected, it is clear that it excludes the one who subjected everything to him. When everything is subjected to him, then the Son himself will also be subjected to the one who subjected everything to him, so that God may be all in all.

**1 Corinthians 15:20-23 (SHORT FORM) (C-7 LONG)**

Brothers and sisters: Christ has been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. For since death came through a human being, the resurrection of the dead came also through a man. For just as in Adam all die, so too in Christ shall all be brought to life, but each one in proper order: Christ the first fruits; then, at his coming, those who belong to Christ.

**1 Corinthians 15:51-57 (C-8)**

Brothers and sisters: Behold, I tell you a mystery. We shall not all fall asleep, but we will all be changed, in an instant, in the blink of any eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, the dead will be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed. For that which is corruptible must clothe itself with incorruptibility, and that which is mortal must clothe itself with immortality. And when this which is corruptible clothes itself with incorruptibility and this which is mortal clothes itself with immortality, then the word that is written shall come about: Death is swallowed up in victory. Where, 0 death, is your victory? Where, 0 death, is your sting? The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. But thanks be to God who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

**2 Corinthians 4:14 - 5:1 (C-9)**

Brothers and sisters: We know that the One who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus and place us with you in his presence. Everything indeed is for you, so that the grace bestowed in abundance on more and more people may cause the thanksgiving to overflow for the glory of God. Therefore, we are not discouraged; rather, although our outer self is wasting away, our inner self is being renewed day by day. For this momentary light affliction is producing for us an eternal weight of glory beyond all comparison, as we look not to what is seen but to what is unseen; for what is seen is transitory, but what is unseen is eternal. For we know that if our earthly dwelling, a tent, should be destroyed, we have a building from God, a dwelling not made with hands, eternal in heaven.

**2 Corinthians 5:1, 6-10 (C-l0)**

Brothers and sisters: We know that if our earthly dwelling, a tent, should be destroyed, we have a building from God, a dwelling not made with hands, eternal in heaven. We are always courageous, although we know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord, for we walk by faith, not by sight. Yet we are courageous, and we would rather leave the body and go home to the Lord. Therefore, we aspire to please him, whether we are at home or away. For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each one may receive recompense, according to what he did in the body, whether good or evil.

**Philippians 3:20-21 (C-l1)**

Brothers and sisters: Our citizenship is in heaven, and from it we also await a savior, the Lord Jesus Christ. He will change our lowly body to conform with his glorified Body by the power that enables him also to bring all things into subjection to himself.

**Thessalonians 4:13-18 (C-12)**

We do not want you to be unaware, brothers and sisters, about those who have fallen asleep, so that you may not grieve like the rest, who have no hope. For if we believe that Jesus died and rose, so too will God, through Jesus, bring with him those who have fallen asleep. Indeed, we tell you this, on the word of the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will surely not precede those who have fallen asleep. For the Lord himself, with a word of command, with the voice of an archangel and with the trumpet of God, will come down from heaven, and the dead in Christ will rise first. Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. Thus we shall always be with the Lord. Therefore, console one another with these words.

**2 Timothy 2:8-13 (C-13)**

Beloved: Remember Jesus Christ, raised from the dead, a descendant of David: such is my gospel, for which I am suffering, even to the point of chains, like a criminal. But the word of God is not chained. Therefore, I bear with everything for the sake of those who are chosen, so that they too may obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus, together with eternal glory. The saying is trustworthy: If we have died with him, we shall also live with him; If we persevere, we shall also reign with him. But if we deny him, he will deny us. If we are unfaithful, he remains faithful, for he cannot deny himself.

**1 John 3: 1-2 (C-14)**

Beloved: See what love the Father has bestowed on us that we may be called the children of God. Yet so we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's children now; what we shall be has not yet been revealed. We do know that when it is revealed we shall be like him, for we shall see him as he is.

**1 John 3:14-16 (C-15)**

Beloved, we know that we have passed from death to life because we love our brothers. Whoever does not love remains in death. Everyone who hates his brother is a murderer, and you know that no murderer has eternal life remaining in him. The way we came to know love was that he laid down his life for us; so we ought to lay down our lives for our brothers.

**GOSPEL READINGS**

**Matthew 5:1-12a (D-1)**

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain, and after he had sat down, his disciples came to him. He began to teach them, saying:

Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Blessed are they who mourn, for they will be comforted.

Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the land.

Blessed are they who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be satisfied.

Blessed are the merciful, for they will be shown mercy.

Blessed are the clean of heart, for they will see God.

Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.

Blessed are they who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Blessed are you when they insult you and persecute you and utter every kind of evil against you falsely because of me. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward will be great in heaven.

**Matthew 11: 25-30 (D-2)**

At that time Jesus answered: I give praise to you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, for although you have hidden these things from the wise and the learned you have revealed them to the childlike. Yes, Father, such has been your gracious will. All things have been handed over to me by my Father. No one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son wishes to reveal him. Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am meek and humble of heart; and you will find rest for yourselves. For my yoke is easy, and my burden light.

**Matthew 25:1-13 (D-3)**  Jesus told his disciples this parable: "The Kingdom of heaven will be like ten virgins who took their lamps and went out to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish and five were wise. The foolish ones, when taking their lamps, brought no oil with them, but the wise brought flasks of oil with their lamps. Since the bridegroom was long delayed, they all became drowsy and fell asleep. At midnight, there was a cry, 'Behold, the bridegroom!' Come out to meet him!' Then all those virgins got up and trimmed their lamps. The foolish ones said to the wise, 'Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out'. But the wise ones replied, 'no, for there may not be enough for us and you. Go instead to the merchants and buy some for yourselves'. While they went off to buy it, the bridegroom came and those who were ready went into the wedding feast with him. Then the door was locked. Afterwards the other virgins came and said, 'Lord, Lord, open the door for us!' But he said in reply, 'Amen, I say to you, I do not know you. Therefore, stay awake, for you know neither the day nor the hour."

**Matthew 25:31-46 (D-4)**

Jesus said to his disciples: "When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, he will sit upon his glorious throne, and all the nations will be assembled before him. And he will separate them one from another, as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats. He will place the sheep on his right and the goats on his left.

Then the king will say to those on his right, 'come, you who are blessed by my Father. Inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world. For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, a stranger and you welcomed me, naked and you clothed me, ill and you cared for me, in prison and you visited me.' Then the righteous will answer him and say, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you drink? When did we see you a stranger and welcome you, or naked and clothe you? When did we see you ill or in prison, and visit you?' And the king will say to them in reply, 'Amen, I say to you, whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me.' Then he will say to those on his left, 'depart from me, you accursed, into the eternal fire prepared for the Devil and his angels. For I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me no drink, a stranger and you gave me no welcome, ill and in prison, and you did not care for me.' Then they will answer and say, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or ill or in prison, and not minister to your needs?' He will answer them, 'Amen, I say to you, what you did not do for one of these least ones, you did not do for me.' And these will go off to eternal punishment, but the righteous to eternal life."

**Mark 15:33-39; 16:1-6 (LONG FORM) (D-5 LONG)**

At noon darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon. And at three o'clock Jesus cried out in a loud voice, "Eloi, Eloi, lema sabachthani?" which is translated, "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?" Some of the bystanders who heard it said, "Look, he is called Elijah." One of them ran, soaked a sponge with wine, put it on a reed, and gave it to him to drink, saying, "Wait, let us see if Elijah comes to take him down." Jesus gave a loud cry and breathed his last. The veil of the sanctuary was torn in two from top to bottom. When the centurion who stood facing him saw how he breathed his last he said, "Truly this man was the Son of God!" When the sabbath was over, Mary Magdalen, Mary, the mother of James, and Salome brought spices so that they might go and anoint him. Very early when the sun had risen, on the first day of the week, they came to the tomb. They were saying to one another, "Who will roll back the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?" When they looked up, they saw that the stone had been rolled back; it was very large. On entering the tomb they saw a young man sitting on the right side, clothed in a white robe, and they were utterly amazed. He said to them "Do not be amazed! You seek Jesus of Nazareth, the crucified. He has been raised; he is not here. Behold the place where they laid him."

**Mark 15:33-39 (SHORT FORM) (D-5 SHORT)**

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**Luke 7: 11-17 (D-6)**

Jesus journeyed to a city called Nain, and his disciples and a large crowd accompanied him. As he drew near to the gate of the city, a man who had died was being carried out, the only son of his mother, and she was a widow. A large crowd from the city was with her. When the Lord saw her, he was moved with pity for her and said to her, "Do not weep." He stepped forward and touched the coffin; at this the bearers halted, and he said, "Young man, I tell you, arise!" The dead man sat up and began to speak, and Jesus gave him to his mother. Fear seized them all, and they glorified God, exclaiming, "A great prophet has arisen in our midst," and "God has visited his people." This report about him spread through the whole of Judea and in all the surrounding region.

**Luke 12:35-40 (D-7)**

Jesus said to his disciples: "Gird your loins and light your lamps and be like servants who await their master's return from a wedding, ready to open immediately when he comes and knocks. Blessed are those servants w home the master finds vigilant on his arrival. Amen, I say to you, he will gird himself, have them recline at table, and proceed to wait on them. And should he come in the second or third watch and find them prepared in this way, blessed are those servants. Be sure of this: if the master of the house had known the hour when the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. You also must be prepared, for at an hour you do not expect, the Son of Man will come."

**Luke 23: 33, 39-43 (D-8)**

When the soldiers came to the place called the Skull, they crucified Jesus and the criminals there, one on his right, the other on his left. Now one of the criminals hanging there reviled Jesus, saying, "Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us." The other, however, rebuking him, said in reply, "Have you no fear of God, for you are subject to the same condemnation? And indeed, we have been condemned justly, for the sentence we received corresponds to our crimes, but this man has done nothing criminal." Then he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." He replied to him, "Amen, I say to you, today you will be with me in Paradise."

**Luke 23:44-46, 50, 52-53; 24:1-6a (LONG FORM) (D-9 LONG)**

It was about noon and darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon because of an eclipse of the sun. Then the veil of the temple was torn down the middle. Jesus cried out in a loud voice, "Father, into your hands I commend my spirit"; and when he had said this he breathed his last. Now there was a virtuous and righteous man named Joseph who, though he was a member of the council, went to Pilate and asked for the Body of Jesus. After he had taken the Body down, he wrapped it in a linen cloth and laid him in a rock-hewn tomb in which no one had yet been buried. At daybreak on the first day of the week the women took the spices they had prepared and went to the tomb. They found the stone rolled away from the tomb; but when they entered, they did not find the Body of the Lord Jesus. While they were puzzling over this, behold, two men in dazzling garments appeared to them. They were terrified and bowed their faces to the ground. They said to them, "Why do you seek the living one among the dead? He is not here, but he has been raised."

**Luke 23:44-46, 50, 52-53 (SHORT FORM) (D-9 SHORT)**

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**Luke 24:13-35 (D-I0 LONG)**

That very day, the first day of the week, two of the disciples of Jesus were going to a village called Emmaus, seven miles from Jerusalem, and they were conversing about all the things that had occurred. And it happened that while they were conversing and debating, Jesus himself drew near and walked with them, but their eyes were prevented from recognizing him. He asked them, "What are you discussing as you walk along?" They stopped, looking downcast. One of them, named Cleopas, said to him in reply, "Are you the only visitor to Jerusalem who does not know of the things that have taken place there in these days?" And he replied to them "What sort of things?" They said to him, "The things that happened to Jesus the Nazarene, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, how our chief priests and rulers both handed him over to a sentence of death and crucified him. But we were hoping that he would be the one to redeem Israel; and besides all this, it is now the third day since this took place. Some women from our group, however, have astounded us: they were at the tomb early in the morning and did not find his Body; they came back and reported that they had seen a vision of angels who announced that he was alive. Then some of us went to the tomb and found things just as the women had described, but him they did not see." And he said to them, "Oh, how foolish you are! How slow of heart to believe all that the prophets spoke! Was it not necessary that the Christ should suffer these things and enter into his glory?" Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, Jesus interpreted to them what referred to him in all the Scriptures.

As they approached the village to which they were going, he gave the impression that he was going on farther. But they urged him, "Stay with us, for it is nearly evening and the day is almost over." So he went in to stay with them. And it happened that, while he was with them at table, he took bread, said the blessing, broke it, and gave it to them. With that their eyes were opened and they recognized him, but he vanished from their sight. Then they said to each other, "Were not our hearts burning within us while he spoke to us on the way and opened the Scriptures to us?"

So they set out at once and returned to Jerusalem where they found gathered together the Eleven and those with them, who were saying, "The Lord has truly been raised and has appeared to Simon!" Then the two recounted what had taken place on the way and how he was made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

**Luke 24:13-16, 28-35 (SHORT FORM) (D10 SHORT)**

That very day, the first day of the week, two of the disciples of Jesus were going to a "village called Emmaus, seven miles from Jerusalem, and they were conversing about all the things that had occurred. And it happened that while they were conversing and debating, Jesus himself drew near and walked with them, but their eyes were prevented from recognizing him. As they approached the village to which they were going, he gave the impression that he was going on farther. But they urged him, "Stay with us, for it is nearly evening and the day is almost over." So he went in to stay with them. And it happened that, while he was with them at table, he took bread, said the blessing, broke it, and gave it to them. With that their eyes were opened and they recognized him, but he vanished from their sight. Then they said to each other, "Were not our hearts burning within us while he spoke to us on the way and opened the Scriptures to us?" So they set out at once and returned to Jerusalem where they found gathered together the Eleven and those with them, who were saying, "The Lord has truly been raised and has appeared to Simon!" Then the two recounted what had taken place on the way and how he was made know to them in the breaking of the bread.

**John 5:24-29 (D-11)**

Jesus answered the Jews and said to them: "Amen, amen, I say to you, whoever hears my word and believes in the one who sent me has eternal life and will not come to condemnation, but has passed from death to life. Amen, amen, I say to you, the hour is coming and is now here and those who hear will live. For just as the Father has life in himself, so also he gave to the Son the possession of life in himself. And he gave him power to exercise judgment, because he is the Son of Man. Do not be amazed at this, because the hour is coming in which all who are in the tombs will hear his voice and will come out, those who have done good deeds to the resurrection of life, but those who have done wicked deeds to the resurrection of condemnation.

**John 6:37-40 (D-12)** Jesus said to the crowd: "Everything that the Father gives me will come to me, and I will not reject anyone who comes to me, because I came down from heaven not to do my own will but the will of the one who sent me. And this is the will of the one who sent me that I should not lose anything of what he gave me, but that I should raise it on the last day. For this is the will of my Father that everyone who sees the Son and believes in him may have eternal life, and I shall raise him on the last day."

**John 6: 51-59 (D-13)**

Jesus said to the crowd: "I am the living bread that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world." The Jews quarreled among themselves, saying. "How can this man give us his flesh to eat?" Jesus said to them, "Amen, amen, I say to you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you do not have eternal life, and I will raise him on the last day. For my flesh is true food, and my blood is true drink. Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me and I in him. Just as the living Father sent me and I have life because of the Father, so also the one who feeds on me will have life because of me. This is the bread that came down from heaven. Unlike your ancestors who ate and still died, whoever eats this bread will live forever."

**John 11: 17-27 (D-14 #1)**

When Jesus arrived in Bethany he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb for four days. Now Bethany was near Jerusalem, only about two miles away. And many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary to comfort them about their brother. When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went to meet him; but Mary sat home. Martha said to Jesus, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. But even now I know that whatever you ask of God, God will give you," Jesus said to her, "Your brother will rise." Martha said to him, "I know he will rise, in the resurrection on the last day," Jesus told her, "I am the resurrection and the life; whoever believes in me, even if he dies will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this? She said to him, "Yes, Lord I have come to believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, the one who is coming into the world."

**John 11: 21-27 (D-14 #2)**

Martha said to Jesus, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. But even now I know that what¬ever you ask of God, God will give you," Jesus said to her, "Your brother will rise." Martha said to him, "I know he will rise, in the resurrection on the last day," Jesus told her, "I am the resurrection and the life; whoever believes in me, even if he dies will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this? She said to him, "Yes, Lord I have come to believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, the one who is coming into the world."

**John 11:32-45 (D-15)**

When Mary came to where Jesus was and saw him, she fell at his feet and said to him, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died." When Jesus saw her weeping and the Jews who had come with her weeping, he became perturbed and deeply troubled, and said, "Where have you laid him?" They said to him, "Sir, come and see." And Jesus wept. So the Jews said, "See how he loved him." But some of them said, "Could not the one who opened the eyes of the blind man have done something so that this man would not have died?" So Jesus, perturbed again, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone lay across it. Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the dead man's sister, said to him, "Lord, by now there will be a stench; he has been dead for four days." Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believe you will see the glory of God?" So they took away the stone. And Jesus raised his eyes and said, "Father, I thank you for hearing me. I know that you always hear me; but because of the crowd here I have said this, that they may believe that you sent me." And when he had said this, he cried out in a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" The dead man came out, tied hand and foot with burial bands, and his face was wrapped in a cloth. So Jesus said to the crowd, "Untie him and let him go." Now many of Jews who had come to Mary and seen what he had done began to believe in him.

**John 12:23-28 (D-16 LONG)**

Jesus said to his disciples: "The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. Amen, amen, I say to you, unless a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains just a grain of wheat; but if it dies, it produces much fruit. Whoever loves his life will lose it, and whoever hates his life in this world will preserve it for eternal life. Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there also will my servant be. The Father will honor whoever serves me. I am troubled now. Yet what would I say? 'Father, save me from this hour'? But it was for this purpose that I came to this hour. Father, glorify your name." Then a voice came from heaven, "I have glorified it and will glorify it.”

**John 12:23-26 (D-16 SHORT)**

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**John 14: 1-6 (D-17)**

Jesus said to his disciples: "Do not let your hearts be troubled. You have faith in God; have faith also in me. In my Father's house there are many dwelling places. If there were not, would I have told you that I am going to prepare a place for you? And If I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back again and take you to myself, so that where I am you also may be. Where I am going you know the way." Thomas said to him, "Master, we do not know where you are going; how can we know the way?" Jesus said to him, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me."

**John 17:24-26 (D-18)**

Jesus raised his eyes to heaven and said: "Father, those whom you gave me are your gift to me. I wish that where I am they also may be with me, that they may see my glory that you gave me, because you loved me before the foundation of the world. Righteous Father, the world also does not know you, but I know you, and they know that you sent me. I made known to them your name and I will make it known, that the love with which you loved me may be in them and I in them."

**John 19:17-18, 25-39 (D-19)**

So they took Jesus, and, carrying the cross himself, he went out to what is called the Place of the Skull, in Hebrew, Golgotha. There they crucified him, and with him two others, one on either side, with Jesus in the middle. Standing by the cross of Jesus were his mother and his mother's sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene. When Jesus saw his mother and the disciple whom he loved, he said to his mother, "Woman, behold, your son." Then he said to the disciple, "Behold, our mother." And from that hour the disciple took her into his home. After this, aware that everything was now finished, in order that the Scripture might be fulfilled, Jesus said "I thirst." There was a vessel filled with common wine. So they put a sponge soaked in wine on a sprig of hyssop and put it up to his mouth. When Jesus had taken the wine, he said, "It is finished." And bowing his head, he handed over the Spirit. Now since it was preparation day, in order that the bodies might not remain on the cross on the sabbath, for the sabbath day of that week was a solemn one, the Jews asked Pilate that their legs be broken and they be taken down. So the soldiers came and broke the legs of the first and then of the other one who was crucified with Jesus. But when they came to Jesus and saw that he was already dead, they did not break his legs, but one soldier thrust his lance into his side, and immediately Blood and water flowed out. An eyewitness has testified, and his testimony is true; he knows that he is speaking the truth, so that you also may come to believe. For this happened so that the Scripture passage might be fulfilled: Not a bone of it will be broken. And again another passage says:

They will look upon him whom they have pierced. After this, Joseph of Arimathea, secretly a disciple of Jesus for fear of the Jews, asked Pilate if he could remove the Body of Jesus. And Pilate permitted it. So he came and took his Body. Nicodemus, the one who had first come to him at night, also came bringing a mixture of myrrh and aloes weighing about one hundred pounds.

**GENERAL INTERCESSIONS**

**SELECTION F-l**

For \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, who in Baptism was given the pledge of eternal life,

 that he/she may now be admitted to the company of the saints. ***Let us pray to the Lord.***

For \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, who ate the body of Christ, the bread of life,

that he/she may be raised up on the last day. ***Let us pray to the Lord.***

For and all those who have fallen asleep in the hope of rising again,

that they may see God face to face. ***Let us pray to the Lord.***

For the family and friends of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, that they may be consoled in their grief by the lord, who wept at the death of his friend Lazarus. ***Let us pray to the Lord***.

For the deceased members of the\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ family, especially \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

Grant them everlasting peace. ***Let us pray to the Lord.***

For those who suffer from chronic and terminal illness and

for those who care for them and love them. ***Let us pray to the Lord.***

Let us pray for our own needs that we hold in the silence of our hearts. (pause)

***Let us pray to the Lord.***

**SELECTION F-2**

In Baptism, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ received the light of Christ. Scatter the darkness now and

lead him/her over the waters of death to new and eternal life. ***Let us pray to the Lord.***

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ was nourished at the table of the Savior. Welcome him/her

into the halls of the heavenly banquet. ***Let us pray to the Lord.***

For our friends and family members who have died before us, especially \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

and all who were a part of his/her life. Grant them everlasting peace in the heavenly kingdom.

***Let us pray to the Lord.***

The family and friends of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ seek comfort and consolation.

Heal their pain and lighten their grief. ***Let us pray to the Lord.***

We are assembled here in faith and confidence to pray for \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

Strengthen our hope so that we may live in the expectation of your Son's coming.

***Let us pray to the Lord.***

For those who suffer from chronic and terminal illness,

and those who care for them and love them. ***Let us pray to the Lord.***

Let us pray for our own needs that we hold in the silence of our hearts. (pause)

***Let us pray to the Lord.***

**HYMN SELECTIONS FOR THE FUNERAL LITURGY**

**Procession - Opening**

*Be Not Afraid Here I am Lord*

*Eye Has Not Seen Precious Lord, Take My Hand*

*This Alone For All The Saints* (Outside Lent)

*Love Divine, All Loves Excelling Alleluia Sing to Jesus* (Outside Lent)

**Preparation of Altar and Gifts**

*Amazing Grace We Walk by Faith*

 *I Have Loved You We Will Rise Again*

 *This Alone*

INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC

**Communion**

*In Remembrance Blest Are They*

 *We Remember Gift of Finest Wheat*

 *I am the Bread of Life I Have Loved You*

 *Soul of My Savior Eat This Bread*

 *Prayer of St. Francis Come to Me*

 *You are Mine Eye Has Not Seen*

**Recessional Procession**

*How Great Thou Art O God Our Help in Ages Past*

 *We Will Rise Again On Eagles Wings*

 *Just a Closer Walk with Thee Now Thank We All Our God*

 *Joyful, Joyful, We Adore You Alleluia! The Strife is O’er* (Outside Lent)

**VERSES AND REFRAINS OF THE HYMNS**

***ALLELUIA! SING TO JESUS***

1. Alleluia! Sing to Jesus! His the scepter, his the throne;

Alleluia! His the triumph, His the victory alone;

Hark! The songs of peaceful Zion thunder like a mighty flood;

 Jesus out of ev'ry nation hath redeemed us by his blood.

1. Alleluia! King eternal, Thee the Lord of lords we own.

Alleluia! Born of Mary, Earth thy footstool, heav'n thy throne;

Thou within the veil hast entered, Robed in flesh, our great High Priest;

Thou on earth both priest and victim in the Eucharistic feast.

1. Alleluia! Alleluia! Glory be to God on high;

Alleluia to the Savior who has won the victory;

Alleluia to the Spirit, Font of love and sanctity;

Alleluia! Alleluia! To the triune majesty.

***ALLELUIA! THE STRIFE IS O'ER***

Refrain:

*Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!*

Verses

1. The strife is o'er, the battle done; Now is the Victor's triumph won;

O let the song of praise be sung: Alleluia!

1. On the third morn he rose again, Glorious in majesty to reign;

O let us sweel the joyful strain: Alleluia!

1. 0 Risen Lord, all praise to thee, Who from our sin has set us free,

That we may live eternally! Alleluia!

***AMAZING GRACE***

1. Amazing grace! How sweet the sound that saved a wretch like me!

I once was lost, but now am found, was blind but now I see.

2. 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and grace my fears relieved;

how precious did that grace appear the hour I first believed.

3. Through many dangers, toils and snares I have already come;

'Tis grace has brought me safe thus far, and grace will lead my home.

4. The Lord has promised good to me, His word my hope secured;

He will my shield and portion be as long as life endures.

5. When we've been there ten thousand years, bright shining as the sun,

We've no less days to sing God's praise than when we first begun.

 ***BE NOT AFRAID***

Refrain:

*Be not afraid. I go before you always. Come, follow me, and I will give you rest.*

Verses:

1. You shall cross the barren desert, but you shall not die of thirst.

You shall wander far in safety, though you do not know the way.

You shall speak your words in foreign lands and all will understand.

You shall see the face of God and live.

2. If you pass through raging waters in the sea, you shall not drown.

If you walk amid the burning flames, you shall not be harmed.

If you stand before the pow'r of hell and death is at your side,

know that I am with you through it all.

3. Blessed are your poor, for the kingdom shall be theirs.

Blest are you that weep and mourn, for one day you shall laugh.

And if wicked tongues insult and hate you all because of me,

 blessed, blessed are you.

***BLEST ARE THEY***

Refrain:

*Rejoice and be glad! Blessed are you, holy are you! Rejoice and be glad!*

*Yours is the Kingdom of God!*

Verses:

1. Blest are they, the poor in spirit, theirs is the kingdom of God.

Blest are they, full of sorrow, they shall consoled.

2. Blest are they, the lowly ones, they shall inherit the earth.

Blest are they who hunger and thirst, they shall have their fill.

3. Blest are they who show mercy, mercy shall be theirs.

Blest are they, the pure of heart, they shall see God!

4. Blest are they who seek peace; they are the children of God.

Blest are they who suffer in faith, the glory of God is theirs.

5. Blest are you who suffer hate, all because of me.

Rejoice and be glad, yours is the kingdom; shine for all to see.

***COME TO ME***

Refrain:

*Come to me, all who labor and are heavy burdened, and I shall give you rest. Take up my yoke and learn from me, for I am meek and humble of heart, and you'll find rest for your souls. Yes, my yoke is easy and my burden is light.*

Verses:

1. You, God, are my shepherd. I shall never be in need.

Fresh and green are the meadows where You give me rest.

2. Beside peaceful waters You restore my true self;

There You lead me to walk in the path of new life.

3. Should I be surrounded by the shadows of death,

I will not fear, for You are steadfast in Your love.

4. Before my deep hunger You spread out Your feast.

My skin You anoint with the richest of oil.

5. Pursue me, 0 God, with Your fathomless love.

In Your tent let me dwell all the days of my life.

***EAT THIS BREAD***

Refrain:

*Eat this bread, drink this cup, come to me and never be hungry.*

*Eat this bread, drink this cup, trust in me and you shall not thirst.*

Verses:

1. I am the bread of life, the true bread sent from the Father.

2. Your ancestors ate manna in the desert, but this is the bread come down from heaven.

3. Eat my flesh and drink my blood and I will raise you up on the last day.

4. Anyone who eats this bread will live forever.

5. If you believe and eat this bread, you will have eternal life.

***EYE HAS NOT SEEN***

Refrain:

*Eye has not seen, ear has not heard what God has ready for those who love him.*

*Spirit of love, come, give us the mind of Jesus; teach us the wisdom of God.*

Verses:

1. When pain and sorrow weigh us down, be near to us, 0 Lord;

forgive the weakness of our faith, and bear us up within your peaceful word.

2. Our lives are but a single breath, we flower and we fade;

yet all our days are in your hands, so we return in love what love has made.

3. To those who see with eyes of faith, the Lord is ever near, reflected in the faces of all the poor and lowly of the world.

4. We sing a mystery from the past, in halls where saints have trod; yet ever new the music rings, To Jesus living, Song of God.

***FOR ALL THE SAINTS***

1. For all the saints who from their labors rest, who you by faith

before the world confessed, Your name, 0 Jesus, be forever blest, Alleluia!

1. 0 blest communion, fellowship divine! We feebly struggle, they in glory shine;

yet all are one within your great design. Alleluia!

1. The golden evening brightens in the west; soon to the loyal faithful comes

their rest; sweet is the calm of paradise so blest. Alleluia!

1. But lo! There breaks a yet more glorious day; the saints triumphant

rise in bright array; the King of Glory passes on his way. Alleluia!

1. From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast, through gates of heav'n streams in the countless host, singing to Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Alleluia!

***GIFT OF THE FINEST WHEAT***

Refrain:

*You satisfy the hungry heart with gift of finest wheat;*

*Come, give to us, 0 saving Lord, The bread of life to eat.*

Verses:

1. As when the shepherd calls his sheep, They know and heed his voice,

 So when you call your family, Lord, We follow and rejoice.

1. With joyful lips we sing to you, Our praise and gratitude,

That you should count us worthy, Lord, To share this heavenly food.

1. Is not the cup we bless and share, The blood of Christ outpoured?

Do not one cup, one loaf, declare, Our oneness in the Lord?

1. The myst'ry of your presence, Lord, No mortal tongue can tell:

Whom all the world cannot contain, Comes in our hearts to dwell.

***HERE I AM, LORD***

Refrain:

*Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you calling in the night.*

*I will go, Lord, if you lead me. I will hold your people in my heart.*

Verses:

1. I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my people cry.

All who dwell in dark and sin my hand will save.

I who made the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright.

Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?

2. I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my people's pain.

I have wept for love for them. They turn away.

I will break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love alone.

I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send?

3. I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame.

I will set a feast for them. My hand will save.

Finest bread I will provide till their hearts be satisfied.

I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send?

***HOW GREAT THOU ART***

Refrain:

*Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee; How great thou art! How great thou art!*

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1. Lord, my God, when 1 in awesome wonderconsider all the worlds thy hand hath made.

I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder, Thy pow'r throughout the universe displayed;

2. When through the woods and forest glades I wander, And hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees; When I look down from lofty mountain grandeur And hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze;

3. 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.

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

***I AM THE BREAD OF LIFE***

Refrain:

*And I will raise you up and I will raise you up And I will raise you on the last day.*

Verses:

1. I am the bread of life. You who come to me shall not hunger and who believe

in me shall not thirst. No one can come to me unless the Father beckons.

2. The bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world,

and if you eat of this bread, you shall live forever, you shall live forever.

3. Unless you eat of the flesh of the Son of Man and drink of his blood,

and drink of his blood, you shall not have life with in you.

4. I am the resurrection, I am the life. If you believe in me, even though you die,

you shall live forever.

5. Yes, Lord, I believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God,

who have come into the world.

***I HAVE LOVED YOU***

Refrain:

*I have loved you with an everlasting love, I have called you -- and you are Mine;*

*I have loved you-- with an everlasting love, I have loved you-- and you are Mine.*

Verses:

1. Seek the face of the Lord and long for Him: He will bring His light and His peace.

2. Seek the face of the Lord and long for Him: He will bring you His joy and His hope.

3. Seek the face of the Lord and long for Him: He will bring you His care and His love.

***IN REMEMBRANCE***

1. In remembrance of me, eat this bread. In remembrance of me, drink this wine.

In remembrance of me, pray for the time when God's will is done.

2. In remembrance of me, heal the sick. In remembrance of me, feed the poor.

In remembrance of me, open the door and let you brother in, let him in.

3. Take, eat, and be comforted, Drink, and remember too,

that this is my body and precious blood, shed for you, shed for you.

4. In remembrance of me search for truth. In remembrance of me, always love.

In remembrance of me don't look above, but in your heart, in your heart.

Look in your heart for God.

5. Do this in remembrance of me. In remembrance of me.

***JOYFUL, JOYFUL, WE ADORE YOU***

1. Joyful, joyful, we adore you, God of glory, Lord of loved hearts unfold like flow'rs before you, op'ning to the sun above. Melt the clouds of sin and sadness; drive the dark of doubt away; Giver of immortal gladness, fill us with the light of day!

2. All your works with joy surround you, earth and heav'n reflect your rays, stars and angels sing around you, center of unbroken praise; field and forest,

vale and mountain, flow'ry meadow, flashing sea, chanting bird and flowing fountain, praising you eternally!

3. Always giving and forgiving, ever blessing ever blest, well-spring of the joy of living,

ocean depth of happy rest! Loving Father, Christ our brother, let your light upon us shine; teach us how to love each other, lift us to the joy divine.

4. Mortals, join the mighty chorus Which the morning stars began; God's own love is reigning o'er us, joining people hand in hand. Ever singing, march we onward, victors in the midst of strife; joyful music lifts us sunward, in the triumph song of life.

***JUST A CLOSER WALK WITH THEE***

Refrain:

*Just a closer walk with thee, Grant it, Jesus, is my plea;*

*Daily walking close to thee, Let it be, dear Lord, Let it be.*

Verses:

1. I am weak, but thou art strong; Jesus keep me from all wrong;

I'll be satisfied as long as I walk; let me walk close to thee.

2. Through this world of toil and snares, If I falter, Lord, who cares?

Who with me my burden shares? None but thee, dear Lord, none but thee.

3. When my feeble life is over, Time for me will be no more; Guide me gently, safely o'er to thy kingdom shore, to thy shore.

***LOVE DIVINE, ALL LOVES EXCELLING***

1. Love divine, all loves excelling, Joy of heav'n to earth come down!

Fix in us your humble dwelling; All your faithful mercies crown. Jesus, source of all compassion, Love unbounded, love all pure, Visit us with your salvation, Let your love in us endure.

2. Come, almighty to deliver; Let us all your life receive; Suddenly return and never, Nevermore your temples leave. Lord, we would be always blessing, Serve you as your hosts above, Pray, and praise you without ceasing, Glory in your precious love.

3. Finish then your new creation, Pure and spotless, gracious Lord; Let us see your great salvation Perfectly in you restored. Changed from glory into glory, Till in heav'n we take our place, Till we sing before the almighty, Lost in wonder, love and praise.

***NOW THANK WE ALL OUR GOD***

1. Now thank we all our God With heart and hands and voices, Who wondrous things has done, In whom this world rejoices; who from our mothers' arms has blessed us on our way with countless gifts of love, and still is ours today.

2. 0 may this bounteous God, through all our life be near us, with ever joyful hearts and blessed peace to cheer us; preserve us in his grace, and guide us when perplexed,

and free us from all ills in this world and the next.

3. All praise and thanks to God, the Father, now be given, the Son and Spirit blessed who reign in highest heaven; Eternal triune God, whom earth and heaven adore;

for thus it was, is now, and shall be evermore.

***GOD OUR HELP IN AGES PAST***

1. 0 God our Help in ages past, Our Hope for years to come, Our Shelter from the stormy blast, and our eternal Home.

2. Before the hills in order stood, Or earth received her frame, From everlasting thou art God, To endless years the same.

3. A thousand ages in thy sight Art like an evening gone;

Short as the watch that ends the night Before the rising sun.

4. Time, like an ever-rolling stream, Soon bears us all away; We fly forgotten, as a dream Dies at the op'ning day.

5. 0 God our Help in ages past, Our Hope for years to come,

Be thou our Guard while life shall last, And our eternal Home.

***SOUL OF MY SAVIOR***

1. Soul of my Savior, sanctify my breast; Body of Christ be thou my saving guest; Blood of my Savior, bathe me in thy tide; Wash me with water flowing from his side.

2. Strength and protection, may thy Passion be; o Blessed Jesus, hear and answer me;

Deep in thy wounds, Lord, hide and shelter me; So shall I never, never part from thee.

3. Hear me, Lord Jesus, listen as I pray: "Lead me from night to never ending day. Fill all the world with love and grace divine, And glory, laud, and praise be ever thine."

***ON EAGLE'S WINGS***

Refrain:

*And he will raise you up on eagle's wings, bear you on the breath of dawn, make you to shine like the sun, and hold you in the palm of his hand. And hold you in the palm of his hand.*

Verses:

1. You who dwell in the shelter of the Lord, who abide in his shadow for life, say to the Lord: "My refuge, my rock in whom I trust!"

2. The snare of the fowler will never capture you, and famine will bring you no fear; under his wings your refuge, his faithfulness your shield.

3. You need not fear the terror of the night, nor the arrow that flies by day; though thousands fall about you, near you it shall not come.

4. For to the angels he's given a command to guard you in all of your ways;

upon their hands they will bear you up, lest you dash your foot against a stone.

***PRAYER OF SAINT FRANCIS***

Refrain:

*O Master, grant that I may never seek so much to be consoled, as to console, To be understood as to understand, to be loved as to love with all my soul.*

Verses:

1. Make me a channel of your peace. Where there is hatred, let me bring your love.

Where there is injury, your pardon, Lord. And where there's doubt true faith in you.

2. Make me a channel of you peace. Where there's despair in life, let me bring hope.

Where there is darkness, only light. And where there's sadness ever joy.

3. Make me a channel of your peace. It is in pardoning that we are pardoned,

in giving of ourselves that we receive; and in dying that we're born to eternal life.

***PRECIOUS LORD, TAKE MY HAND***

1. Precious Lord, take my hand, lead me on, let me stand, I am tired, I am weak, I am worn; through the storm, through the night, lead me on to the light; take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.

2. When my way grows drear, precious Lord, linger near, when my life is almost gone;

hear my cry, hear my call, hold my hand lest I fall; take my hand, precious Lord, lead

 me home.

3. When the darkness appears and the night draws near, and the day is past and gone; at the river I stand, guide my feet, hold my hand; take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.

***THIS ALONE***

Refrain:

*One thing I ask, this alone I seek, to dwell in the house of the Lord all my days, For one day within Your temple heals ev'ry day alone. O Lord bring me to Your dwelling place.*

Verses:

 1. Hear, 0 Lord, the sound of my calling. Hear, 0 Lord, and show me Your Way.

2. The Lord is my Light, and hope of salvation. The Lord is my refuge; whom should I fear?

 3. Wait on the Lord, and hope in His mercy. Wait on the Lord, and live in His love.

***WE REMEMBER***

Refrain:

*We remember how you loved us to your death, and still we celebrate, for you are with us here; And we believe that we will see you when you come in your glory, Lord.*

*We remember, we celebrate, we believe.*

Verses:

1. Here, a million wounded souls are yearning just to touch you and be healed; Gather all your people and hold them to your heart.
2. Now we recreate your love, we bring the bread and wine to share a meal; Sign of grace and mercy, the presence of the Lord.
3. Christ, the Father's great "Amen" to all the hopes and dreams of every heart; Peace beyond all telling and freedom from all fear.
4. See the face of Christ revealed in every person standing by your side; Gift to one another and temples of your love.

***WE WALK BY FAITH***

1. We walk by faith, and not by sight; no gracious words we hear Of him who spoke as none e'er spoke, but we believe him near.
2. We may not touch his hands and side, nor follow where he trod; Yet in his promise we rejoice, and cry "My Lord and God!"
3. Help then, 0 Lord, our unbelief, and may our faith abound;

To call on you when you are near, and seek where you are found.

1. That when our life of faith is done in realms of clearer light We may behold you as you are in full and endless sight.

***WE WILL RISE AGAIN***

Refrain:

*We will run and not grow weary, for our God will be our strength,*

*and we will fly like the eagle, we will rise again.*

Verses:

1. Like a shepherd I will feed you; I will gather you with care.

I will lead you and hold you close to my heart.

2. I am gain. Strength to the weary, to the weak I am new life.

Though the young may grow weary; I will be their hope.

3. Lift up your eyes, and see who made the stars.

I lead you, and I know you; I call you each by name.

4. Fear not I am with you; I am your God. I will strengthen you,

and help you; uphold you with my hand.

***YOU ARE MINE***

Refrain:

*Do not be afraid, I am with you. I have called you each by name.*

*Come and follow me, I will bring you home; I love you and you are mine.*

Verses:

 1. I will come to you in the in the silence, I will lift you from all your fear.

You will hear my voice. I claim you as my choice, be still and know I am here.

2. I am hope for, all who are hopeless, I am eyes for all who long to see.

In the shadows of the night, I will be your light, come and rest in me.

3. I am strength for all the despairing, healing for the ones who dwell in shame.

All the blind will see, the lame will all run free and all will know my name.

4. I am the Word that leads all to freedom, I am the peace the world cannot give.

I will call your name, embracing all your pain, stand up, now walk and live