

FUNERAL SERVICE READING & HYMN SUGGESTIONS

OLD TESTAMENT

- Job 19:1, 23-27 - I know that my Redeemer lives.
- Isaiah 25:6a, 7-9 - On this mountain, the Lord will provide. God will destroy death forever.
- Isaiah 40:28-31 – Soar on wings like eagles.
- Lamentations 3:17-26 - It is good to wait in silence for the Lord God to save.
- Daniel 12:1-3 - Of those who lie sleeping in the dust of the earth many will awake.
- Ecclesiastes 3:1-8 – A time for everything.

PSALMS

- 23 - The Lord is my shepherd
- 25 - To you O Lord, I Lift Up My Soul.
- 27 - The Lord is my Light and my Salvation.
- 42 - My soul is thirsting for the living God.
- 63 - My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.
- 90 – Lord, you have been our refuge.
- 103 - The Lord is kind and merciful.
- 116 - I will walk in the presence of the Lord in the land of the living
- 121 – I look to the hills...where is my help to come from?
- 122 - I rejoiced when I heard them say: let us go to the house of the Lord.
- 130 - Out of the depths, I cry to you, Lord
- 143 - O Lord, hear my prayer.

NEW TESTAMENT (Epistle Readings)

- Acts 10: 34-43 - God has appointed Jesus to judge everyone, alive and dead.
- Romans 5:5-11 - Hope does not disappoint; having been justified by his blood, we will be saved from God's anger through him.
- Romans 5:17-21 - Where sin increased there grace abounded all the more.
- Romans 6:3-9 - Let us walk in newness of life.
- Romans 8:4-23 - We grow while we wait for the redemption of our bodies.
- Romans 8:31b-39 - Who can ever come between us and the love of Christ?
- Romans 14:7-9, 10b-12 - Whether alive or dead, we belong to the Lord
- 1 Corinthians 15:20-28 - All people will be brought to life in Christ.
- 1 Corinthians 15:51-57 - Death is swallowed up in victory.
- 2 Corinthians 4:14- 5:1 - What is seen is transitory; what is unseen is eternal.
- 2 Corinthians 5:1, 6-10 - We have an everlasting home in heaven.
- Philippians 3:20-21 - Jesus will transfigure these bodies of ours to be like his glorious body.
- 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18 - We shall stay with the Lord for ever.
- 2 Timothy 2:8-13 - If we have died with him, we shall live with him.
- 1 John 3:1-2 - We shall see God as he really is.
- 1 John 3:14-16 - We have passed from death to life, because we love our brothers and sisters.
- Revelation 7:9-17 – God will wipe away every tear from our eyes.
- Revelation 14:13 - Happy are those who die in the Lord.
- Revelation 20:11- 21: 1 - The dead have been judged according to their works.
- Revelation 21:1-5a, 6b-7 - There will be no more death.

GOSPELS

- Matthew 5:1-12 - The Beatitudes - Rejoice and be glad, for your reward will be great in heaven.
- Mathew 11:25-30 - Come to me and I will give your rest.
- Matthew 25:1-13 - Look, the bridegroom comes. Go out to meet him.
- Matthew 25:31-46 - Come, you whom my Father has blessed.
- Mark 15:33-39 - Jesus gave a loud cry and breathed his last.
- Matthew 19:13-15 – Jesus invites the little children and he blesses them.
- Luke 7:11-17 - Little one, I say to you, arise.
- Luke 12:35-40 - Be prepared.
- Luke 23:33, 39-43 - Today you will be with me in paradise. (The thief on the cross)
- Luke 23:44-46, 50, 52-53; 24:1-6a - Father, I put my life in your hands.
- Luke 24:13-35 - The Emmaus Story - Was it not necessary that the Christ should suffer and so enter into his glory?
- John 5:24-29 - Whoever hears my word and believes has passed from death to life.
- John 6:37-40 - All who believe in the Son will have eternal life and I will raise them to life again on the last day.
- John 6:51-58 - All who eat 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 11:32-45 - Lazarus, come out.
- John 12:23-28 - If a grain of wheat falls on the ground and dies, it yields a rich harvest.
- John 14:1-6, 27 - There are many rooms in my Father's house. Jesus promises peace.
- John 17:24-26 - Father, I want those you have given me to be with me where I am.
- John 19:17-18, 25-30 - Jesus bowed his head and gave up his spirit.

HYMNS

- Jesus Christ is Risen Today, Alleluia!
- I Know My Redeemer Lives
- Now Thank We All Our God
- Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound
- The Lord's My Shepherd, I'll Not Want
- Savior, Again to Thy Dear Name We Raise
- How Great Thou Art
- Jesus Christ Is Risen Today
- Children of the Heavenly Father
- For All the Saints
Lead On, O King Eternal!
- Jesus Lives! The Victory's Won!
- Just as I Am, without One Plea
- The Old Rugged Cross
- What a Friend We Have in Jesus
- Holy, Holy, Holy
- Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me
- Nearer, My God, to Thee
- I Am Jesus Little Lamb
- Beautiful Savior
- I'm But a Stranger Here
- Abide With Me
- We Know That Christ Is Raised
- You who Dwell in the Shelter of the Lord (Eagle's Wings/ Psalm 91)
- My Faith Looks Up To Thee
- I Lay My Sins On Jesus
- Jesus Sinners Doth Receive
- Lift High the Cross
- The Church's One Foundation
- I want to Walk As A Child of the Light
- I Am Trusting Thee Lord Jesus
- Go My Children with My Blessing
- Guide Me, O Thou Great Redeemer
- Day by Day Thy Mercies Doth Attend Me
- In Thee Is Gladness, Amid All Sadness
- Jesus Refuge of the Weary
- A Mighty Fortress is Our God
- Have No Fear Little Flock
- Jesus Loves Me! This I Know
- O Christ the Same (LONDONDERRY AIR/O DANNY BOY)