



## Light of Christ Funeral Planning Sheet

My Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date I filled this out \_\_\_\_\_

--None of us like to plan our funerals but think of it as a gift to your family. Unless Christ returns before your end you will need it. Many families ask too late, what would they like at their funeral.

--Fill it out as completely as you can but do not feel obligated to fill out every line.

--Remember things will change, please pick them out the best you can, knowing that other arrangements might have to be made depending on when you need to use your plans.

### Requests for People involved

Pastor(s):

Church/Location of Funeral:

Soloist:

Funeral Home/Burial Service:

I would prefer to be Cremated \_\_\_\_\_

Full Casket \_\_\_\_\_

Pall/Urn Bearers: 1)

2)

3)

4)

5)

6)

I would like \_\_\_\_\_ to speak at my funeral. (Often called a Eulogy)

\_\_\_\_\_ I don't want anyone to speak at my funeral.

Other People I want involved:

**Order of Service**

Processional Hymn \_\_\_\_\_

Opening Liturgy

Obituary

Prayer

First Lesson \_\_\_\_\_

Solo/Hymn \_\_\_\_\_

Gospel \_\_\_\_\_

Sermon

Solo/Hymn \_\_\_\_\_

Apostles Creed

Closing Prayer

Lord's Prayer

Commendation

Recessional Hymn \_\_\_\_\_

**Other Information:**

Do you want a funeral pall\* used?

Where would you like to be buried?

Do you prefer organ or piano (or other?)

Any other requests for your service or burial?

\*This is the white cloth that goes over a casket while it is in the sanctuary—it remembers Jesus' salvation covering our sins. A funeral pall cannot be used if we are doing a full flag drape for a veteran.

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## **Funeral Planning**

Remember each person and their faith journey are very different. These are not the only hymns or scriptures that are appropriate for your loved ones. The hymns that are most important are the ones that are meaningful to them and to you. However, in your time of grief these might be a good reminder or guide to what others have found meaningful.

### **Possible Scripture Readings for Funeral Services**

Psalm 23	Isaiah 12:2	John 11:17-26
Psalm 42:1-7	Isaiah 25:6-9	John 14:1-6
Psalm 46:1-7	Isaiah 40:28-31	John 20:1-18
Psalm 71:17-24	Isaiah 43:1-3	Romans 5:1-11
Psalm 90	Isaiah 44:21-23	Romans 5:17-21
Psalm 100:1-4	Isaiah 49:13-16	Romans 8:31-39
Psalm 118:1-9	Lamentations 3:22-26, 31-33	Romans 14:7-9
Psalm 121	Matthew 11:25-30	Philippians 4:4-7
Psalm 136	Matthew 25:1-13	1 John 3:1-2
Psalm 139	John 5:24-29	1 Peter 1:3-9
Psalm 143	John 3:1-16	Revelation 7:9-17
Psalm 145	1 Thessalonians 4:13-18	Revelation 21:1-6a
Job 19:23-27a	1 Corinthians 15:12-19	

### Possible Songs

Abide with Me ELW 629	In the Cross of Christ I Glory ELW 324
All Hail the Power of Jesus' name ELW 634	In the Morning when I Rise (Give Me Jesus) ELW 770
Amazing Grace ELW 779	Jesus Calls Us; O'er the Tumult ELW 696
A Mighty Fortress ELW 504	Jesus the Very Thought of You ELW 754
Beautiful Savior ELW 838	Just a Closer Walk with Thee ELW 697
Beneath the Cross of Jesus ELW 338	Just as I am, without One Plea ELW 592
Blessed Assurance ELW 638	Lift High the Cross ELW 660
Blest be the tie that binds ELW 656	My Hope Is Built on Nothing less ELW 597
Borning Cry ELW 732 (I was there to hear your borning cry)	Precious Lord, Take My Hand ELW 773
Built on a Rock ELW 652	Rock of Ages Cleft for Me ELW 623
Canticle of the Turning ELW 723	Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us ELW 789
Children of the Heavenly Father ELW 781	The Church's One Foundation ELW 645
Crown him with Many Crowns ELW 855	The King of Love My Shepherd Is ELW 502
Eternal Father, Strong to Save ELW 756	There Is a Balm in Gilead ELW 614
Great Is Thy Faithfulness ELW 733	Thine Is the Glory ELW 376
Healer of Our Every Ill ELW 612	This Is My Father's World ELW 824
Have No Fear, Little Flock ELW 764	What a Friend We Have in Jesus ELW 742
How Firm a Foundation ELW 796	When Peace Like a River ELW 785
How Great Thou Art ELW 856	You Who Dwell in the Shelter of the Lord (On Eagle's Wings) ELW 787
I Know that my Redeemer Lives! ELW 619	
I Love to Tell the Story ELW 661	
Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)	I Can Only Imagine
As the Deer	I Will Rise
Healing Rain	I'll Fly Away
His Eye Is on the Sparrow	Nearer My God to Thee