







PSALM 23 *Please read in unison*

**The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.**

**He makes me lie down in green pastures  
and leads me beside still waters.**

**He revives my soul**

**and leads me in paths of righteousness for his name sake.**

**Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,**

**I shall fear no evil; for you are with me;  
your rod and your staff, they comfort me.**

**You spread a table before me**

**in the presence of my enemies;  
you have anointed my head with oil,  
and my cup is running over.**

**Surely goodness and mercy**

**shall follow me all the days of my life,  
and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.**

[P] Let us pray.

O God of grace and glory, we remember before you today our **brother/sister, first name of deceased**. We thank you for giving **him/her** to love as a companion in our pilgrimage on earth. In your boundless compassion, console us who mourn. Give us your aid, so we may see in death the gate to eternal life, that we may continue our course on earth in confidence until, by your call, we are reunited with those who have gone before us; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

**[C] Amen**

SCRIPTURE READINGS:

**First reading**

**Pew Bible Pg. xxx**

**Second reading**

**Pew Bible Pg. xxxx**

GOSPEL: **Third reading**

**Pew Bible Pg. xxxx**

SERMON/TIME OF REMEMBRANCE

HYMN

**"Hymn Name" ..... ELW xxx**

## CREED

[P] In the assurance of eternal life given at Baptism, let us proclaim our faith and say,

**[C] I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried;  
he descended to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting.**

## THE PRAYERS

[P] Let us pray. Almighty God, you have knit your chosen people together in one communion, in the mystical body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Give to your whole Church in heaven and on earth your light and your peace. Lord in your mercy,

**[C] hear our prayer.**

[P] Grant that all who have been baptized into Christ's death and resurrection may die to sin and rise to newness of life and that through the grave and gate of death we may pass with him to our joyful resurrection. Lord in your mercy,

**[C] hear our prayer.**

[P] Grant to us who are still in our pilgrimage, and who walk as yet by faith, that your Holy Spirit may lead us in holiness and righteousness all our days. Lord in your mercy,

**[C] hear our prayer.**

[P] Grant to your faithful people pardon and peace, that we may be cleansed from all our sins and serve you with a quiet mind. Lord in your mercy,

**[C] hear our prayer.**

[P] Grant to all who mourn a sure confidence in your loving care, that, casting all their sorrow on you, they may know the consolation of your love. Lord in your mercy,

**[C] hear our prayer.**

[P] Give courage and faith to those who are bereaved, that they may have strength to meet the days ahead in the comfort of a holy and certain hope, and in the joyful expectation of eternal life with those they love. Lord in your mercy,

**[C] hear our prayer.**

[P] Help us, we pray, in the midst of things we cannot understand, to believe and trust in the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, and the resurrection to life everlasting. Lord in your mercy,

**[C] hear our prayer.**

[P] Grant us grace to entrust **first name of deceased** to your never-failing love which sustained **him/her** in this life. Receive **him/her** into the arms of your mercy, and remember **him/her** according to the favor you bear for your people. Lord in your mercy,

**[C] hear our prayer.**

[P] God of all grace, you sent your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, to bring life and immortality to light. We give you thanks because by his death Jesus destroyed the power of death and by his resurrection has opened the kingdom of heaven to all believers. Make us certain that because he lives we shall live also, and that

neither death nor life, nor things present nor things to come shall be able to separate us from your love which is in Christ Jesus our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**[C] Amen**

GREAT THANKSGIVING

[P] The Lord be with you.

**[C] And also with you.**

[P] Lift up your hearts.

**[C] We lift them to the Lord.**

[P] Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**[C] It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

[P] It is indeed right ... We praise your name and join their unending hymn:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

Holy, holy, holy Lord, Lord God of power and might;  
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest,

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come, your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread.**

**Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those who sin against us.**

**Save us from the time of trial  
and deliver us from evil.**

**For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours,**

**now and forever. Amen.**

## INVITATION TO COMMUNION

### LAMB OF GOD

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;  
have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;  
have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;  
grant us peace,--- grant us peace.

### DISTRIBUTION

*We invite everyone who believes in Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior to join us in receiving Holy Communion. Today we will receive communion by intinction. Please dip the wafer into the cup containing wine. The appropriate response to receiving the bread and wine is "Amen."*

### COMMUNION BLESSING

### COMMENDATION

[P] Let us commend **full name of deceased** to the mercy of God, our maker and redeemer.

Into your hands, O merciful Savior, we commend your servant, **first name of deceased**. Acknowledge, we humbly beseech you, a sheep of your own fold, a lamb of your own flock, a sinner of your own redeeming. Receive **him/her** into the arms of your mercy, into the blessed rest of everlasting peace, and into the glorious company of the saints in light.

[P] Let us go forth in peace.

**[C] In the name of Christ. Amen**

*Please stand.*

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*Interment will follow the service  
at \_\_\_\_\_ Cemetary.*

*The family invites you to join them for a  
reception following interment \_\_\_\_\_*

*\_\_\_\_\_.*

*We gather this day in memory of and  
to celebrate the life of our dear friend & loved one*



*Name of Deceased*

Obituary goes here.....

*Into your hands, O merciful Savior, we commend your  
servant **first name**. Receive **him/her** into the arms of your  
mercy, into the blessed rest of everlasting peace, and into the  
glorious company of the saints in light.*