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Psalm 23	<i>The Lord is My Shepherd</i>
Romans 8:31-39	<i>Nothing Can Separate Us from God's Love</i>
John 3:14-17 or John 3:16-17	<i>For God So Loved the World</i>
John 14:2-16, 19	<i>I Am the Way, the Truth, the Light</i>
John 14:1-6	<i>I Go to Prepare a Place for You</i>
Ecclesiastes 3:1-8	<i>A Time for Everything</i>
Isaiah 25:6-9	<i>God Will Wipe Away the Tears</i>
1 Corinthians 13:4-7, 11-13	<i>Love Is Patient</i>
Job 19:23-27a	<i>I Know that My Redeemer Lives</i>
Psalm 121	<i>I Lift My Eyes to the Hills</i>
Matthew 11:25-30	<i>Come to Me, All You that are Weary</i>
John 10:27-29	<i>My Sheep Hear My Voice</i>
Romans 6:3-9	<i>Baptized into Christ's Death</i>
Revelation 7:9-17	<i>Hunger and Thirst No More</i>

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PLANS FOR MY FUNERAL SERVICE

It is often difficult for families to make decisions regarding funeral arrangements at the time of the death of a loved one. In the midst of grieving, the family must make many important decisions and frequently wish that they knew the desires of the one who died. This is an opportunity for you to think about the plans for your funeral service.

You may wish to complete this booklet together with your family or a friend, Pastor Debner, or you may wish to complete it by yourself. Your willingness to share your wishes may make it easier for your spouse or family at the time of your death. The last pages of this booklet include some commonly used scripture pieces and hymns.

Additional copies are available at the church. The completed forms will be kept on permanent file in the church office. You may also wish to make a copy for your family.

Date: _____

FULL NAME: _____

Address: _____

Phone #: _____

If someone helped you complete this, who?

Persons to be notified at the time of your death: (please include current phone number)

May the church contact these people at the time of your death?

___yes ___no

FUNERAL HOME to be used for arrangements:

Do you already have arrangements made with that funeral home?

___yes ___no

These are some of the more popular hymns. It is certainly not a complete listing and other hymns could also be appropriate and could be used. If you are unsure if something is appropriate, please check with Pastor Debner.

How Great Thou Art	ELW 856
Amazing Grace	ELW 779
Rock of Ages	ELW 623
Old Rugged Cross	
Borning Cry	ELW 732
On Eagle's Wings	ELW 787
In the Garden	
What A Friend	ELW 742
Children of the Heavenly Father	ELW 781
Great is Thy Faithfulness	ELW 733
Lift High the Cross	ELW 660
Blessed Assurance	ELW 638
My Faith Looks Up to Thee	ELW 759
Beautiful Savior	ELW 838
Precious Lord Take My Hand	ELW 773
I Know That My Redeemer Lives	ELW 619
Abide With Me	ELW 629
Just As I Am	ELW 592
Softly and Tenderly	ELW 608
Nearer My God	ELW 608

**ELW refers to Evangelical Lutheran Worship*

Would you like HOLY COMMUNION included?

yes no

Would you prefer piano or organ?

Please circle one.

MEMORIALS to be given to:

NOTES

Signature: _____

May the church staff share these plans with the funeral home?

yes no

FUNERAL SERVICE to be conducted at what church?

Do you prefer: *(check all that apply)*

- visitation with casket open
- visitation with casket closed
- funeral with casket present
- visitation/service with casket present, cremation following
- memorial service with cremains (ashes) present
- memorial service without cremains or casket
- graveside services

Casketbearers and their relationship to you *(up to 6)*

Do you have arrangements made with a cemetery?

yes no

If yes, which one? (Name and City)

SIGNIFICANT FAMILY FACTS

Place of birth _____

Birthdate _____

Parents _____

Spouse(s) _____

Sibling(s) _____

Child(ren) _____

Wedding date _____

Education _____

Employment _____

Hobbies _____

HYMNS YOU WOULD LIKE TO HAVE USED AT THE FUNERAL

See list of commonly used hymns—please attach copy of music if not found in the ELW. Often 3-4 selected

SCRIPTURE PASSAGES YOU WOULD LIKE TO HAVE USED AT THE FUNERAL

See list of commonly used scripture pieces — please attach a copy of any readings or poems that are not found in the Bible.

SOME THOUGHTS I think would be important to express in my funeral sermon or some words of comfort I would like to have said to my family and friends:

OTHER THOUGHTS, PREFERENCES OR IDEAS

Attach additional sheet if necessary.
