

## SUGGESTIONS FOR FUNERAL READINGS

### PSALMS:

Psalm 23:1-6	Psalm 27:1-13	Psalm 34:1-9, 17-22	Psalm 42:1-5
Psalm 46:1-7	Psalm 73: 23-29	Psalm 84:1-12	Psalm 90:1-17
Psalm 109:1-22	Psalm 118:1-9, 15-29	Psalm 121: 1-8	Psalm 130: 1-7
Psalm 139:1-18	Psalm 143: 1-12	Psalm 145:1-21	Psalm 146:1-9

### LESSONS: OLD TESTAMENT

Deuteronomy 30:19-20a	“choose life...”
Job 19:23-27a	“I know that my Redeemer lives...”
Ecclesiastes 3:1-14	“A time for everything under heaven...”
Song Of Solomon 8: 6-7	“love is stronger than death...”
Job 19: 23-27a	“I know that my redeemer lives...)
Isaiah 25:6-9	“he will swallow up death forever...”
Isaiah 61:1-3	“the Sprit anointed me to bring good tidings....”
Lamentations 3:22-26, 31-33	(child)

### LESSONS: NEW TESTAMENT

Romans 5:1-11	“While we were yet helpless...”
Romans 5:17-21	“by one man came death, by one man came life...”
Romans 8:31-39 (31-5 &37-9)	“Nothing can separate us from the love of God...”
Romans 14:7-9	“Whether we live or die we are the Lord’s”
I Corinthians 15:12-26, 50-58	“Resurrection of the body”
I Thessalonians 4:13-18	“the dead shall rise first...”
I Peter 1:3-9	“Born anew to a living hope..”
I John 3:1-2	(child)
Revelation 7:9-12, 9-17	“Who is this host arrayed in white...”
Revelation 14:13	“Blessed is the dead who die in the Lord...”
Revelation 21:2-7	“New Jerusalem...”

### GOSPEL

Matthew 9:18-19	Jairus’ daughter
Matthew 11:28-30	“Come to me all who labor...”
Matthew 25: 1-13	Ten maidens
Mark 10:13-16	“Let the little children come to me...”
Luke 2:25-38, 29-35	“Jesus brought to Simeon, let your servant depart in peace”
Luke 7:11-17	Widow’s son
Luke 12:35-40	“Be ready, the Son of man is coming unexpectedly..”
John 5:24-29	“He who believes has eternal life...”
John 6:35-40	“I will raise them up on the last day...”
John 11:25-27	“I am the Resurrection...”
John 14:1-6	“I go to prepare a place for you...”

## MUSIC

### HYMNS: ELW

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| #366 | <i>The Strife is O'er, the Battle Done</i>  | #654 | <i>The Church's One Foundation</i>          |
| #367 | <i>Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds</i> | #660 | <i>Lift High the Cross</i>                  |
| #376 | <i>Thine is the Glory</i>                   | #661 | <i>I Love to Tell the Story</i>             |
| #380 | <i>Hallelujah! Jesus Lives!</i>             | #666 | <i>What Wondrous Love is This?</i>          |
| #392 | <i>Alleluia! Sing to Jesus</i>              | #671 | <i>Shine Jesus Shine</i>                    |
| #396 | <i>Spirit of Gentleness</i>                 | #728 | <i>Blest Are They</i>                       |
| #422 | <i>For All the Saints</i>                   | #732 | <i>Borning Cry</i>                          |
| #423 | <i>Shall We Gather at the River</i>         | #733 | <i>Great is They Faithfulness</i>           |
| #437 | <i>On Jordan's Stormy Bank I Stand</i>      | #742 | <i>What a Friend We Have in Jesus</i>       |
| #439 | <i>Soon and Very Soon</i>                   | #759 | <i>My Faith Looks Up to Thee</i>            |
| #459 | <i>Wade in the Water</i>                    | #763 | <i>My Life Flows On</i>                     |
| #502 | <i>The King of Love My Shepherd is</i>      | #764 | <i>Have No Fear, Little Flock</i>           |
| #504 | <i>A Mighty Fortress</i>                    | #767 | <i>Lord Take My Hand and Lead Me</i>        |
| #536 | <i>God Be with You Till We Meet Again</i>   | #770 | <i>Give Me Jesus</i>                        |
| #543 | <i>Go My Children with My Blessing</i>      | #773 | <i>Precious Lord, Take My Hand</i>          |
| #574 | <i>Here I Am</i>                            | #779 | <i>Amazing Grace</i>                        |
| #581 | <i>You Are Mine</i>                         | #780 | <i>Shepherd Me O God</i>                    |
| #595 | <i>Jesus Loves Me</i>                       | #781 | <i>Children of the Heavenly Father</i>      |
| #597 | <i>My Hope is Built on Nothing Less</i>     | #785 | <i>When Peace Like a River</i>              |
| #608 | <i>Softly and Tenderly</i>                  | #787 | <i>On Eagle's Wings</i>                     |
| #611 | <i>I Heard the Voice of Jesus</i>           | #789 | <i>Savior Like a Shepherd Lead Us</i>       |
| #613 | <i>Thy Holy Wings</i>                       | #790 | <i>Day by Day</i>                           |
| #619 | <i>I Know that My Redeemer Lives</i>        | #815 | <i>I Want to Walk as a Child</i>            |
| #623 | <i>Rock of Ages</i>                         | #817 | <i>You Have Come Down to the Lake Shore</i> |
| #624 | <i>Jesus, Still Lead On</i>                 | #838 | <i>Beautiful Savior</i>                     |
| #627 | <i>O Day Full of Grace</i>                  | #860 | <i>Jesus Lifted Me</i>                      |
| #629 | <i>Abide with Me</i>                        | #890 | <i>Battle Hymn of the Republic</i>          |
| #631 | <i>Love Divine, All Loves Excelling</i>     |      |   |
| #632 | <i>O God Our Help in Ages Past</i>          |      |   |
| #634 | <i>All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name</i>    |      |   |
| #638 | <i>Blessed Assurance</i>                    |      |   |

### OTHER:

*In the Garden*  
*The Old Rugged Cross*  
*I'll Fly Away*  
*Lord's Prayer*  
*I Can Only Imagine*  
*Ten Thousand Reasons*  
*Hymn of Promise*  
*Come to Jesus*  
*Amazing Grace, My Chains are Gone*