# Order of Service

#### **Introduction and Opening Prayers**

**All:** **Merciful Father, hear our prayers and comfort us; renew our trust in your Son, whom you raised from the dead; strengthen our faith that all who have died in the love of Christ will share in his resurrection; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.**  **Amen**

**Hymn:** Praise, my soul, the King of heaven,

to his feet thy tribute bring;

ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven,

who like me his praise should sing?

Alleluia, Alleluia,

praise the everlasting King.

Praise him for his grace and favour

to our fathers in distress;

praise him still the same as ever,

slow to chide and swift to bless:

Alleluia, Alleluia,

glorious in his faithfulness.

Father-like, he tends and spares us,

well our feeble frame he knows;

in his hands he gently bears us,

rescues us from all our foes:

Alleluia, Alleluia,

widely as his mercy flows.

Angels, help us to adore him;

ye behold him face to face;

sun and moon, bow down before him,

dwellers all in time and space:

Alleluia, Alleluia,

praise with us the God of grace.

**The Scriptural Reading**

**The Eulogy**

**The Prayers and Lord’s Prayer:**

## Each section concludes:

Lord, in your mercy

***All: hear our prayer.***

## After the final section:

All: God of mercy, entrusting into your hands all that you have made and rejoicing in our communion with all your faithful people, we make our prayers through Jesus Christ our Saviour. Amen.

**Hymn:** The Lord's my Shepherd, I'll not want;

he makes me down to lie -

in pastures green; he leadeth me -

the quiet waters by.

My soul he doth restore again,

and me to walk doth make -

within the paths of righteousness,

e'en for his own name's sake.

Yea, though I walk through death's dark vale,

yet will I fear no ill;

for thou art with me, and thy rod -

and staff me comfort still.

My table thou hast furnished

in presence of my foes;

my head thou dost with oil anoint ,

and my cup overflows.

Goodness and mercy all my life

shall surely follow me;

and in God's house, for evermore

my dwelling place shall be.

**Commendation, Closing Prayers and Blessing**