# Order of Service

*Opening music:*  *Smile* sung by Tony Bennett

#### **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**

**The 23rd Psalm**

1 The Lord is my shepherd; therefore can I lack nothing.

2 He makes me lie down in green pastures

and leads me beside still waters.

3 He shall refresh my soul and guide me

in the paths of righteousness for his name’s sake.

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

I will fear no evil;

for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

5 You spread a table before me

in the presence of those who trouble me;

you have anointed my head with oil and my cup shall be full.

6 Surely goodness and loving mercy

shall follow me all the days of my life,

and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

**Music:** *Because you loved me* by Celine Dion

**The Scriptural Reading:** 1 Corinthians 13

**The Eulogy**

**Reflection:** *This is all I ask*sung by Tony Bennett

**The Prayers:**

## 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.

The Lord’s Prayer

**Our Father, who art in heaven,**

**hallowed be thy name;**

**thy kingdom come; thy will be done;**

**on earth as it is in heaven.**

**Give us this day our daily bread.**

**And forgive us our trespasses,**

**as we forgive those who trespass against us.**

**And lead us not into temptation;**

**but deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory,**

**for ever and ever. Amen.**

**Commendation, Closing Prayers and Blessing**

Recessional music: Delilah sung by Tom Jones