Order of Service

Introit music: *[possibly to be supplied by family – or omit this line]*

#### **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**

**All:** 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.

**The Scriptural Reading:** John 14. 1-6

**The Eulogy** including poem chosen by Barbara’s grandchildren

**The Prayers and Lord’s Prayer:**

*After “Lord, in your mercy”, please respond by saying: “****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.

I watch the sunrise lighting the sky,

casting its shadow near;

and on this morning, bright though it be,

I feel those shadows near me.

*But you are always close to me, following all my ways.*

*May I be always close to you, following all your ways, Lord.*

I watch the sunlight shine through the clouds

warming the earth below;

and at the mid-day life seems to say:

"I feel your brightness near me."

*But you are always close to me ...*

I watch the sunset fading away

lighting the clouds with sleep;

and as the evening closes its eyes

I feel your presence near me.

But you are always close to me ...

I watch the moonlight guarding the night,

waiting till morning comes.

The air is silent, earth is at rest -

only your peace is near me.

*But you are always close to me ...*

**The Commendation and Blessing:** *(please remain standing)*

**All: Heavenly Father, in your Son Jesus Christ you have given us a true faith and a sure hope. Strengthen this faith and hope in us all our days, that we may live as those who believe in the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins and the resurrection to eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

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