

# Gathering up Treasure



## A Liturgy of Loving Remembrance...

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### Opening Responses

Reader Jesus said, "I am the living bread come down from heaven,  
Anyone who eats of this bread will live forever"

ALL LORD, GIVE US THIS LIVING BREAD  
AND DRAW US INTO YOUR ETERNAL LIFE

Reader Jesus said, "I am the living water,  
Whoever drinks of me has a wellspring  
Welling up to eternal life"

ALL LORD, GIVE US YOUR LIVING WATER  
LET YOUR LIFE WELL UP IN US  
DRAWING US TO ETERNAL LIFE

Reader Jesus said, "I am the Good Shepherd.  
The shepherd who lays his life down for his sheep"

ALL LORD, BE OUR GOOD SHEPHERD.  
WHEN WE WALK THROUGH VALLEYS OF SHADOW –  
WHEN WE WALK THROUGH THE VALLEY OF DEATH  
BE WITH US WITH YOUR CROOK AND YOUR STAFF  
AND LEAD US TO THE DAWN OF ETERNAL LIFE

Reader Jesus said, "I am the gate of the sheepfold  
All who enter through me will be safe"

ALL LORD, WELCOME US THROUGH YOUR GATEWAY  
GUIDE US AND GUARD US  
AND DRAW US INTO YOUR KEEPING IN ETERNAL LIFE.

Reader Jesus said, "I am the resurrection and the life,  
Anyone who believes in me shall live for ever"

ALL LORD, WE BELIEVE,  
HELP OUR UNBELIEF.

HELP US TO SEE IN YOU OUR PROMISE OF RESURRECTION

HELP US TO SEE IN YOU OUR PROMISE OF ETERNAL LIFE.

## Scripture Reading

Suggestions: Matthew 6: 19-21; 2 Corinthians 4: 6-15

## Reflection

This would be an appropriate time to reflect on the life of the person who has died - click [here](#) for ideas

## Closing Responses

Reader We have gathered in your name, Lord

ALL BE WITH US IN OUR PARTING

Reader We have prayed for our brother/sister ..... (name)

And for ourselves

ALL CHERISH OUR PRAYER, LORD,

COMFORT OUR GRIEVING

AND HONOUR OUR REMEMBERING:

ENFOLD OUR BROTHER/ SISTER IN YOUR MERCY

AND BRING HIM/ HER TO HIS/ HER INHERITANCE OF ETERNAL LIFE

Reader We have gathered in your name, Lord

ALL BE WITH US IN OUR PARTING

Reader We have gathered up treasures from the life of our brother/ sister

And place them in your keeping

ALL HOLD THEM,

BLESS THEM,

(CONSECRATE THEM);

PLACE THEM IN THE ETERNAL TREASURY –

FOR YOUR SERVANT TO FIND AS HIS TREASURE

LAID UP IN HEAVEN –

WHERE NOTHING CAN DESTROY OR DIMINISH

FOR ALL IS HELD IN YOUR GRACIOUSNESS

AND NOTHING THAT IS GOOD CAN BE LOST.

Reader We have gathered in your name, Lord

ALL BE WITH US IN OUR PARTING

**Reader** We pray for the week ahead:  
Its joys and its sorrows –  
For our community  
And those who will join us in mourning the passing of our brother/ sister .....

**ALL** MAY OUR CHURCH AND OUR HEARTS BE OPEN  
TO WELCOME IN HOSPITALITY OUR GRIEVING BROTHERS AND SISTERS  
AND MAY OUR SORROW BE GENTLE  
AS WE COMMEND OUR BROTHER/ SISTER  
TO THE TENDERNESS AND THE MERCY OF GOD.

**Reader** We have gathered in your name, Lord  
**ALL** BE WITH US IN OUR PARTING

**Reader** And so, may God bless us  
**ALL** THE FATHER, THE SON AND THE HOLY SPIRIT

**Reader** And until we meet again  
**ALL** MAY GOD HOLD US IN THE PALM OF HIS HAND  
AMEN

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