My Christian Funeral

So my family and my pastor will know what I want.
Keep this inside the front cover of the Bible you read.

Pastor Chris Ramstad, All Saints' Day 2026: a Christian funeral is the last witness a believer gives. When families sit down to plan one, they most often say, "We don't know what they wanted." Write it down, and your story will point everyone to Jesus.

Name _____

Date written _____ Phone _____

Baptized on _____ at _____

Confirmation verse _____

BIBLE READINGS

Old Testament _____

Psalm _____

Epistle _____

Gospel _____

Pastor chose Isaiah 25, Psalm 46, Ephesians 2:8–9 and John 20. Other favorites at funerals: Psalm 23, John 11:25–26, John 14:1–6, Romans 8:31–39, 1 Corinthians 15:51–57, Revelation 7:9–17.

HYMNS

LSB _____ _____

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Please don't sing _____

Most funerals have three to eight hymns. Pastor's: 826 Hark, the Voice of Jesus Crying · 763 When Peace, like a River · 457 Jesus Christ Is Risen Today · 461 I Know That My Redeemer Lives (all eight stanzas) · 336 Lo, He Comes with Clouds Descending.

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WHAT I'D LIKE TO WEAR

Pastor's choice: his white pastor's robe and the red stole his wife placed on him at his ordination, with a cross.

OTHER WISHES

For example: burial or cremation, the cemetery, who might read or serve as pallbearers, a memorial gift in place of flowers.

THE STORY I WANT TOLD

Pastor's last note: "I want my funeral service to tell a story. Not my story, but Christ crucified and risen." Who brought you to Jesus? What promise of God has carried you?

"God will wipe away every tear from their eyes." Revelation 7:17

At a Christian funeral, a white pall is laid over the casket to remember Baptism, when Christ clothed us in his own righteousness. Give a copy to Pastor or the church office, and tell your family where your Bible is.

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