A Service of Thanksgiving to God for the Life of David Carter Puckett February 27, 2016

Opening Sentences

Collect

First Reading Wisdom 3:1-5, 9

Psalm 23

The Lord is my shepherd;

I shall not want.

He maketh me to lie down in green pastures;

he leadeth me beside the still waters.

He restoreth my soul;

he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his

Name's sake.

Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,

I will fear no evil:

for thou art with me;

thy rod and thy staff, they comfort me.

Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of

mine enemies;

thou anointest my head with oil;

my cup runneth over.

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days

of my life,

and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

Second Reading Revelation 7: 9-17

Sequence Hymn Amazing Grace

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Gospel John 10: 11-16

Homily Fr. Craig J. Lister

The Prayers

For our brother, David, let us pray to our Lord Jesus Christ who said," I am Resurrection and I am Life." Lord, you consoled Martha and Mary in their distress; draw near to us who mourn for David, and dry the tears of those who weep.

Hear us, Lord.

You wept at the grave of Lazarus, your friend; comfort us in our sorrow.

Hear us, Lord.

You raised the dead to life; give to our brother eternal life.

Hear us, Lord.

You promised paradise to the thief who repented; bring our brother to the joys of heaven. *Hear us. Lord.*

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Our brother was washed in Baptism and anointed with the Holy Spirit; give him fellowship with all your saints.

Hear us, Lord.

He was nourished with your Body and Blood; grant him a place at the table in your heavenly kingdom.

Hear us, Lord.

Comfort us in our sorrows at the death of our brother; let our faith be our consolation, and eternal life our hope.

The Peace

Holy Communion

Postcommunion Prayer

Almighty God, we thank you that in your great love you have fed us with the spiritual food and drink of the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ, and have given us a foretaste of your heavenly banquet. Grant that this Sacrament may be to us a comfort in affliction, and a pledge of our inheritance in that kingdom where there is no death, neither sorrow nor crying, but the fullness of joy with all your saints; through Jesus Christ our Savior. *Amen*.

The Commendation

The Blessing

Closing Hymn Lift High the Cross

See page 4 for words and music

Those Serving

Celebrant: Fr. Craig Lister

Organist: Rosemary Parten

Readers: Margaret Puckett Maier and Mary Puckett

Chalice Bearers: Dana Garrett and JJ Cuff

Ushers: Ron Hewett

Amazing grace



The melody may be sung in canon at distances of either two or three beats.

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Lift high the cross



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