

David Cranor, Graveside Funeral

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God is Good

Psalm 27.13-14

I would have lost heart, unless I had believed

That I would see the goodness of the Lord in the land of the living.

Wait on the Lord; Be of good courage,

And He shall strengthen your heart;

Wait, I say, on the Lord!

God is our Protector

Isaiah 41.10

Fear not, for I am with you;

Be not dismayed, for I am your God.

I will strengthen you,

Yes, I will help you,

I will uphold you with My righteous right hand.

God is our Provider

Psalm 23

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.

He makes me lie down in green pastures.

He leads me beside still waters.

He restores my soul.

He leads me in paths of righteousness for his name's sake.

Even 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.

You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies;

You anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life,

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

Assurance of the Resurrection

2 Corinthians Chapter 5, Verses 1 - 8

For we know that if our earthly house, this tent, is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens. For in this we groan, earnestly desiring to be clothed with our habitation which is from heaven, if indeed, having been clothed, we shall not be found naked. For we who are in this tent groan, being burdened, not because we want to be unclothed, but further clothed, that mortality may be swallowed up by life. Now He who has prepared us for this very thing is God, who also has given us the Spirit as a guarantee. So we are always confident, knowing that while we are at home in the body we are absent from the Lord. For we walk by faith, not by sight. We are confident, yes, well pleased rather to be absent from the body and to be present with the Lord.

Burial Rite

In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

Almighty God, who has knit together Your elect in one

communion and fellowship, in the mystical body of Your Son Christ our Lord: Grant, we beseech You, to Your whole Church in paradise and on earth, Your light and Your peace. Amen.

Grant that all who have been baptized into Christ's death and resurrection may die to sin and rise to newness of life, and that through the grave and gate of death we may pass with Him to our joyful resurrection. Amen.

Grant to us who are still in our pilgrimage, and who walk as yet by faith, that Your Holy Spirit may lead us in holiness and righteousness all our days. Amen.

Grant to Your faithful people pardon and peace, that we may be cleansed from all our sins, and serve You with a quiet mind. Amen.

Grant to all who mourn a sure confidence in Your fatherly care, that, casting all their grief on You, they may know the consolation of Your love. Amen.

Give courage and faith to those who are bereaved, that they may have strength to meet the days ahead in the comfort of a reasonable and holy hope, in the joyful expectation of eternal life with those they love. Amen.

Help us, we pray, in the midst of things we cannot understand, to believe and trust in the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, and the resurrection to life everlasting. Amen.

Grant us grace to entrust David to Your never-failing love; receive him into the arms of Your mercy, and remember him according to the favor which You pour out to Your people. Amen.

Grant that, increasing in knowledge and love of You, he may go from strength to strength in the life of perfect service in Your heavenly kingdom. Amen.

Grant us, with all who have died in the hope of the resurrection, to have our consummation and bliss in Your eternal and everlasting glory, and, with David and all Your saints, to receive the crown of life which You promise to all who share in the victory of Your Son Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Please, All Stand to Pray

In sure and certain hope of the resurrection to eternal life through our Lord Jesus Christ, we commend to Almighty God our brother David; and we commit his body to the ground;

Earth to earth, ashes to ashes, dust to dust. The Lord bless
him and keep him, the Lord make His face to shine upon him
and be gracious to him, the Lord lift up His countenance
upon him and give him peace. Amen.

Our Father, who art in heaven,

hallowed be Your Name,

Your kingdom come,

Your will be done,

on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our debts,

as we forgive our debtors.

And lead us not into temptation,

but deliver us from the evil one.

For Yours is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,

for ever and ever. Amen.

Finally, brethren, farewell. Become complete. Be of good comfort, be of one mind,
live in peace; and the God of love and peace will be with you.