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PRELUDE:

Sung as a solo by the choir or soloist as the family enters the church.

If there is no vocalist or choir, the prelude will be instrumental (organ).

#645 Amazing Grace

#683 Be Not Afraid

#679 Center of My Life

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#782 Only This I Want

#717 Shelter Me O God

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#519 Sing to The Mts

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GATHERING HYMNS:

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#539 Sing With all The Saints in Glory (tune= Ode to Joy)

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RESPONSORIAL PSALMS:

#35 Psalm 23 Shepherd Me O God

#1021 Psalm 27 The Lord Is My Light and My Salvation (chanted)

#39 Psalm 25 To You, O Lord

#1020 Psalm 116 I Will Walk in The Land of the Living (chanted)

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#910 Shepherd of Souls

#930 Taste and See

#586 You Are All We Have

INCENSING OF THE CASKET or URN: - sung by the choir or soloist

#510 Jesus Remember Me

#692 May The Angels (Joncas)

#980 May the Angels Lead You Into Paradise (Hughes)

#981 The Hand Of God Shall Hold You

RECESSIONAL HYMNS:

#645 Amazing Grace

#576 Canticle of The Sun (vs. 6 needed to be appropriate)

#766 City of God

#884 For All the Saints

#777 Here I am Lord

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#663 Lord of All Hopefulness

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#689 Though the Mts May Fall

#871 We Shall Rise Again

#680 We Walk by Faith

CHOIR SOLOS:

Ave Maria – Motet

Be Thou My Vision

Come O Jesus Come To Me (Veni, Veni Amor Mi)

Jesus, Jesus Come to Me

Jesus My Lord, My God, My All

O Lord I am Not Worthy

On This Day O Beautiful Mother

Panis Angelicus – Motet

Seek Ye First

Soul Of My Savior

NOTE: These vocals require a soloist

Ave Maria (Shubert)

Panis Angelicus (Franck

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