## A WORD TO THE MOURNING FAMILY

"But I do not want you to be ignorant, brethren, concerning those who have fallen asleep, lest you sorrow as others who have no hope. For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so God will bring with Him those who sleep in Jesus." 1 Thess. 4:13-14

The above words of the Apostle Paul apply to you as they have applied, and will apply, to all Christians of every generation. You are saddened when you think of losing your loved one. But you are not without hope. You know that Jesus rose again from the dead. And you have God's own assurance that He will raise up all who trust in Jesus as their LORD and Savior. So today you will not be saying "good-bye" to Sharon, but rather, "till we meet again" in the eternal joy and bliss of our heavenly home. May God comfort you with that assurance.

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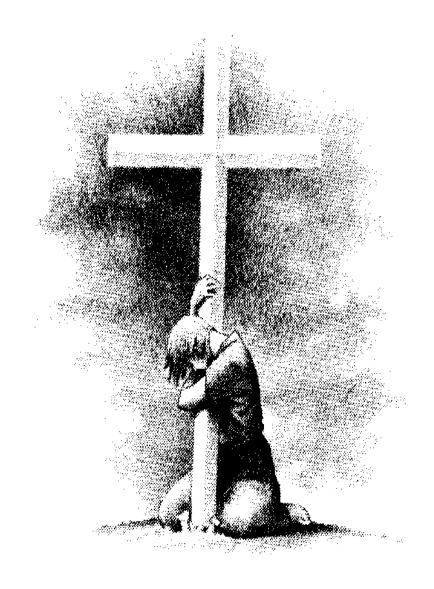
## A WORD TO THE WORSHIPPERS

You have come to show your last respects to a fellow Christian who has departed this life. You have come to share the sorrows of the grieving family. But above all, you have come to worship the LORD our God Who has given us the victory through the death and resurrection of our LORD Jesus Christ.

As the Triune God welcomes a person into His fellowship through Holy Baptism and sustains their faith through the preaching of the Word and the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper, so at death the voice of our Savior God is heard again. In the Christian funeral service the church proclaims its glorious assurance of the resurrection of the dead through our Lord Jesus Christ. Jesus said;

"I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in Me, though he may die, he shall live. And whoever lives and believes in Me shall never die" John 11:25-26

# What a Friend we have in Jesus



All our sins and griefs to bear!

### SHAR ON SUE WEBER

#### A FUNERAL SERVICE

Celebrating the Victory of Jesus Christ over Sin and Death 2:00 p.m. Saturday, September 3, 2011 in Clarkston, WA St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church – CLC Pastor Dave Naumann Organist Donna Lowary

THE INVOCATION

THE PRAYER

HYMN 552:1-2 "Abide With Me"

THE EXHORTATION (with Hymn 552:3-8)

## THE COMFORT OF OUR GOOD SHEPHERD'S WORD

PSALM 23

Pastor: The LORD is my shepherd;

Congregation: I shall not want.

P: He maketh me to lie down in green pastures;

C: He leadeth me beside the still waters.

P: He restoreth my soul;

C: He leadeth me in the paths of righteousness For His name's sake.

P: Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil;

C: For Thou are with me; Thy rod and Thy staff, they comfort me.

P: Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies;

C: Thou anointest my head with oil; My cup runneth over.

P: Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life;

C: And I will dwell in the house of the LORD Forever.

## **SERMON**

Psalm 130:5-7 I wait for the LORD, my soul waits, And in His word I do hope. My soul waits for the Lord More than those who watch for the morning; Yes, more than those who watch for the morning. O Israel, hope in the LORD; For with the LORD there is mercy, And with Him is abundant redemption.

Theme: "WORTH THE WAIT. For Sharon and for us!"

HYMN 457 "What a Friend We Have in Jesus"

THE PRAYERS

THE BENEDICTION

**CLOSING HYMN - 644** 

Praise God from Whom all blessings flow Praise Him all creatures here below. Praise Him above ye heav'nly host Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

\* \* SILENT PRAYER \* \*



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

Cremation has taken place and a possible interment may take place at a later date. On behalf of the family, we wish to express appreciation for your many kindnesses evidenced in word and deed, and for your attendance at this service of victory in Christ Jesus.

Please join us after the service for refreshments.