

C: Amen

P: Let us go forth in peace.

C: In the name of Christ. Amen.

Savior Like a Shepard Lead Us

Postlude

Deborah Phillipsen

Jeanette Reitan

*God saw you getting tired
And a cure was not to be.
So He Put His arms around you
And whispered "Come with Me."*

*With tearful eyes we watched you suffer
And slowly fad away.
Although we loved you dearly,
We could not make you stay.*

*A golden heart stopped beating,
Playing hands now at rest.
God broke our hearts to prove to us
'He only takes the best'.*

(This little poem was chosen by Stew-Glenn)

Matthew's family thanks you for your love, prayers and support during this very difficult time. The family invites you to join them following this service at Eternal Valley for the Commendation. Then immediately following we will be having a Celebration Luncheon at Osborne Neighborhood Church, 13501 Osborne St., Arleta. The family hopes that everyone in attendance will be able to join them. Directions are on the back table in the narthex.

Service

October 7, 2005

Calvary Lutheran Church

8800 Woodman Avenue

Arleta, CA 91331

Prelude

Jeanette Reitan

Children of the Heavenly Father

Deborah Phillipsen

Welcome

Pastor Bill

P: In the name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

Amen

P: Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the source of all mercy and the God of all consolation. He comforts us in all our sorrows so that we can comfort others in the sorrows with the consolation we ourselves have received from God

C: Thanks be to God

P: When we were baptized in Christ Jesus, we were baptized into his death. We were buried therefore with him by Baptism into death, so that as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might live a new life. For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we shall certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his.

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray.

P: O God of grace and glory, we remember before you Matthew Keller. We thank you for giving him to us to know and to love as a companion in our pilgrimage on earth. In your boundless compassion, console us who mourn. Give us your aid, so we may see in death the gate to eternal life, that we may continue our course on earth in confidence until, by your call, we are reunited with those who have gone before us; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

P: O God, your days are without end and your mercies cannot be counted. Make us aware of the shortness and uncertainty of

human life, and let your Holy spirit lead us in holiness and righteousness all the days of our life, so that, when we shall have served you in our generation, we may be gathered to our ancestors, having the testimony of a good conscience, in the communion of your Church, in the confidence of a certain faith, in the comfort of a holy hope, in favor with you, our God, and in peace with all humanity; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

P: Alleluia. Jesus Christ is the firstborn of the dead; to him be glory and power forever and ever.

C: Amen.

P: God has made us his people through our Baptism into Christ. Living together in trust and hope, let the people of God say, "Jesus is Lord!" (Three times).

C: Jesus is Lord! Jesus is Lord! Jesus is Lord!

The following songs will be sung by the children of Osborne Neighborhood Church-----*Jesus Loves Me, Clap Your Hands- Stomp Your Feet and Jumbo*

P: Let us pray.

P: Almighty God, you have knit your chosen people together in one communion, in the mystical body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Give to your whole Church in heaven and on earth your light and your peace.

C: Hear us, Lord.

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.

C: Hear us, Lord.

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.

C: Hear us, Lord.

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

C: Hear us, Lord.

Grant to all who mourn a sure confidence in your loving care, that, casting all their sorrow on you, they may know the consolation of your love.

C: Hear us, Lord.

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

C: Hear us, Lord.

P: 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.

C: Hear us, Lord.

P: Grant us grace to entrust Matthew to your never-failing love which sustained him in this life. Receive him into the arms of your mercy, and remember him according to the favor you bear for your people.

C: Hear us, Lord.

P: Listen now to the Word of God	Pastor Stan
John 14:1-6	1 Thessalonians 4:13-18
Have No Fear, Little Flock	Deborah Phillipsen
Scriptures	Pastor Stan
Jeremiah 29:11-14	2 Samuel 12: 13-23
Visitor From Heaven	Deborah & Garth Phillipsen
A Time of Remembrance	Pastor Bill and Pastor Stan
	Family and Friends
Slide Presentation	Deonna Armijo
Psalms 23	Congregation
Jesus Loves the Little Children	Deborah Phillipsen
Prayers	Pastor Bill
The Lord's Prayer (sung)	Congregation
Commendation	Pastor Bill
P: Into your hands, O merciful Savior, we commend your servant, Matthew. Acknowledge, we humbly beseech you, a sheep of your own fold, a lamb of your own flock, a sinner of your own redeeming. Receive him into the arms of your mercy, into the blessed rest of everlasting peace, and into the glorious company of the saints in light.	