

Services for a Funeral – Three

A service of Thanksgiving for one who has died

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have mercy upon us and bring us your peace.
When we are cast down or low in spirit,
keep us safe in your love
awaiting the day when we will know again
the possibility of joy.

God of all creation,

We give thanks that *they* were such a person
that we are moved to grief and sorrow by *their* loss.
Help us, through *their* death,
to see more clearly the significance of life
and to grasp more firmly the hope
that we are more than our years
and that love is stronger than death.

We pray for ourselves,
disturbed by the great mystery of death,
facing the questions it raises and the loss it brings.
We pray that we will not be overwhelmed,



Living God,
in the mystery of your eternity,
we are not separated from ...
for your love holds us together.
While we live *they* will not be forgotten among us.
