ORDER FOR COMMITTAL SERVICE FOR A CHILD

Standing near the head of the casket, or, having reached the place of committal, the minister will use one or more of the following Sentences:

Sentences

I am the resurrection and the life; he who believes in me, though he die, yet shall he live, and whoever lives and believes in me shall never die.

John 11:25

We brought nothing into the world, and we cannot take anything out of the world.

I Timothy 6:7

The Lord gave, and the Lord has taken away; blessed be the name of the Lord.

Job 1:21b

Thou dost keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on thee, because he trusts in thee.

Isaiah 26:3

The eternal God is your dwelling place,
And underneath are the everlasting arms.

Deuteronomy 33:27a

Then the minister shall say:

To almighty God we commend this child, looking for the general resurrection in the last day, and the life of the world to come, through Jesus Christ; at whose second coming again in glorious majesty to judge the world, the earth and the sea shall give up their dead; and the corruptible bodies of those who sleep in him shall be changed and made like unto his glorious body; according to the working whereby he is able to subdue all things to himself.

Prayer

Let us pray.
O God, our heavenly Father, who hast taught us that the angels of the little ones do always behold thy face in heaven, open our eyes, we pray, that we may perceive that thou hast now taken this child into the arms of thy love, and that thy mercy endures forever; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*Then the minister shall say:*

But we would not have you ignorant, brethren, concerning those who are asleep, that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have fallen asleep.

*1 Thessalonians 4:13, 14*

**Benediction**

Now the God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great Shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, equip you with everything good that you may do his will, working in you that which is pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ; to whom be glory forever and ever. And the blessing of God Almighty, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit be and abide with you always. Amen.