

Memorial Service

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W M & May we pause at this time to pay tribute to the memory of our sisters and brothers who have been called to join the great Order above.

March Music

Sisters, chaplain and marshal, you will present yourselves in the west.

(Chaplain back of the Altar and Marshal back of Esther.)

Sister Secretary, do you have names to read in memory?

Secretary: During the past year our hearts have been saddened by the passing of:

Only a short while and we too shall be called. Let us be faithful that, when our summons comes, we shall be prepared to enter into everlasting joy.

Star points go to where the marshal is standing with her flowers and ferns, and take them as she gives them to them, and while the Secretary is reading the tribute to each.

Secretary reads: Adah's lesson in memory dear, is of those who were faithful, year after year.

Ruth's tribute is a memory of Truth and Love

Of those who were faithful and are now gone above.

Esther reminds us that justice will reign

Ever on high where all meet again.

Martha reflects a promise of peace we may share

With all the loved ones we'll find waiting there.

Electa's lesson tells us that love's reward will be won

And that flowers will bloom in that land of the sun.

The star points get to the marshal by going just as they do in balloting. (Same order) After they are back in their north and south line, the marshal leaves her place back of Esther and takes her right place in the line as in the opening march. Esther goes to the foot of the north line and the A.M. goes to the foot of the south line in the place of the warder. The treasurer and secretary go to their proper place in line and W.M. takes the place of the Chaplain, The conductresses take their places at the head of the lines and lead the lines into the formation of a cross as in opening except that the cross faces the altar.

Worthy Patron reads:

In all things we are more than conquerors thru Him that loved us.

For I am persuaded that neither death nor life, nor angels nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come shall separate us from the love of God. (Call up the chapter while the chaplain leads in prayer.) (Seat the chapter after prayer.)

A march Conductresses seat the officers, the lines going as in the regular hymn seating.

Chaplain's prayer: Our Father in Heaven, we turn to Thee in this hour of memory. Give us strength and grace to continue in Faith in Thee in time of trials. May this service draw us closer and may we serve Thee more acceptably. Give us assurance that with Thee all is well. We ask this in the Master's name. Amen