

This Sunday, June 30th at 10:30 am

In Memoriam: A Final Commendation

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CHRIST'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

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For the anniversary of death 1948-1977
Please bring these crosses to
the church on the day of the anniversary

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