

Memorial/Funeral Services at St. Paul's **Family Handout**

Rite I or Rite II *(Choose 1)*

First you must choose which Rite you would like used for the service.

There are two choices for the Burial Services in the Episcopal Church, Rite I and Rite II. Rite I is more traditional with traditional language (thee's and thou's). Rite II is more modern with modern language.

A sample prayer from the Rite I Burial Service:

I am the resurrection and the life, saith the Lord;
he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live;
and whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die.

I know that my Redeemer liveth,
and that he shall stand at the latter day upon the earth;
and though this body be destroyed, yet shall I see God;
whom I shall see for myself and mine eyes shall behold,
and not as a stranger.

For none of us liveth to himself,
and no man dieth to himself.
For if we live, we live unto the Lord.
and if we die, we die unto the Lord.
Whether we live, therefore, or die, we are the Lord's.

Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord;
even so saith the Spirit, for they rest from their labors.

A sample prayer from the Rite II Burial Service:

I am Resurrection and I am Life, says the Lord.
Whoever has faith in me shall have life,
even though he die.
And everyone who has life,
and has committed himself to me in faith,
shall not die for ever.

As for me, I know that my Redeemer lives
and that at the last he will stand upon the earth.
After my awaking, he will raise me up;
and in my body I shall see God.
I myself shall see, and my eyes behold him
who is my friend and not a stranger.

For none of us has life in himself,
and none becomes his own master when he dies.
For if we have life, we are alive in the Lord,
and if we die, we die in the Lord.

So, then, whether we live or die,
we are the Lord's possession.

Holy Eucharist

Next you must decide if you would like to have the Holy Eucharist celebrated (also known as communion).

A service with Holy Eucharist will be about 1 hour. A service without Holy Eucharist will be about 30 minutes.

In the Episcopal Church anyone baptized in any Christian community may receive communion. You do not have to be an Episcopalian to receive communion. We receive both the bread and wine, but no one is required to receive the wine.

The Readings

You also need to pick Scripture readings.

1. Please choose three readings: One from the Old Testament, one from the New Testament and one from the Gospels.
2. Please choose 1 psalm.
3. The Old and New Testament readings can be read by readers of your choosing, or the celebrant can find readers for you.
4. The psalm can be read by one person or said together by the entire congregation.
5. The Gospel is read by the Celebrant.

First Reading: From the Old Testament *(Choose 1.)*

Isaiah 25:6-9

On this mountain the LORD of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wines, of rich food filled with marrow, of well-aged wines strained clear. And he will destroy on this mountain the shroud that is cast over all peoples, the sheet that is spread over all nations; he will swallow up death forever. Then the Lord GOD will wipe away the tears from all faces, and the disgrace of his people he will take away from all the earth, for the LORD has spoken. It will be said on that day, Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him, so that he might save us. This is the LORD for whom we have waited; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation

Isaiah 61:1-3

The spirit of the Lord GOD is upon me, because the LORD has anointed me; he has sent me to bring good news to the oppressed, to bind up the broken-hearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and release to the prisoners; to proclaim the year of the LORD's favor, and the day of vengeance of our God; to comfort all who mourn;

Lamentations 3:22-26, 31-33

The steadfast love of the LORD never ceases, his mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness. 'The LORD is my portion,' says my soul, 'therefore I will hope in him.' The LORD is good to those who wait for him, to the soul that seeks him. It is good that one should wait quietly for the salvation of the LORD. For the Lord will not reject for ever. Although he causes grief, he will have compassion according to the abundance of his steadfast love; for he does not willingly afflict or grieve anyone.

Wisdom 3:1-5, 9

But the souls of the righteous are in the hand of God, and no torment will ever touch them. In the eyes of the foolish they seemed to have died, and their departure was thought to be a disaster, and their going from us to be their destruction; but they are at peace. For though in the sight of others they were punished, their hope is full of immortality. Having been disciplined a little, they will receive great good, because God tested them and found them worthy of himself; Those who trust in him will understand truth, and the faithful will abide with him in love, because grace and mercy are upon his holy ones, and he watches over his elect.

Job 19:21-27a

Have pity on me, have pity on me, O you my friends, for the hand of God has touched me! Why do you, like God, pursue me, never satisfied with my flesh? 'O that my words were written down! O that they were inscribed in a book! O that with an iron pen and with lead they were engraved on a rock for ever! For I know that my Redeemer lives, and that at the last he will stand upon the earth; and after my skin has been thus destroyed, then in my flesh I shall see God, whom I shall see on my side, and my eyes shall behold, and not another. My heart faints within me!

The Psalm (*Choose 1*)**Psalm 42** *Quemadmodum*

Like as the hart desireth the water-brooks, *
 so longeth my soul after thee, O God.
 My soul is athirst for God, yea, even for the living God; *
 when shall I come to appear before the presence of God?
 My tears have been my meat day and night, *
 while they daily say unto me, Where is now thy God?
 Now when I think thereupon, I pour out my heart by myself; *
 for I went with the multitude, and brought them forth into the house of God;
 Why art thou so full of heaviness, O my soul? *
 and why art thou so disquieted within me?
 O put thy trust in God; *
 for I will yet thank him, which is the help of my countenance, and my God.

Psalm 46 *Deus noster refugium*

God is our hope and strength, *
 a very present help in trouble.
 Therefore will we not fear, though the earth be moved, *
 and though the hills be carried into the midst of the sea;
 Though the waters thereof rage and swell, *
 and though the mountains shake at the tempest of the same.
 There is a river, the streams whereof make glad the city of God, *
 the holy place of the tabernacle of the Most Highest.
 God is in the midst of her,
 therefore shall she not be removed; *
 God shall help her, and that right early.
 Be still then, and know that I am God; *
 I will be exalted among the nations,
 and I will be exalted in the earth.
 The LORD of hosts is with us; *
 the God of Jacob is our refuge.

Psalm 90 *Domino, refugium*

LORD, thou hast been our refuge, *
 from one generation to another.
 Before the mountains were brought forth,
 or ever the earth and the world were made, *
 thou art God from everlasting, and the world without end.
 Thou turnest man to destruction; *
 again thou sayest, Come again, ye children of men.
 For a thousand years in thy sight are but as yesterday when it is past, *
 and as a watch in the night.
 As soon as thou scatterest them they are even as a sleep, *
 and fade away suddenly like the grass.
 In the morning it is green, and groweth up; *
 but in the evening it is cut down, dried up, and withered.
 For we consume away in thy displeasure, *
 and are afraid at thy wrathful indignation.
 Thou hast set our misdeeds before thee, *
 and our secret sins in the light of thy countenance.
 For when thou are angry all our days are gone; *
 we bring our years to an end, as it were a tale that is told.
 The days of our age are threescore years and ten;
 and though men be so strong that thy come to fourscore years, *
 yet is their strength then but labor and sorrow,
 so soon passeth it away, and we are gone.
 So teach us to number our days, *
 that we may apply our hearts unto wisdom.

Psalm 121 *Levavi oculos*

I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills; *
 from whence cometh my help?
 My help cometh even from the LORD, *
 who hath made heaven and earth.
 He will not suffer thy foot to be moved, *
 and he that keepeth thee will not sleep.
 Behold, he that keepeth Israel *
 shall neither slumber nor sleep.
 The LORD himself is thy keeper; *
 the LORD is thy defence upon thy right hand;
 So that the sun shall not burn by day, *
 neither the moon by night.
 The LORD shall preserve thee from all evil; *
 yea, it is even he that shall keep thy soul.
 The LORD shall preserve thy going out, and thy coming in, *
 from this time forth for evermore.

Psalm 130 *De profundis*

Out of the deep have I called unto thee, O LORD; *
 Lord, hear my voice.
 O let thine ears consider well *

the voice of my complaint.
 If thou, LORD, wilt be extreme to mark what is done amiss, *
 O Lord, who may abide it?
 Fore there is mercy with thee, *
 therefore shalt thou be feared.
 I look for the LORD; my soul doth wait for him; *
 in his word is my trust.
 My soul fleeth unto the Lord before the morning watch; *
 I say, before the morning watch.
 O Israel, trust in the LORD,
 for with the LORD there is mercy, *
 and with him is plenteous redemption.
 And he shall redeem Israel *
 from all his sins.

Psalm 139 *Domine, probasti*

O LORD, thou hast searched me out, and known me. *
 Thou knowest my down-sitting and mine up-rising;
 thou understandest my thoughts long before.
 Thou art about my path, and about my bed, *
 and art acquainted with all my ways.
 For lo, there is not a word in my tongue, *
 but thou, O LORD, knowest it altogether.
 Thou hast beset me behind and before, *
 and laid thine hand upon me.
 Such knowledge is too wonderful and excellent for me; *
 I cannot attain unto it.
 Whither shall I go then from thy Spirit? *
 or whither shall I go then from thy presence?
 If I climb up into heaven, thou art there; *
 if I go down to hell, thou art there also.
 If I take the wings of the morning, *
 and remain in the uttermost parts of the sea;
 Even there also shall thy hand lead me, *
 and thy right hand shall hold me.
 If I say, Peradventure the darkness shall cover me, *
 then shall my night be turned to day.
 Yea, the darkness is no darkness with thee,
 but the night is as clear as day; *
 the darkness and light to thee are both alike.

Psalm 23 *Dominus regit me*

The LORD is my shepherd; *
 therefore can I lack nothing.
 He shall feed me in a green pasture, *
 and lead me forth in the paths of righteousness for his Name's sake.
 Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,
 I will fear no evil; *
 for thou art with me;
 thy rod and thy staff comfort me.

Thou shalt prepare a table before me in the presence of them that trouble me; *
 thou hast anointed my head with oil, and my cup shall be full.
 Surely thy loving-kindness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life; *
 and I will dwell in the house of the LORD for ever.

Psalm 23 *King James Version*

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 I shall not want.
 He maketh me to lie down in green pastures; *
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 thou anointest my head with oil;
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Psalm 27 *Dominus illuminatio*

The LORD is my light and my salvation;
 whom then shall I fear? *
 the LORD is the strength of my life;
 of whom then shall I be afraid?
 One thing have I desired of the LORD, which I will require, *
 even that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life,
 to behold the fair beauty of the LORD, and to visit his temple.
 For in the time of trouble he shall hide me in his tabernacle; *
 yea, in the secret place of his dwelling shall he hide me,
 and set me up upon a rock of stone.
 And now shall he lift up mine head *
 above mine enemies round about me.
 Therefore will I offer in his dwelling an oblation with great gladness; *
 I will sing and speak praises unto the LORD.
 Harken unto my voice, O LORD, when I cry unto thee; *
 have mercy upon me, and hear me.
 My heart hath talked of thee, Seek ye my face. *
 Thy face, LORD, will I seek.
 O hide not thou thy face from me, *
 nor cast thy servant away in displeasure.
 I should utterly have fainted, *
 but that I believe verily to see the goodness of the LORD in the land of the living.
 O tarry thou the LORD's leisure; *
 be strong, and he shall comfort thine heart;
 and put thou thy trust in the LORD.

Psalm 106 *Confitemini Domino*

O give thanks unto the LORD, for he is gracious, *
 and his mercy endureth for ever.
 Who can express the noble acts of the LORD, *
 or show forth all his praise?
 Blessed are they that alway keep judgment, *
 and do righteousness.
 Remember me, O LORD, according to the favor that thou bearest unto thy people; *
 O visit me with thy salvation.
 That I may see the felicity of thy chosen, *
 and rejoice in the gladness of thy people,
 and give thanks with thine inheritance.

Psalm 116 *Dilexi, quoniam*

My delight is in the LORD, *
 because he hath heard the voice of my prayer;
 Because he hath inclined his ear unto me, *
 therefore will I call upon him as long as I live.
 The snares of death compassed me round about, *
 and the pains of hell gat hold upon me.
 I found trouble and heaviness;
 then called I upon the Name of the LORD; *
 O LORD, I beseech thee, deliver my soul.
 Gracious is the LORD, and righteous; *
 yea, our God is merciful.
 The LORD preserveth the simple; *
 I was in misery, and he helped me.
 Turn again then unto thy rest, O my soul, *
 for the LORD hath rewarded thee.
 And why? thou hast delivered my soul from death, *
 mine eyes from tears, and my feet from falling.
 I will walk before the LORD *
 in the land of the living.
 I will pay my vows now in the presence of all his people; *
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Second Reading: From the New Testament (*Choose 1*)

Romans 8:14-19, 34-35, 37-39

For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, ‘Abba! Father!’ it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ—if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory about to be revealed to us. For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the children of God; who is to condemn? It is Christ Jesus, who died, yes, who was raised, who is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us. Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will hardship, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

1 Corinthians 15:20-26, 35-38, 42-44, 53-58

But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died. For since death came through a human being, the resurrection of the dead has also come through a human being; for as all die in Adam, so all will be made alive in Christ. But each in his own order: Christ the first fruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ. Then comes the end, when he hands over the kingdom to God the

Father, after he has destroyed every ruler and every authority and power. For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. The last enemy to be destroyed is death. But someone will ask, ‘How are the dead raised? With what kind of body do they come?’ Fool! What you sow does not come to life unless it dies. And as for what you sow, you do not sow the body that is to be, but a bare seed, perhaps of wheat or of some other grain. But God gives it a body as he has chosen, and to each kind of seed its own body. So it is with the resurrection of the dead. What is sown is perishable, what is raised is imperishable. It is sown in dishonor, it is raised in glory. It is sown in weakness, it is raised in power. It is sown a physical body, it is raised a spiritual body. If there is a physical body, there is also a spiritual body. For this perishable body must put on imperishability, and this mortal body must put on immortality. When this perishable body puts on imperishability, and this mortal body puts on immortality, then the saying that is written will be fulfilled: ‘Death has been swallowed up in victory.’ ‘Where, O death, is your victory? Where, O death, is your sting?’ The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. Therefore, my beloved, ^{*} be steadfast, immovable, always excelling in the work of the Lord, because you know that in the Lord your labor is not in vain.

2 Corinthians 4:16-5:9

So we do not lose heart. Even though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner nature is being renewed day by day. For this slight momentary affliction is preparing us for an eternal weight of glory beyond all measure, because we look not at what can be seen but at what cannot be seen; for what can be seen is temporary, but what cannot be seen is eternal. For we know that if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens. For in this tent we groan, longing to be clothed with our heavenly dwelling— if indeed, when we have taken it off we will not be found naked. For while we are still in this tent, we groan under our burden, because we wish not to be unclothed but to be further clothed, so that what is mortal may be swallowed up by life. He who has prepared us for this very thing is God, who has given us the Spirit as a guarantee. So we are always confident; even though we know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord— for we walk by faith, not by sight. Yes, we do have confidence, and we would rather be away from the body and at home with the Lord. So whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to please him.

1 John 3:1-2

See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God’s children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is.

Revelation 7:9-17

After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice, saying, ‘Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!’ And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshipped God, singing, ‘Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God for ever and ever! Amen.’

Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, ‘Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?’ I said to him, ‘Sir, you are the one that knows.’ Then he said to me, ‘These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. For this reason they are before the throne of God, and worship him day and night within his temple, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them. They will hunger no more, and thirst no more; the

sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat; for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.’

Revelation 21:2-7

And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, ‘See, the home of God is among mortals. He will dwell with them; they will be his peoples, and God himself will be with them; he will wipe every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away.’ And the one who was seated on the throne said, ‘See, I am making all things new.’ Also he said, ‘Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true.’ Then he said to me, ‘It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give water as a gift from the spring of the water of life. Those who conquer will inherit these things, and I will be their God and they will be my children

Third Reading: Gospel Readings *(Choose 1)*

John 5:24-27

Very truly, I tell you, anyone who hears my word and believes him who sent me has eternal life, and does not come under judgment, but has passed from death to life. ‘Very truly, I tell you, the hour is coming, and is now here, when the dead will hear the voice of the Son of God, and those who hear will live. For just as the Father has life in himself, so he has granted the Son also to have life in himself; and he has given him authority to execute judgment, because he is the Son of Man.

John 6:37-40

Everything that the Father gives me will come to me, and anyone who comes to me I will never drive away; for I have come down from heaven, not to do my own will, but the will of him who sent me. And this is the will of him who sent me, that I should lose nothing of all that he has given me, but raise it up on the last day. This is indeed the will of my Father, that all who see the Son and believe in him may have eternal life; and I will raise them up on the last day.’

John 10:11-16

‘I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. The hired hand, who is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away—and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. The hired hand runs away because a hired hand does not care for the sheep. I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father. And I lay down my life for the sheep. I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd.

John 11:21-27

Martha said to Jesus, ‘Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. But even now I know that God will give you whatever you ask of him.’ Jesus said to her, ‘Your brother will rise again.’ Martha said to him, ‘I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day.’ Jesus said to her, ‘I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?’ She said to him, ‘Yes, Lord, I believe that you are the Messiah,* the Son of God, the one coming into the world.’

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John 14:1-6

'Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house there are many dwelling-places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. And you know the way to the place where I am going.' Thomas said to him, 'Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?' Jesus said to him, 'I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.'

Music

Now you need to decide whether or not you would like to have music.

If you wish to have music, you will need to pay for the organist. The fee for the organist is \$150.

You will also need to choose music. You can choose both hymns and have soloists. If you wish to have a soloist outside of our organist you will need to find that person yourself. We are not able to supply soloists.

You can have 1-5 hymns/solos. During the service we generally do not sing/perform non-religious hymns/songs. Please speak with the celebrant if you have questions about this.

The places hymns/solos can go:

1. Beginning of the service
2. Before the Gospel Reading
3. Before the Holy Eucharist (while the altar is being set)
4. As the congregation receives communion
5. End of the service

We will try our best to accommodate your hymn choices, however, we don't have access to all hymn selections.

You may borrow a hymnal in order to make your decisions. We ask that you please return the hymnal to the church when you are finished using it.

Some suggested hymns:

#4 All people that on earth do dwell.

#6 Alleluia sing to Jesus

#7 Amazing Grace

#9 Be still, my soul, before the Lord

#13 Bless the Lord my soul

#15 Breathe on me breath of God

#18 Day by day

#21 Christ whose glory fills the skies

#22 Come down, O Love divine

#23 Come, my Way, my Truth, my Life

#32 May your loving spirit

#34 Earth and all stars

#35 Everywhere I go

#36 God is so good

#39 For all the saints, who from their labors rest

#41 Give thanks for life

#46 God to enfold you

#49 Gracious Spirit, give your servants

#58 I sing a song of the saints of God

#60 I, the Lord of sea and sky (Here I am Lord)

#67 I want Jesus to walk with me

#69 I want to walk as a child of the light

#70 Lord of all hopefulness, Lord of all joy
 #74 Joyful, joyful, we adore thee
 #75 Peace before us
 #76 Led on their way by this triumphant sign
 (Lift high the cross)
 #78 Longing for light
 #79 Lord, dismiss us with thy blessing
 #81 Loving Spirit
 #83 Mine eyes have seen the glory
 #84 Now thank we all our God
 #86 O day of radiant gladness
 #88 O Lord hear my prayer
 #91 Shall we gather at the river
 #93 So the day dawn for me
 #99 We thank God
 #103 There's a wideness in God's mercy
 #112 It is well with my soul
 #115 What a friend we have in Jesus
 #117 We walk by faith, and not by sight
 #118 Will you come and follow me
 #119 You shall cross the barren desert (Be not afraid)

#120 You who dwell in the shelter of the Lord
 (I will raise you up on eagle's wings)
 #121 O love, how deep, how broad, how high
 #122 Bread of the world, in mercy broken
 #123 From hand to hand
 #126 Bread of life
 #128 For the bread which you have broken
 #129 I come with joy
 #131 I am the bread of life
 #135 Let all mortal flesh keep silence
 #136 Come thou long-expected Jesus
 #179 What wondrous love is this
 #180 When I survey the wondrous cross
 #185 We will lay our burden down
 #186 Christ is alive! Let Christians sing
 #187 He is risen, he is risen
 #188 The strife is o'er, the battle done
 #190 Jesus Christ is risen today
 #191 Jesus is Lord of all the earth
 #194 Oh, how good is Christ the Lord

Other hymns not in our hymnal, but to which we have access (numbers are from the 1982 hymnal):

#688 A mighty fortress is our God
 #662 Abide with me fast falls the eventide
 #191 Alleluia, alleluia! Hearts and voices heavenward
 raise
 #174 At the lamb's high feast we sing
 #358 Christ, the victorious, give to your servants
 #383 Fairest, Lord Jesus, Ruler of all nature
 #552 Fight the good fight with all thy might
 #380 From all that dwell below the skies
 #355 Give rest, O Christ, to your servant with your
 saints
 #423 Immortal, invisible, God only wise
 #354 Into paradise may the angels lead you
 #685 Rock of ages, cleft for me, let me hide myself in
 thee
 #525 Stand up, stand up for Jesus, ye soldiers of the
 cross
 #646 The King of Love my shepherd is
 How great thou art

Eulogy/Remembrances/Homily

It is really special when a family member or friend of the deceased is able to share some words about his/her life. We do not open up the floor to anyone who would like to speak. This usually doesn't turn out well, and unfortunately then becomes all that anyone remembers after the service is done. We ask that you choose 1-3 people ahead of time to deliver a eulogy or eulogies. We also ask that the eulogies together not go more than 15 minutes. Our experience is that when they go on too long, they actually detract from the remembrance of the person who has died rather than enhancing the celebration of that person's life.

The Celebrant will preach a short homily (about 5 minutes) unless you request to have another clergy person to do this.

The Inclusion of Additional Clergy in the Service

In the Episcopal Church, the rector of the parish performs all funerals, unless another person has been designated by the rector in his or her absence. If you wish to have another priest celebrate or participate in the service, please speak with the rector. Other clergy can only participate or celebrate a funeral/memorial service with the rector's permission. Please do not invite the other clergy yourself. The rector, if he/she deems it appropriate, will extend the invitation.

Opportunities for Family/Friend Participation in the Service

There are several ways that family and friends can participate and contribute to the service:

1. Pallbearers
2. Readers (1-3)
3. Eulogies (1-3)
4. Lay Eucharistic Ministers (2)
5. Acolytes (1-5)
6. Ushers (2-3)
7. Carrier of the gifts for the Eucharist (1-2)
8. Soloists

Flowers

The parish does not supply flowers. They are provided by the family, if you wish to have them.

We are not able to use or distribute your flowers after the service is done. We ask that you please take them with you.

The church will be open one hour before the service begins. Flowers can be delivered at that time.

Reception

The parish does have a group that provides receptions for active members of the parish. An active member is someone who contributes financially to the parish and attends regularly (at least 3 times a year), or receives Eucharistic Visitors at least 3 times a year.

If you are not an active member of the parish, and would like to use the parish hall for a reception, you will need to cater the reception yourself. Caterers can have access to the kitchen and parish hall one hour

prior to the beginning of the services. There is a \$150 fee for use of the parish hall by non-members or inactive-members.

Fees

For active members and non-members and inactive members:

Organist: \$150

For non-members and inactive members only:

Celebrant: \$150

For non-members and inactive members only:

Parish Hall use for reception: \$150

Body/Ashes

You need to decide whether or not the body/ashes will be present in the church.

Burial

You need to decide where, when and if the remains will be buried. Do you need a clergy person to participate in this burial?