

## Funeral, Memorial or Graveside Service Information Form

Today's date: _____
The person this service is being planned for is: _____
Their name exactly as it should appear in the worship bulletin: _____
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The person's date of birth: _____
If deceased, the person's date of death: _____
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The person providing this information is: _____
Your relation to person the service is being planned for: _____
Address: _____
Phone: _____ Cell phone: _____
Email: _____
_____
If we can't get in touch with you, another family member, caregiver or friend is: _____
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Relation to person the service is being planned for: _____
Address: _____
Phone: _____ Cell phone: _____
Email: _____
_____
The service we are planning is a:
___ Funeral: a service at Christ Church with the remains present: ___ Body ___ Ashes
___ Memorial Service: a service at Christ Church with no remains present.
___ Funeral or Memorial Service at a location other than Christ Church. Please describe your intentions: _____
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We also want to plan a:
___ <u>Graveside Service</u> : a service at which we commit the remains to their resting place:
___ Committal of ashes at the Christ Church Columbarium
___ Committal of ___ body or ___ ashes at the following cemetery or other location: _____
_____
This Graveside Service would be ___ before or ___ after the service at Christ Church, or ___ on another date/time: _____
___ Reception at Christ Church by the Hospitality Ministry
___ Other: _____
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The funeral home is: _____
Contact name: _____
Phone: _____ Email: _____
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Memorials: donations to any ministry or charity may be suggested in the worship bulletin: _____
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The clergy will be pleased to plan a beautiful Funeral or Memorial Service with as little or as much input as you wish to provide. The customary order of service for a Funeral or Memorial Service is outlined in the Book of Common Prayer, Pastoral Offices, pp. 491-505 (Rite Two); the Graveside Service (The Committal) is included on pp. 501-503. An equivalent service in more traditional language is outlined on pp. 469-489 (Rite One); the Graveside Service (The Committal) is included on pp. 484-487. You may obtain a copy of the Book of Common Prayer from the church, or view it on-line at sites such as [www.bcponline.org](http://www.bcponline.org).

The Funeral or Memorial service customarily includes the following. You may indicate preferences on this form, consult with the clergy or allow the clergy to plan any or all aspects of the service:

Prelude:

Silence  Instrumental music  Photos projected

Opening anthem (encouraging words of scripture)

Opening prayer

Opening hymn. Musical suggestions are listed below: \_\_\_\_\_

Scripture readings: One to four readings are recommended. There may be a reading from the Old Testament, Psalms, and New Testament. If there is to be Communion, a Gospel reading should be included. Scripture suggestions are listed below:

Old Testament: \_\_\_\_\_

Psalm: \_\_\_\_\_

New Testament: \_\_\_\_\_

Gospel: \_\_\_\_\_

Remembrances (optional: explained below)

Homily (sermon)

Reassurance of belief (Apostle's Creed)

Prayers (for the deceased and family)

Eucharist (Communion):  Yes  No

Music during Offertory (Communion preparation (1 selection)): \_\_\_\_\_

Music during Communion (1-3 selections): \_\_\_\_\_

Commendation (prayer commending the deceased to the care of God)

Military honors (customarily includes Taps and flag presentation by military honor guard, coordinated with military authorities by the family):  Yes  No

Closing hymn: \_\_\_\_\_

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Suggested Scripture: The clergy will be pleased to consult on scripture readings. Suggestions include:

### Old Testament (and Apocrypha)

- Isaiah 25:6-9 (He will swallow up death for ever)
- Isaiah 61:1-3 (To comfort all those who mourn)
- Lamentations 3:22-26, 31-33 (The Lord is good unto them that wait for him)
- Wisdom 3:1-5, 9 (Apocrypha) (The souls of the righteous are in the hands of God)
- Job 19:21-27a (I know that my Redeemer lives)

Other: \_\_\_\_\_

### Psalms

- Psalm 23 (The Lord is my shepherd) Rite I or Rite II version
- Psalm 27 (The Lord is my light and my salvation: whom shall I fear?)
- Psalm 42 (As a deer longs for flowing streams, so my soul longs for you, O God)
- Psalm 90 (Lord, you have been our dwelling place in all generations)
- Psalm 116 (I love the Lord, because he has heard my voice and my supplications)
- Psalm 121 (I lift up my eyes to the hills – from where will my help come?)
- Psalm 130 (out of the depths I cry to you. O Lord)
- Psalm 139 (O Lord, you have searched me and known me)

Other: \_\_\_\_\_

### New Testament

- Romans 8:14-19, 34-35, 37-39 (Death nor life will separate us from the love of God)
- 1 Corinthians 15:20-26, 35-38 42-48. 53-58 (The imperishable body)
- 2 Corinthians 4:16-5:9 (Things that are unseen are eternal)
- 1 John 3:1-2 (We shall be like him)
- Revelation 7:9-17 (God will wipe away every tear)
- Revelation 21:2-7 (Behold, I make all things new)

Other: \_\_\_\_\_

### Gospel

- John 5:24-27 (He who believes has everlasting life)
- John 6:37-40 (All that the father gives me will come to me)
- John 10:11-16 (I am the good shepherd)
- John 11:21-27 (I am the resurrection and the life)
- John 14:1-6 (In my Father's house are many rooms)

Other: \_\_\_\_\_

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Suggested Music: The clergy and music director will be pleased to consult on musical selections.

Suggestions from the Hymnal (1982) include:

Alleluia # 1 (178)	How Lovely is Thy Dwelling Place (517)
Love's Redeeming Work is Done (188)	The Church's One Foundation (525)
Jesus Lives! (194)	Eternal Father, Strong to Save (608)
Jesus Christ is Risen Today (207)	Ye Watchers and ye Holy Ones (618)
Alleluia! The Strife is O'er (208)	Jerusalem, my Happy Home (620)
For All the Saints (287)	Ye Holy Angels Bright (625)
I am the Bread of Life (335)	If Thou but Trust in God to Guide Thee (635)
Give Rest, O Christ, to Your Servants (355)	How Firm a Foundation, Ye Saints of the Lord (636)
May Choirs of Angels Lead You (356)	The King of Love, My Shepherd Is (645)
Jesus, Son of Mary (357)	As Longs The Deer for Cooling Streams (658)
Christ the Victorious (358)	The Lord My God my Shepherd Is (663)
Praise the Lord (373)	My Shepherd Will Supply my Need (664)
Joyful, Joyful (376)	All My Hope On God is Founded (665)
God is Love, Let Heaven Adore Him (379)	I to the Hills Will Lift Mine Eyes (668)
O Worship the King (388)	Amazing Grace! How Sweet the Sound (671)
Blessed Be the God Of Israel (444)	O God, Our Help in Ages Past (680)
Thou Art the Way (457)	A Mighty Fortress is Our God (688)
Come My Way, My Truth, My Life (487)	Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah (690)
Lord God You Have Set Your Servant Free (499)	I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say (692)

Other suggestions include:

In Christ Alone  
Amazing Grace/Chains  
I Will Rise  
Here I am Lord  
On Eagle's Wings  
How Great Thou Art  
It is Well with my Soul

Other: \_\_\_\_\_

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Participants in the service: The clergy ensure that all needs at the funeral or memorial service are taken care of by caring and trained staff or lay ministers. However, if desired, there can be meaningful opportunities for family and friends to participate in the service. This is completely optional. If desired, please indicate suggested participants below:

Ushers: Help greet guests, pass out bulletins, assist them in finding seats, etc.: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Readers: Read passages of scripture: \_\_\_\_\_

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Prayers: Recite written prayers from the liturgy: \_\_\_\_\_

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Servers: Crucifer, acolytes and chalice bearers should be familiar with Anglican worship:

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Remembrances: Typically, 1-2 family members or friends may be pre-arranged to share brief remembrances in consultation with the clergy: \_\_\_\_\_

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Singers or musicians: Musically skilled individuals may help lead worship, in consultation with the clergy and music director: \_\_\_\_\_

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Pall bearers: Depending on arrangements with the funeral home, pall bearers may not actually handle the coffin or remains, though they may assist in placing the coffin in the hearse. They may enter/exit the service with the family and be listed in the worship bulletin:

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Is there anything else you'd like us to know? \_\_\_\_\_

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