

# Funeral Arrangements

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Please return this completed form to the Trinity Office

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The full text of the rites can be found in the Book of Common Prayer (also available online: [bcponline.org](http://bcponline.org)); hymns can be found in the 1982 Hymnal (or searched online); all Bible passages come from the NRSV translation unless otherwise noted.

Funeral Arrangements for: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Full Name)

**1. Place of funeral:** Trinity Church, or \_\_\_\_\_  
(Please circle or specify other location)

**2. Burial Rite:** [Rite I](#) \_\_\_\_\_ [Rite II](#) \_\_\_\_\_  
(Rite I uses traditional "thee" and "thou" language; Rite II uses contemporary English)

Eucharist? \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No  
(Eucharist is preferred, especially if the deceased was baptized.)

**3. Service Preferences:** Sung \_\_\_\_\_ Spoken \_\_\_\_\_

**4. Readings:** Pick at least one; Gospel is required if there will be Holy Eucharist

Old Testament Reading (choose one)

- \_\_\_\_\_ [Isaiah 25:6-9](#), He will swallow up death forever
- \_\_\_\_\_ [Isaiah 61:1-3](#), To comfort those who mourn
- \_\_\_\_\_ [Daniel 12:1-3](#), Those who sleep in the dust shall awake
- \_\_\_\_\_ [Lamentations 3:22-26, 31-33](#), The Lord is good to those who wait
- \_\_\_\_\_ [Wisdom 1:13-15](#) (God did not make death)
- \_\_\_\_\_ [Wisdom 3:1-5](#), The souls of the righteous are in the hands of God
- \_\_\_\_\_ [Job 14:7-9 \(10-12\)](#), Mortals die, and are laid low
- \_\_\_\_\_ [Job 19:21-27a](#), I know my Redeemer lives

New Testament Reading (choose one)

- \_\_\_\_\_ [Romans 6:3-11](#), So we too we might walk in newness of life
- \_\_\_\_\_ [Romans 8:14-19, \(34-35, 37-39\)](#) Nothing can separate us from Christ
- \_\_\_\_\_ [Romans 14:7-9](#), And if we die, we die in the Lord
- \_\_\_\_\_ [I Corinthians 15:20-26, \(35-38, 42-44, 53-58\)](#) The last enemy... is death
- \_\_\_\_\_ [I Corinthians 15:51-59](#), Death has been swallowed up in victory
- \_\_\_\_\_ [II Corinthians 4:16-5:9](#), Things that are unseen are eternal
- \_\_\_\_\_ [II Corinthians 5:1-9](#), We walk by faith and not by sight

\_\_\_\_\_ [1 Peter 1:3-9](#), He has given us a new birth into a living hope  
 \_\_\_\_\_ [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

Gospel Reading (*choose one*)

[Matthew 11:25-30](#), Come to me, all you that are weary  
[Luke 24:13-16 \(17-35\)](#), The road to Emmaus  
[John 5:24-27](#), The one who believes has eternal life  
[John 6:27-40](#), All that the Father gives me  
[John 10:11-16](#), 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 mansions  
[John 20:11-18](#), Mary encounters the risen Christ

Psalms (*choose one or two*)

\_\_\_\_\_ [23](#), The Lord is my shepherd ( \_\_\_\_\_ KJV?)  
 \_\_\_\_\_ [27](#), The Lord is my light and my salvation  
 \_\_\_\_\_ [42:1-7](#), As the deer longs for the waterbrooks  
 \_\_\_\_\_ [46](#), God is our refuge and strength  
 \_\_\_\_\_ [90:1-12](#), Lord, you have been our refuge  
 \_\_\_\_\_ [106:1-5](#), Visit me with your saving help  
 \_\_\_\_\_ [116](#), I love the Lord, because he has heard the voice of my supplication  
 \_\_\_\_\_ [118:14-29](#), I shall not die, but live, and declare the works of the Lord  
 \_\_\_\_\_ [121](#), I lift up my eyes to the hills  
 \_\_\_\_\_ [130](#), Out of the depths have I called to you  
 \_\_\_\_\_ [139:1-11](#), Lord, you have searched me out and known me

**5. Music:** Hymns especially appropriate to the service, from The Hymnal 1982: *(maximum of three)*

Burial Hymns: \_\_\_\_\_ 355 (Give rest, O Christ) \_\_\_\_\_ 356 (May choirs of angels lead you)  
 \_\_\_\_\_ 357 (Jesus, Son of Mary) \_\_\_\_\_ 358 (Christ the Victorious)

Easter hymns: \_\_\_\_\_ 182 (Christ is Alive!), \_\_\_\_\_ 208 (The Strife is O'er)

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| All Saints'/ | _____ 279 (For thy dear saints),  | _____ 286 (Who are these like stars)        |
| the Church   | _____ 287 (For All the Saints)    | _____ 618 (Ye Watchers and ye Holy Ones),   |
| Triumphant:  | _____ 620 (Jerusalem, my          | _____ 623 (O what their joy and their glory |
|              | happy home)                       | must be),                                   |
|              | _____ 625 (Ye holy angels bright) |   |

General hymns: \_\_\_\_\_ 397 (Now thank we all  
our God) \_\_\_\_\_ 423 (Immortal, invisible),  
\_\_\_\_\_ 473 (Lift High the Cross) \_\_\_\_\_ 457 (Thou art the Way),  
\_\_\_\_\_ 545 (Lo! What a cloud \_\_\_\_\_ 526 (Let Saints on Earth in  
of witnesses), \_\_\_\_\_ 546 (Awake, my soul)  
\_\_\_\_\_ 560 (Remember your \_\_\_\_\_ 562 (Onward, Christian Soldiers)  
servants, Lord) \_\_\_\_\_ 564 (He who would valiant be),

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| _____ 645 (The King of love,<br>my shepherd is) | _____ 665 (All my hope on God is founded)  |
| _____ 671 (Amazing grace!)                      | _____ 680 (O God our help in ages past)    |
| _____ 688 (A mighty fortress<br>is our God)     | _____ 692 (I heard the voice of Jesus say) |

*Please note: Hymns are to be selected from the Hymnal 1982 or one of the Episcopal Service Books. Other requests may be considered for an additional fee at the discretion of the organist.*

## 6. Other Details:

Participants in the service, in addition to the Priest at Trinity (if any):

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Readers (*family, friends, or church members*)

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Additional requests for the service (*Military or other honors*)

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Burial arrangements: (*For example: cremation, traditional burial, location of burial plot, or place of interment. Applications for Trinity's Memorial Garden can be obtained from the church office*)

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Funeral home \_\_\_\_\_

Attorney\_\_\_\_\_

People you wish notified (*please include contact information, if possible*)

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Other Helpful Information:

Things you should know about church funerals: The casket is always closed for an Episcopal service, and when the funeral is in the church, the casket or urn is covered with a funeral pall. There is, traditionally, no eulogy in the Episcopal service, though a 5 minute/600-word eulogy may be shared if submitted to the priest beforehand: this allows the priest to assist if the reader becomes overwhelmed, which happens more often than people often think. A homily will be preached: be sure to let the priest know if there is any part of the deceased's story you would like them to hold in mind as they prepare the message.

In lieu of flowers (except for altar flowers), memorials may be given to the church or some other organization, as a way to help the living. Would you like to leave instructions for such gifts?

\_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No

If yes, organization:

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It is appropriate that friends and family be given an opportunity to gather after the service to greet one another, to offer sympathy and to share memories. This can happen at church or at someone's home or some other location. Would you be interested in such a gathering?

\_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No

If so, where?

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*The Church approves of organ and tissue donation when possible. Please make appropriate arrangements with your doctor and family.*

"The Minister of the Congregation is directed to instruct the people, from time to time, about the duty of Christian parents to make prudent provision for the wellbeing of their families, and of all persons to make Wills, while they are in health, arranging for the disposal of their temporal goods, not neglecting, if they are able, to leave bequests for religious and charitable purposes."

(From the *Book of Common Prayer*)

Would you like more information about remembering the Church in your will?

\_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No

Have remembered the Church in your will already?

\_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No

Have you communicated these wishes to your next-of-kin?

\_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No

Would you like to reserve the Upper Parish Hall for a reception or repast after the service?

\_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No

Current fees: Christian burial is an integral ministry of the church and part of the priest's role in serving a parish. A donation to the church or to the Priest's Discretionary Fund (for pious and charitable purposes) in honor of this ministry is normative but not required. The organist's fee is \$250. Livestreaming is possible based on a technician's availability and for a small fee.

**Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

*This supersedes any arrangements previously submitted.*