

The Church of
Saint Luke &
The Epiphany

Planning Funeral Services

The liturgy for the dead is an Easter liturgy. It finds all its meaning in the resurrection. Because Jesus was raised from the dead, we, too, shall be raised. The liturgy, therefore, is characterized by joy, in the certainty that “neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, 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.” This joy, however, does not make human grief unchristian. The very love we have for each other in Christ brings deep sorrow when we are parted by death. Jesus himself wept at the grave of his friend. So, while we grieve that one we love has entered into the nearer presence of our Lord, we grieve in sympathy with those who mourn. The Book of Common Prayer, p. 507

Name

Street Address, PO Box, and/or Apartment #

City State Zip Code

Date & Place of Birth

Date of Baptism

Occupation

Employer

Date of Last Will

Location of Will

Executor's Name & Address

Family Information

Spouse's or Partner's Name

Street Address, PO Box, and/or Apartment #

City State Zip Code

Spouse's or Partner's Date & Place of Birth

Spouse's or Partner's Date of Baptism

Mother's Full Name

Mother's Date & Place of Birth

Living: Yes No

Father's Full Name

Father's Date & Place of Birth

Living: Yes No

Name, address and phone numbers of living children:

Name address and phone numbers

Name address and phone numbers

Name address and phone numbers

Name address and phone numbers

Name address and phone numbers

Name, address and phone numbers of living siblings:

Name address and phone numbers

Name address and phone numbers

Name address and phone numbers

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Name, address and phone numbers of persons to notify upon my death:

Name address and phone numbers

Name address and phone numbers

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Suggested Readings and Hymns for Burials and Memorials

The following pages are meant to assist you in choosing Readings and/or Hymns for the Order of Service. This page could be helpful in noting your choices, as follows:

Name (Sign & Print)

(Street Address, PO Box, and/or Apartment #) (City/State/Zip)

The Episcopal tradition is that church members are normally buried from the church. The Prayer Book indicates the body is to be present, although a memorial service without the body may be held. The coffin is closed and is always covered by a pall, which the church will provide.

1. I request that my service be conducted at:

(Name, City and State of Church)

or at: _____
The rector or clergy of said congregation shall be in charge of the services.

2. The Burial of the Dead (the funeral service) is a series of psalms, lessons, and prayers. Holy Communion with special propers (i.e., Collect, Epistle, and Gospel) may be included.

I request (check one):

- Rite II The Burial of the Dead with Holy Communion (body or urn present)
(BCP, page 491)
- EOW (Enriching our Worship)

3. Other arrangements as follows (Discuss with the Rector):

Altar Flowers

Please Note about Altar Flowers: If you would like to order flowers to be placed at the altar, please have the florist contact the church office for delivery time. All other flowers will be placed in the baptistery or reception area for the family and guest to enjoy. Please remember to arrange for removal of the flowers and any additional flowers which may be received. The staff will remove cards attached to gift arrangements and will give those cards to your family.

Musicians

Speakers (1 Optional)

4. I request that the following Scriptures be read:

Old Testament (choose one):

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

Psalms (choose one):

Psalms: 42 46 90 121 130 139

New Testament (choose one):

- Romans 8:14-19, 34-35, 37-39 (The glory that shall be revealed)
- 1 Corinthians 15:20-26, 35-38, 42-44, 53-58 (Raised in incorruption)
- 2 Corinthians 4:16-5:9 (Things which are not seen are eternal)
- 1 John 3:1-2 (We shall be like him)
- Revelation 7:9-17 (God shall wipe away all tears)
- Revelation 21:2-7 (Behold, I make all things new)
- Isaiah 25:6-9 (He will swallow up death in victory)

I request that the following Gospel verse be read

(Must be included if Holy Communion is celebrated):

- John 5:24-27 (He that believeth hath everlasting life)
- John 6:37-40 (All that the Father giveth me shall 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 mansions)

Readers: _____

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5. I request that the following Hymns:

Music should be confident and strong, expressing the hope and faith that Christians affirm in the presence of death. The congregation should participate fully by praying, singing the hymns ,and joining the responses. Easter hymns are especially appropriate.

7. *Pre-Planning and Pre-Payment with a Funeral Home*

As Christians, we are called to be good stewards of our resources. All of us will die; this is a fact. Therefore, it is good stewardship to make funeral plans in advance. SLATE has several forms that can assist with this process. Decisions made while a person is in good health, without the duress of heightened emotions or urgencies, will result in better decisions.

I prefer the following funeral home:

_____;

However, my family or attorney may make this decision.

- I wish to have my coffin open at the funeral home.
- I do not wish to have my coffin open at the funeral home.
- In lieu of flowers, I request that donations be made in my name to:

8. Burial: Location of cemetery plot deed, crypt deed, columbarium contract

Coffin specifications:

- Least expensive
- Mid-range
- Elaborate

Cremated:

- Before Funeral
- After Funeral

Donate entire body or certain organs

- Arrangements have been made
- Please make appropriate arrangements

Fees for Funerals & Memorial Services

Please pay all fees prior to the service, as follows:

FUNERALS	Fees for Parishioners	Fees for Non-Parishioners
Sanctuary	\$0	\$500
Chapel	\$0	\$200
Kitchen	<i>50 per hour</i>	<i>\$75 per hour</i>
Coffee Hour Room	<i>50 per hour</i>	<i>\$75 per hour</i>
Community Room	<i>100 per hour</i>	<i>125 per hour</i>
Organist – payable to the Organist	\$300	\$300
Organist (when also conducting singers)	\$375	\$375
Singers (per person)	\$100	\$100
Sexton – payable to the Sexton	Weekday \$150 Church only Weekday \$200 Church & Reception Saturday \$225 Church only Saturday \$275 Church & Reception	Weekday \$150 Church only Weekday \$200 Church & Reception Saturday \$225 Church only Saturday \$275 Church & Reception

Note: The Rector of SLATE has the canonical authority to adjust or suspend all rental fees as he/she/they see fit.

Clergy Honorarium: Optional *All clergy honoraria are distributed to the clergy's discretionary fund unless stated otherwise. Please make check payable to "The Church of Saint Luke and the Epiphany" with "Clergy Discretionary Fund" in memo line.*

Additional Notes/Comments: