



## Funeral Planning at St. Andrew's Episcopal Church

The Book of Common Prayer reminds us that the funeral is an Easter liturgy, finding its meaning in Christ's resurrection and 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."

As Christians, we know that death does not have the final word. The burial liturgy is a witness to your Christian life and faith. We comfort one another in our grief, we gather in community, and we proclaim Christ crucified and risen. These planning sheets are meant to serve as a guide as you begin the planning process. In the days following a death, it can often be overwhelming for family members to put the details of a funeral together. Whether death follows a long illness or a surprising accident, your loved ones will appreciate knowing your wishes. The best liturgies are celebrations that will commend the person to God and give hope to those who mourn.

It is important that the priest be informed whenever there is serious illness or death. We wish to be present with you and your family whenever possible throughout the dying and grieving process.

If you wish, a copy of these plans will be kept in a confidential file at St. Andrew's. It is not a legally binding document. May the planning of your funeral be a meaningful time of prayer and reflection.

God's peace and blessings to you,

Rev. Ginny Bain Inman, Rector

## *Funeral Service Planning Sheet*

### General Information

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Birthdate \_\_\_\_\_

Place of birth \_\_\_\_\_

Today's date \_\_\_\_\_

### Next of Kin or Primary Contact

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

I am attaching a copy of my preferred Obituary:     Yes     No

I have made a will:     Yes     No

If Yes, a copy of my will may be found: \_\_\_\_\_

I have made a living will:     Yes     No

### Disposition of My Body

Funeral Director or Home: \_\_\_\_\_

I wish to donate my body for medical use:     Yes     No

I wish to donate the following organs for medical use: \_\_\_\_\_

My preference is     burial     cremation

If cremation, my ashes are to be disposed of as follows: \_\_\_\_\_

I would like information about St. Andrew's Memorial Garden:     Yes     No

If burial, my burial plot is located at: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

If no burial plot is owned, I wish to be buried in the following cemetery:  
\_\_\_\_\_

I would like Military Honors:  Yes; I served in the \_\_\_\_\_ branch.  No

### Memorial Gifts

Memorial donations may be made to: \_\_\_\_\_

Parish: \_\_\_\_\_

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

I would like information about including St. Andrew's in my estate plan or will:  Yes  No

### Service Scheduling and Planning Details

*Funerals at St. Andrew's are held Mondays through Thursdays. Funerals generally are not scheduled on Fridays, Saturdays, and Sundays.*

I prefer (choose one)  Book of Common Prayer Rite I  Book of Common Prayer Rite II

Do you want the Holy Eucharist to be offered at your funeral?  Yes  No

Committal at graveside following:  Yes  No

### Liturgical Choices

*If no preference is indicated the priest will make appropriate choices.*

Hymns or Special Music: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Old Testament/Hebrew Bible Reading (optional): \_\_\_\_\_

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

New Testament Reading (optional): \_\_\_\_\_

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

Requested Participants in the Service: \_\_\_\_\_

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### Notes about Fees

*The organist fee for funerals is \$100. If additional instrumental or vocal soloists are included, the fee for each of these musicians is \$100. There is no additional fee for the choir to sing at funerals at St. Andrew's.*

*If flowers are desired, the family will arrange for these by contacting Plants and Answers at 336-274-8933 or [plantsandanswers@gmail.com](mailto:plantsandanswers@gmail.com). The florist should contact the parish office to schedule delivery. For a service in the Sanctuary, one or two flower arrangements can be used. For a service in the Chapel, two small arrangements are customary. If the service in the Chapel does not include Eucharist, however, one larger arrangement can be used instead.*

### Additional Notes

*Please provide any other instructions or requests regarding your funeral service.*

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