



# Trinity Episcopal Church Funeral Planning Form

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## Planning the Funeral Service for Your Loved One

The Rector and Organist would be happy to meet with you to assist in the planning of this Service. Burial Services at Trinity Church are from the Book of Common Prayer, 1979 beginning on page 491.

Your loved one's full name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of death: \_\_\_\_\_

Will there be a casket or cremains at the funeral? \_\_\_\_\_

### Music

Do you wish to have music at the service? \_\_\_\_\_

Normally organ or other instrumental music is played before and after the service. Do you have a preference for what is played at that time?

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Within the service there are opportunities for the singing of several hymns. Please list your preferences from either the Episcopal Hymnal 1982 or from some other source. (The latter can be photocopies if not under copyright and provided as inserts in the service leaflet.)

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### **Readings and Prayers**

There are normally three readings from the Bible interspersed with Psalms. The suggested Psalms, listed below from the Book of Common Prayer, need not be used in the order that they appear. You may also choose to not include a Psalm at all.

1. The first reading is from the Old Testament or from the Apocrypha. Choose one of the following:

\_\_\_\_\_ Isaiah 25:6-9

\_\_\_\_\_ Isaiah 61:1-3

\_\_\_\_\_ Lamentations 3:22-26; 31-33

\_\_\_\_\_ Wisdom of Solomon (Apocrypha) 3:1-5, 9

\_\_\_\_\_ Job 19:21-27a (the "a" means the first phrase in that verse)

If you are choosing a friend or family member to read the first reading, please list the person's name:

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2. If you wish, choose a Psalm:

23 King James Version \_\_\_\_\_; or 23 Prayer Book Version \_\_\_\_\_;  
42:1-7 \_\_\_\_\_; or 46 \_\_\_\_\_; or 90:1-12 \_\_\_\_\_; or 121 \_\_\_\_\_; or 130 \_\_\_\_\_;  
or 139:1-11 \_\_\_\_\_.

3. The second reading is from the New Testament. Choose one.

\_\_\_\_\_Romans 8:14-19, 34-35, 37-39

\_\_\_\_\_ I Corinthians 15:20-26, 35-38, 42-44

\_\_\_\_\_II Corinthians 4:16-5:9

\_\_\_\_\_I John 3:1-2

\_\_\_\_\_Revelation 7:9-17

\_\_\_\_\_Revelation 21:2-7

If you are choosing a friend of family member to read the second reading, please list the person's name:

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4. If you wish, choose a second Psalm:

23 King James Version \_\_\_\_\_; or 23 Prayer Book Version \_\_\_\_\_;  
or 27 \_\_\_\_\_; or 106:1-5 \_\_\_\_\_; or 116 \_\_\_\_\_.

5. The Gospel. Choose one.

\_\_\_\_\_John 5:24-27

\_\_\_\_\_John 6:37-40

\_\_\_\_\_John 10:11-16

\_\_\_\_\_John 11:21-27

\_\_\_\_\_John 14:1-6

**Other Choices for the Funeral Service:**

1. Reflections: Is there anyone that you would like to have speak at the funeral? If so, please list their names below:

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2. The Apostle's Creed may be said. This is the ancient Baptismal Creed and reminds us of the faith of the Church and the deceased.

3. The Prayers of the People are located on page 497 in The Book of Common Prayer. Would you like to choose someone to read the prayers or would you like to have a member of the clergy read them?

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If you are choosing a friend of family member to read the Prayers, please list the person's name:

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4. Is your loved one entitled to military honors?  Yes  No

5. If so, do you have the discharge papers? \_\_\_\_\_

6. If you own a burial plot, where is it located?

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7. Where and when will the burial take place?

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8. Are there any other clergy that you would like to officiate or preach at the funeral in addition to the Rector?

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9. Additional requests:

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