

**Christ Church, Mt. Pleasant, SC**  
Funeral Planning Form

The clergy are glad to assist you with this form if asked. When completed, please e-mail it to Deacon Joyce Harder (jharder@christch.org) or give the church office a copy. If you're planning far in advance, do inform your family that a second copy is with your important papers.

This information will be used by the clergy of Christ Church to assist them in the planning of your funeral service. The clergy will make every reasonable effort to honor your wishes. However, this form is a guide for the purpose of identifying preferences only, and in no case will override the decisions of the clergy of Christ Church who will use the canons of the Church, the rubrics of the Prayer Book, the liturgical and funeral policies of the Parish, and their own pastoral judgment as to the service's final form and content. Family members and friends are welcome to offer remembrances at the graveside following the Committal or at a reception.

**Full Name of the Deceased:** \_\_\_\_\_

**DOB of the Deceased** \_\_\_\_\_

**Location:** \_\_\_\_\_ Historic Church (maximum seating capacity 100; due to space limitations, the Historic Church cannot accommodate a casket.)

\_\_\_\_\_ Main Church \_\_\_\_\_ Graveside only

**Cremation:** Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

**Eucharist:** Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

**If Eucharist, which service?** Anglican Standard Text \_\_\_\_\_ Renewed Ancient Text \_\_\_\_\_  
ACNA Prayer Book p. 105 ACNA Prayer Book p. 123

**Bible Readings:**

You may have 1, 2, or 3 readings; if there is Eucharist, one of the readings must be a Gospel reading; readings may be chosen from the lists provided at the end of this form. You may also choose a Psalm to be said between readings. A list of appropriate Psalms is also provided.

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

Psalm \_\_\_\_\_

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

Gospel \_\_\_\_\_

**Homily (sermon):** Yes \_\_\_\_\_; No \_\_\_\_\_

**Homilist:**

It is the policy of Christ Church that only Christ Church clergy, or other clergy at the invitation of the Rector of Christ Church, will serve as Homilist. If you have a preference among the clergy of Christ Church, or if there is another clergy person you wish the Rector to invite to preach, please list here:

\_\_\_\_\_

Please note that in addition to the clergy homilist at the service, family and friends may offer remembrances and other comments at a reception in the Parish Hall following the service. If there is someone specific you would want to speak or to offer a eulogy at that time, please list their name(s) here:

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**Music:**

Music is chosen from The Hymnal and the Rejoice songbook of the church. Any selection from these sources may be appropriate; the list with this form is provided to assist you in identifying several appropriate/popular songs. Music from sources other than The Hymnal and the Rejoice songbook may be used at the discretion of the Director of Music and the clergy.

Guest soloists and musicians may be requested and may be used depending upon their availability and at the discretion of the Director of Music and the clergy.

{Please note that the Choir of Christ Church is a volunteer group and as such is not asked to be available to sing at funerals.}

You may request music for the church to use with the funeral service as appropriate. Possibilities include:

- a) Up to three hymns/songs for the service itself: one at the beginning, one between readings, one to recess out;
- b) One or more hymns/songs during communion if there is Eucharist;
- c) Instrumental music, a solo, or a congregational hymn/song during the offertory if there is Eucharist (that is, while the priest is setting the altar for communion);
- d) Instrumental hymns/songs or a solo at the prelude (that is, before the service starts).

From the Hymnal: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

From the Rejoice songbook: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

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

Instrumentalist(s), Soloist(s): \_\_\_\_\_  
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**Committal:**

Will the body be buried, or the cremains interred at the conclusion of the Christ Church funeral? Yes \_\_\_\_\_; No \_\_\_\_\_

Location of burial or interment:  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
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**Pallbearers:** \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Other service participants:** If there are Christ Church members who regularly perform the role of Usher, Lay Reader, or Chalice Bearer whom you would like to request for that role in your funeral, please list them below. Otherwise, Christ Church will procure people to fill these roles, in which case put down, "Please provide."

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\_\_\_\_\_  
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Funeral Home in charge \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

Other special information or requests: \_\_\_\_\_

### Scripture Selection lists

#### **Old Testament**

ISAIAH 25:6-9 (*He will swallow up death for ever*)

ISAIAH 61:1-3 (*To comfort all who mourn*)

LAMENTATIONS 3:22-26,31-33 (*The Lord is good to those who wait*)

WISDOM 3:1-5, 9 (*The souls of the righteous are in the hands of God*)

JOB 19:21-27A (*I know that my Redeemer lives*)

*A suitable psalm, hymn, or canticle may follow.*

*The following Psalms are appropriate: 39, 42:1-7, 46, 90:1-12, 121, 130, 139:1-11<sup>v</sup>.*

#### **New Testament**

ROMANS 8:14-19,34-39 (*The glory that is to be revealed*)

1 CORINTHIANS 15:20-26,35-38,42-44,53-58 (*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 am making all things new*)

*A suitable psalm, hymn, or canticle may follow.*

*The following Psalms are appropriate: 23, 27, 106:1-5<sup>v</sup>, 116.*

#### **Gospel**

JOHN 5:24-27 (*Whoever believes has eternal 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*)

### Hymn/Song Selection lists:

#### **The Hymnal -**

178 Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord

180 He is risen

208 The strife is o'er

287 For all the saints

335 I am the bread of life

344 Lord, dismiss us with thy blessing

358 Christ the Victorious

376 Joyful, joyful we adore thee

439 What wondrous love is this

488 Be thou my vision

490 I want to walk as a child of the light

637 How firm a foundation

645 The King of love my shepherd is

662 Abide with me

664 My shepherd will supply my need

671 Amazing Grace  
685 Rock of ages  
688 A mighty fortress is our God  
690 Guide me, O thou great Jehovah  
691 My faith looks up to Thee  
693 Just as I am

**Rejoice songbook -**

13 Surely the presence  
16 How Great Thou Art  
29 Nearer my God to Thee  
30 Be Still  
45 Be Not Afraid  
49 Be Unto Your Name  
51 On Eagle's Wings

54 Blest are they  
55 As the deer  
61 We will rise again  
63 It is well with my soul  
68 You are mine  
76 In Christ Alone  
80 Amazing Grace/My Chains Are Gone  
82 God Grace  
85 10,000 Reasons  
87 A Mighty Fortress