

**Trinity Episcopal Church
New Castle, PA
Funeral Preplanning Information Form**

Please submit this document to the office; a copy will be made for your records.

“I am Resurrection and I am Life, says the Lord.”

As we transition from one life to the next our loved ones are left with so many questions and decisions. Our desire is always to honor the life of those who are no longer with us but now rest with our Lord. This document was created to aid the planning process for Episcopal burial, based on the Book of Common Prayer. This is a preliminary document and is supplemental in consultation with the priest or deacon in the planning process.

Name _____ Contact # _____

Spouse _____ Contact # _____

Child(ren) _____ Contact # _____

Funeral Director & Home _____

Preplanned: Yes or No

Living Will: Yes or No

Viewing or Visitation Hours are welcome to be hosted in the church at an agreed upon time by the clergy.

Special instructions for Viewing or Visitation Hours:

*If Trinity is used in any capacity, a Building Use Agreement form must be signed and submitted to the parish office.

Burial Rite based on The Book of Common Prayer
The Services for Burial can be found in the Prayer Book on p. 469

Location of service:

In the Episcopal Church, there are 2 versions of the Burial Rite – Rite I (old King James language) and Rite II (contemporary language). Please indicate which version would you prefer to use:

Rite I

Rite II

Communion may also be celebrated in the Burial Rite. Please indicate if you would also like to include Communion. Yes or No

The Prayer Book has suggested readings for Burials, which may be found here:

From the Old Testament

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

Isaiah 61:1-3 (To comfort those who mourn)

Lamentations 3:22-26,31-33 (The Lord is good to those who wait for him)

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: 42:1-7, 46, 90:1-12, 121, 130, 139:1-11.

From the New Testament

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 (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 make all things new)

A suitable psalm, hymn, or canticle may follow. The following Psalms are appropriate: 23, 27, 106:1-5, 116.

The Gospel

John 5:24-27 (He who believes has everlasting life)

John 6:37-40 (All that the Father gives me will come to you)

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)

Other Scripture may be used at the discretion of the clergy.

Music is another way to bring comfort and peace in a Service of Burial, but it is not mandatory. All music must be approved by the clergy. If you would like to contact our organist for music, you may find that information in the Parish Office. The fee for the organist is \$100 and must be paid directly, not via the church.

If you choose to have music, we invite you to list below some favorite hymns you would like to have played and/or sung:

Incense may also be used. Please indicate if you would like to have incense: Yes or No
You may also include any special music, poetry, readings, etc into the service, in consultation with the clergy. Please indicate that here:

We do encourage participation from family or friends in the service as a way to incorporate others in the service as readers, musicians, chalice bearers (if applicable), soloists, other participating clergy or other duties as assigned. Please list your desired participants and their roles here:

Trinity Church does have a Columbarium where ashes are laid to rest. You may reserve slots by contacting the office. Each slot in the Columbarium, which includes the urn, is \$700. The funeral home will need the urn at the time of cremation. If for any reason something would happen to the church, those ashes would be moved to a location agreed upon by both family and the Diocese.

If you would like the clergy to preside over the graveside Committal, please indicate that here and where that will be located.

Graveside committal: Yes or No

Cemetery _____

Columbarium _____

We also acknowledge and recognize those who have served our nation. If you would like to incorporate any military honors, that is typically done at the end of the service.

Veterans Organization: Location _____

Color Guard _____ Contact _____

There are a couple of options for a reception following the service – the Hospitality Room for smaller gatherings and the Guild Hall for larger gatherings. See our Building Use Agreement form. If you would like to host a reception, you may contact our coordinator for receptions via the Parish Office. Donations towards the reception are appropriate and appreciated.

Funeral reception after the service: Yes or No
Special requests for the reception:

Any other thoughts, requests, concerns, etc.

Print Name

Date

Signature

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****This is not a legal document, nor is it binding****

This is a tool to help you and/or your loved ones prepare in funeral decision making by alleviating uncertainty and can be changed at any time.