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## **A Funeral/Memorial Service Planning Guide**

## Why We Created this Guide

We know how difficult planning a funeral/memorial service can be. We hope that this guide will help you in the planning of an Episcopal Funeral Service here at Saint Timothy’s Episcopal Church. Whether you are seeking counsel for preplanning or if you are in the midst of a recent loss, we are here to help you through the process.

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## Funeral Service Planning Checklist

We want you to know that we are here for you during this time of loss. It is our goal to help you during this entire process, providing practical guidance in the planning of the service as well as support you spiritually. We also offer support in preplanning for those members and friends of Saint Timothy's who are documenting their own wishes for the future.

✓	Checklist Items
	<p><b>1. Your first step when a family member passes is to contact a funeral home to handle the arrangements.</b>  <i>We provide contact information for a few funeral homes in the local area in this guide (page 4). The Funeral Home Director/employees are there to serve you and can help you with planning.</i></p>
	<p><b>2. Contact Saint Timothy's to check for availability.</b>  <i>Call the church office at 703.437.3790 to inquire about Clergy availability to perform the service as well as the availability of the church if you are requesting to hold the service at Saint Timothy's. In addition, we will check the availability of our church musician to provide music support. If not, we will provide you with a few contacts for music. Musician fees will be discussed with you and payment can be made directly to the musician (page 5). You will receive a copy of the "Funeral Intake Guide" (separate document) to aid you in the process.</i></p>
	<p><b>3. Review Pertinent Paperwork.</b>  <i>Ensure to review any documentation from the deceased regarding the funeral service. Some people have preferences that they make known in such documentation. Also discuss the service with close family and friends with whom they may have shared final wishes, like certain hymns to be sung or scriptures to be read.</i></p>
	<p><b>4. Clergy will set up a meeting with you.</b>  <i>Please bring a completed copy of the <b>Funeral Intake Guide with you.</b> Please also review the order of service from the Book of Common Prayer provided in this guide. Choices (<i>indicated in red</i>) that will need to be made in the service are outlined in shaded text boxes. The outline provided (page 6) is in more modern language (Rite II) and does not include Communion. If the family is requesting the Rite I service and/or Communion, please let the Clergy know.</i></p>
	<p><b>5. Hymn Selection</b>  <i>In conjunction with the Musician, the Clergy will help you with your selection of hymns. Common funeral hymn selections are provided in this guide (page 15).</i></p>
	<p><b>6. Submit obituary and photo to the church office at <a href="mailto:office@saint-timothys.org">office@saint-timothys.org</a>.</b>  <i>If there will be a printed bulletin for the service, submit an obituary and a jpeg photo (if desired for the front of the bulletin). The church will provide copies of the bulletin.</i></p>
	<p><b>7. Plan for the reception.</b>  <i>If Saint Timothy's is hosting the service, we offer punch or lemonade and a cookie platter. Anything more than a cookie platter will need to be provided. We have included a couple of caterer's contact information in this guide (page 4).</i></p>

## Funeral Homes, Florists, and Caterers

The following list includes businesses located in Herndon and surrounding areas. Businesses listed are not an endorsement of their services, but are included for your convenience.

### Local Funeral Homes

#### **Adams Green**

721 Elden St.  
Herndon, VA 20170  
703.437.1764

[www.adamsgreen.com/](http://www.adamsgreen.com/)

#### **Money & King**

171 Maple Ave. W  
Vienna, VA 22180  
703.938.7440

[www.moneyandking.com/](http://www.moneyandking.com/)

#### **Fairfax Memorial**

9902 Braddock Road  
Fairfax, VA 22032  
703.425.9702

[www.fairfaxmemorialfuneralhome.com](http://www.fairfaxmemorialfuneralhome.com)

### Local Florists<sup>1</sup>

#### **Herndon Florist**

1675 Reston Pkwy  
Reston, VA 20194  
703.437.4990

[www.herndonflorist.com/](http://www.herndonflorist.com/)

#### **Karin's Florist**

527 Maple Ave E,  
Vienna, VA 22180  
703.281.4141

<https://www.karinsflorist.com/>

#### **Bundle of Roses**

763 Elden St.  
Herndon, VA 20170  
703.904.7673

[www.bundleofroses.com](http://www.bundleofroses.com)

### Local Caterers

#### **Amphora Catering**

1141 Elden St.  
Herndon, VA 20170  
703.938.3800

[www.amphoracatering.com](http://www.amphoracatering.com)

#### **Wegman's**

11950 Hopper St,  
Reston, VA 20191  
703.621.2400

[www.wegmans.com/stores/reston-va](http://www.wegmans.com/stores/reston-va)

#### **Cafesano Catering**

11130 South Lakes Dr.  
Reston, VA 20191  
703.391.2100

[www.cafesano.com](http://www.cafesano.com)

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<sup>1</sup> 1-2 flower arrangements may be placed on the retable (the area behind the altar) and the floor area beneath the altar, but not directly upon the altar. Likewise, no flowers are to be placed on the casket/urn while in the sanctuary. Flowers may always go outside the sanctuary or in the Reception venue. Any questions, please contact the St. Timothy's Altar Guild (Altarguild@saint-timothys.org)

## **Other Guidelines for Funerals Held at St. Timothy's Church**

### **Fees**

A donation to the church is customary but not required for church members. The standard fee for the church musician is \$300. Preparation with an instrumentalist or soloist is an additional \$75.00. This should be in the form of a check paid directly to the musician. The Family is responsible for costs associated with the flowers and with the Reception (if the latter is beyond coffee and cookies.)

For non-church members, Henry Hall may be used for a reception for a fee. Additionally, Livestream capabilities exist for the service in the sanctuary and can be reserved for a fee (provided there is availability of our Livestream producers.)

### **Guest Book**

You may place a guest book in the narthex for guests to signed. The guest book may be moved to Henry Hall if a reception follows the funeral. Guests may sign as they arrive or as they wait in the receiving line.

### **Rehearsal**

We do not typically hold rehearsals for funerals (see page 15 for music rehearsals.) However, scripture readers and those sharing remembrances would benefit from practicing prior to the funeral.

### **Seating**

Reserved seating will be arranged for select family and friends near the front of the sanctuary, marked off by a rope.

## Order of Service from *The Book of Common Prayer (Rite II)*<sup>2</sup>

### *Concerning the Service*

The death of a member of the Church should be reported as soon as possible to, and arrangements for the funeral should be made in consultation with, the Minister of the Congregation.

Baptized Christians are properly buried from the church. The service should be held at a time when the congregation has opportunity to be present.

The coffin is to be closed before the service, and it remains closed thereafter. It is appropriate that it be covered with a pall or other suitable covering.

If necessary, or if desired, all or part of the service of Committal may be said in the church. If preferred, the Committal service may take place before the service in the church. It may also be used prior to cremation.

A priest normally presides at the service. It is appropriate that the bishop, when present, preside at the Eucharist and pronounce the Commendation.

It is desirable that the Lesson from the Old Testament, and the Epistle, be read by lay persons.

When the services of a priest cannot be obtained, a deacon or lay reader may preside at the service.

It is customary that the celebrant meet the body and go before it into the church or towards the grave.

The anthems at the beginning of the service are sung or said as the body is borne into the church, or during the entrance of the ministers, or by the celebrant standing in the accustomed place.

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<sup>2</sup> Pg. 490 (or here: <https://www.bcponline.org/PastoralOffices/concernburial2.html>); If you prefer Rite I (traditional language), it can be found on pg. 468 or here: [The Burial of the Dead: Rite I \(bcponline.org\)](https://www.bcponline.org/PastoralOffices/concernburial1.html)

## The Burial of the Dead: Rite II<sup>3</sup>

(Choose one of the following)

### Choice 1

I am Resurrection and I am Life, says the Lord. Whoever has faith in me shall have life, even though he die. And everyone who has life, and has committed himself to me in faith, shall not die for ever.

As for me, I know that my Redeemer lives and that at the last he will stand upon the earth. After my awaking, he will raise me up; and in my body I shall see God. I myself shall see, and my eyes behold him who is my friend and not a stranger.

For none of us has life in himself, and none becomes his own master when he dies. For if we have life, we are alive in the Lord, and if we die, we die in the Lord. So, then, whether we live or die, we are the Lord's possession.

Happy from now on are those who die in the Lord! So it is, says the Spirit, for they rest from their labors.

### Choice 2

In the midst of life we are in death; from whom can we seek help? From you alone, O Lord, who by our sins are justly angered.

***Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy and merciful Savior, deliver us not into the bitterness of eternal death.***

Lord, you know the secrets of our hearts; shut not your ears to our prayers, but spare us, O Lord.

***Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy and merciful Savior, deliver us not into the bitterness of eternal death.***

O worthy and eternal Judge, do not let the pains of death turn us away from you at our last hour.

***Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy and merciful Savior, deliver us not into the bitterness of eternal death.***

*When all are in place, the Celebrant may address the congregation, acknowledging briefly the purpose of their gathering, and bidding their prayers for the deceased and the bereaved.*

*Silence may be kept; after which the Celebrant says one of the following Collects*

(Choose one)

### Choice 1

O God, who by the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ destroyed death, and brought life and immortality to light: Grant that your servant *N.*, being raised with him, may know the strength of his presence, and rejoice in his eternal glory; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. ***Amen.***

### Choice 2

O God, whose mercies cannot be numbered: Accept our prayers on behalf of your servant *N.*, and grant *him* an entrance into the land of light and joy, in the fellowship of your saints; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. ***Amen.***

### Choice 3

O God of grace and glory, we remember before you this day our brother (sister) *N.* We thank you for giving *him* to us, *his* family and friends, to know and to love as a companion on our earthly pilgrimage. In your boundless compassion, console us who mourn. Give us faith to see in death the gate of eternal life, so that in quiet confidence we may continue our course on earth, until, by your call, we are reunited with those who have gone before; through Jesus Christ our Lord. ***Amen.***

<sup>3</sup> (<https://www.bcponline.org/PastoralOffices/BurialII.html>).

## The Liturgy of the Word

One or more of the following passages from Holy Scripture is read. If there is to be a Communion, a passage from the Gospel always concludes the Readings.

### The Old Testament Reading: (Choose One)

#### Isaiah 25:6-9

On this mountain the Lord of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-matured wines, of rich food filled with marrow, of well-matured wines strained clear. And he will destroy on this mountain the shroud that is cast over all peoples, the sheet that is spread over all nations; he will swallow up death for ever.

Then the Lord God will wipe away the tears from all faces, and the disgrace of his people he will take away from all the earth, for the Lord has spoken. It will be said on that day, Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him, so that he might save us. This is the Lord for whom we have waited; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.

#### Isaiah 61:1-3

The spirit of the Lord God is upon me, because the Lord has anointed me; he has sent me to bring good news to the oppressed, to bind up the broken-hearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and release to the prisoners; to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor, and the day of vengeance of our God; to comfort all who mourn; to provide for those who mourn in Zion—to give them a garland instead of ashes, the oil of gladness instead of mourning, the mantle of praise instead of a faint spirit. They will be called oaks of righteousness, the planting of the Lord, to display his glory.

#### Lamentations 3:22-26,31-33

The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases, his mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness. "The Lord is my portion," says my soul, "therefore I will hope in him."

The Lord is good to those who wait for him, to the soul that seeks him. It is good that one should wait quietly for the salvation of the Lord. For the Lord will not reject for ever. Although he causes grief, he will have compassion according to the abundance of his steadfast love; for he does not willingly afflict or grieve anyone.

#### Wisdom 3:1-5, 9

But the souls of the righteous are in the hand of God, and no torment will ever touch them. In the eyes of the foolish they seemed to have died, and their departure was thought to be a disaster, and their going from us to be their destruction; but they are at peace. For though in the sight of others they were punished, their hope is full of immortality. Having been disciplined a little, they will receive great good, because God tested them and found them worthy of himself; like gold in the furnace he tried them, and like a sacrificial burnt offering he accepted them. In the time of their visitation they will shine forth, and will run like sparks through the stubble. They will govern nations and rule over peoples, and the Lord will reign over them forever. Those who trust in him will understand truth, and the faithful will abide with him in love, because grace and mercy are upon his holy ones, and he watches over his elect.

#### Job 19:21-27a

Have pity on me, have pity on me, O you my friends, for the hand of God has touched me! Why do you, like God, pursue me, never satisfied with my flesh?

‘O that my words were written down! O that they were inscribed in a book! O that with an iron pen and with lead they were engraved on a rock for ever! For I know that my Redeemer\* lives, and that at the last he will stand upon the earth; and after my skin has been thus destroyed, then in my flesh I shall see God, whom I shall see on my side, and my eyes shall behold, and not another. My heart faints within me!

**Psalms: (Choose One)** *A suitable psalm, hymn, or canticle may follow. The following Psalms are appropriate: 23, 27, 42:1-7, 46, 90:1-12, 106:1-5, 116, 121, 130, 139:1-11.*



## The New Testament Reading: (Choose One or None)

### Romans 8:14-19,34-35,37-39

For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, ‘Abba!\* Father!’ it is that very Spirit bearing witness\* with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ—if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory about to be revealed to us. For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the children of God; Who is to condemn? It is Christ Jesus, who died, yes, who was raised, who is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us.\* Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will hardship, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword?

No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, 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.

### 1 Corinthians 15:20-26,35-38,42-44,53-58

But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died.\* For since death came through a human being, the resurrection of the dead has also come through a human being; for as all die in Adam, so all will be made alive in Christ. But each in his own order: Christ the first fruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ. Then comes the end,\* when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father, after he has destroyed every ruler and every authority and power. For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. The last enemy to be destroyed is death.

But someone will ask, ‘How are the dead raised? With what kind of body do they come?’ Fool! What you sow does not come to life unless it dies. And as for what you sow, you do not sow the body that is to be, but a bare seed, perhaps of wheat or of some other grain. But God gives it a body as he has chosen, and to each kind of seed its own body.

So it is with the resurrection of the dead. What is sown is perishable, what is raised is imperishable. It is sown in dishonor, it is raised in glory. It is sown in weakness, it is raised in power. It is sown a physical body, it is raised a spiritual body. If there is a physical body, there is also a spiritual body. For this perishable body must put on imperishability, and this mortal body must put on immortality. When this perishable body puts on imperishability, and this mortal body puts on immortality, then the saying that is written will be fulfilled:

‘Death has been swallowed up in victory.’ ‘Where, O death, is your victory? Where, O death, is your sting?’

The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. Therefore, my beloved, be steadfast, immovable, always excelling in the work of the Lord, because you know that in the Lord your labor is not in vain.

### 2 Corinthians 4:16--5:9

So we do not lose heart. Even though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner nature is being renewed day by day. For this slight momentary affliction is preparing us for an eternal weight of glory beyond all measure, because we look not at what can be seen but at what cannot be seen; for what can be seen is temporary, but what cannot be seen is eternal.

For we know that if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens. For in this tent we groan, longing to be clothed with our heavenly dwelling—if indeed, when we have taken it off\* we will not be found naked. For while we are still in this tent, we groan under our burden, because we wish not to be unclothed but to be further clothed, so that what is mortal may be swallowed up by life. He who has prepared us for this very thing is God, who has given us the Spirit as a guarantee.

So we are always confident; even though we know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord—for we walk by faith, not by sight. Yes, we do have confidence, and we would rather be away from the body and at home with the Lord. So whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to please him.

### 1 John 3:1-2

See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is.

### Revelation 7:9-17

After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice, saying, 'Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!'

And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshipped God, singing, 'Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God for ever and ever! Amen.'

Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, 'Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?' I said to him, 'Sir, you are the one that knows.' Then he said to me, 'These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.'

For this reason they are before the throne of God, and worship him day and night within his temple, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them.

They will hunger no more, and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat; for the Lamb at the centre of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.'

### Revelation 21:2-7

And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, 'See, the home\* of God is among mortals.

He will dwell\* with them; they will be his peoples,\* and God himself will be with them;\* he will wipe every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away.'

And the one who was seated on the throne said, 'See, I am making all things new.' Also he said, 'Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true.' Then he said to me, 'It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give water as a gift from the spring of the water of life. Those who conquer will inherit these things, and I will be their God and they will be my children.'

**Gradual Hymn:** *A suitable psalm, hymn, or canticle may follow.* **(Choose a hymn from page 15.)**

**The Gospel Reading (Choose One)**

### John 5:24-27

Very truly, I tell you, anyone who hears my word and believes him who sent me has eternal life, and does not come under judgement, but has passed from death to life.

'Very truly, I tell you, the hour is coming, and is now here, when the dead will hear the voice of the Son of God, and those who hear will live. For just as the Father has life in himself, so he has granted the Son also to have life in himself; and he has given him authority to execute judgement, because he is the Son of Man.'

### John 6:37-40

Everything that the Father gives me will come to me, and anyone who comes to me I will never drive away; for I have come down from heaven, not to do my own will, but the will of him who sent me. And this is the will of him who sent me, that I should lose nothing of all that he has given me, but raise it up on the last day. This is indeed the

will of my Father, that all who see the Son and believe in him may have eternal life; and I will raise them up on the last day.'

### **John 10:11-16**

'I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. The hired hand, who is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away—and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. The hired hand runs away because a hired hand does not care for the sheep. I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father. And I lay down my life for the sheep. I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd.

### **John 11:21-27**

Martha said to Jesus, 'Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. But even now I know that God will give you whatever you ask of him.' Jesus said to her, 'Your brother will rise again.' Martha said to him, 'I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day.' Jesus said to her, 'I am the resurrection and the life.\* Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?' She said to him, 'Yes, Lord, I believe that you are the Messiah,\* the Son of God, the one coming into the world.'

### **John 14:1-6**

'Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe\* in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house there are many dwelling-places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you?\*' And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. And you know the way to the place where I am going.\*' Thomas said to him, 'Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?' Jesus said to him, 'I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.

## **Homily and Eulogy**

**(Family members may give a eulogy at this time. Eulogies must be under 5 minutes and must be written out beforehand.)**

*The Celebrant will then give the homily.*

## **Prayers of the People- (Choose One)**

*The following form of the Prayers of the People is used, or else the form on page 465 or 480.*

For our brother (sister) N., let us pray to our Lord Jesus Christ who said, "I am Resurrection and I am Life."

Lord, you consoled Martha and Mary in their distress; draw near to us who mourn for N., and dry the tears of those who weep.

**Hear us, Lord.**

You wept at the grave of Lazarus, your friend; comfort us in our sorrow.

**Hear us, Lord.**

You raised the dead to life; give to our brother (sister) eternal life.

**Hear us, Lord.**

You promised paradise to the thief who repented; bring our brother (sister) to the joys of heaven.

**Hear us, Lord.**

Our brother (sister) was washed in Baptism and anointed with the Holy Spirit; give *him* fellowship with all your saints.

**Hear us, Lord.**

*He* was nourished with your Body and Blood; grant *him* a place at the table in your heavenly kingdom.

**Hear us, Lord.**

Comfort us in our sorrows at the death of our brother (sister); let our faith be our consolation, and eternal life our hope.

*Silence may be kept.*

### **Additional Prayer (Choose One)**

#### **Choice 1**

Lord Jesus Christ, we commend to you our brother (sister) *N.*, who was reborn by water and the Spirit in Holy Baptism. Grant that *his* death may recall to us your victory over death, and be an occasion for us to renew our trust in your Father's love. Give us, we pray, the faith to follow where you have led the way; and where you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, to the ages of ages. **Amen.**

#### **Choice 2**

Father of all, we pray to you for *N.*, and for all those whom we love but see no longer. Grant to them eternal rest. Let light perpetual shine upon them. May *his* soul and the souls of all the departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. **Amen.**

*When there is no Communion, the service continues with the Commendation, or with the Committal.*

## **The Commendation**

**Hymn at the Commendation: (Choose one from page 15)**

**Prayer at the Commendation: (Choose one)**

**Choice 1** Choose one or more of the following:

Christ is risen from the dead, trampling down death by death, and giving life to those in the tomb.  
The Sun of Righteousness is gloriously risen, giving light to those who sat in darkness and in the shadow of death.  
The Lord will guide our feet into the way of peace, having taken away the sin of the world.  
Christ will open the kingdom of heaven to all who believe in his Name, saying, Come, O blessed of my Father; inherit the kingdom prepared for you.  
Into paradise may the angels lead you. At your coming may the martyrs receive you, and bring you into the holy city Jerusalem.

#### **Choice 2**

The Song of Zechariah, *Benedictus*

#### **Choice 3**

The Song of Simeon, *Nunc dimittis*

#### **Choice 4**

Christ our Passover, *Pascha nostrum*

## The Committal (Choose the following or one of those on pages 491-492)

Everyone the Father gives to me will come to me; I will never turn away anyone who believes in me. He who raised Jesus Christ from the dead will also give new life to our mortal bodies through his indwelling Spirit. My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spirit rejoices; my body also shall rest in hope. You will show me the path of life; in your presence there is fullness of joy, and in your right hand are pleasures for evermore.

## Exit Hymn: (Choose one from page 15)

## The Dismissal (Choose One)

### Choice 1

Alleluia. Christ is risen.

**People** *The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.*

*Celebrant* Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

**People** *Thanks be to God.*

### Choice 2

The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant: Make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight; through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory for ever and ever. **Amen.**

## The “Price Rubric”<sup>4</sup>

*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 rejoice that one we love has entered into the nearer presence of our Lord, we sorrow in sympathy with those who mourn.*

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<sup>4</sup> Authored by the Reverend Charles Price (1920-1999), this notation at the end of the Burial section in the prayerbook succinctly encapsulates the Anglican theology for funerals. See <https://www.beponline.org/PastoralOffices/burialorder.html>

## Assistance of the Organist

Our Organist, Todd Grivetti, will assist you with the selection of music alongside the clergy. He is open to your special requests and will work with any vocal or instrumental soloists or ensembles you may desire. Please contact him at your earliest convenience. His email is [music@saint-timothys.org](mailto:music@saint-timothys.org). Should you desire to use musicians other than our organist, please contact the clergy as soon as possible. Any visiting organist should contact Todd Grivetti to receive information on use of the organ.

## Hymn Selections (*Below are popular hymn selections used for funeral services.*)

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Guide me, O thou great Jehovah	1982 Hymnal <i>(Blue)</i>	690
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Jesus lives! Thy terrors now	1982 Hymnal <i>(Blue)</i>	194
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My God, thy table now is spread	1982 Hymnal <i>(Blue)</i>	321
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O worship the King, all glorious above!	1982 Hymnal <i>(Blue)</i>	388
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	<i>(green)</i>	
Rock of ages	1982 Hymnal <i>(Blue)</i>	685
The Christ who died but rose again	1982 Hymnal <i>(Blue)</i>	447
The King of love my shepherd is	1982 Hymnal <i>(Blue)</i>	645
The strife is o'er, the battle won	1982 Hymnal <i>(Blue)</i>	208
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