

The following checklist is provided as a funeral service planning guide.

_____ Rite I _____ Rite II

Music at the Entrance

_____ Organ Music _____
 _____ Hymn or Anthem _____

Opening Sentences (Anthems)

_____ Rite I, page 469
 _____ Rite II:
 _____ 1st anthem, page 491
 _____ 2nd anthem, page 492

Collects

_____ Rite I
 _____ Rite II:
 _____ 1st Prayer, page 493
 _____ 2nd Prayer
 _____ 3rd Prayer
 _____ Prayer for the bereaved, page 494

First Lesson (Optional, or choose one of the following) Reader: _____

_____ Isaiah 25:6-9 *The Lord will swallow up death forever.*
 _____ 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 hand of God*
 _____ Job 19:21-27a *I know that my Redeemer lives*

After the First Lesson (May be used as the Old Testament Reading. Choose one of the following)

_____ Hymn or anthem _____
 _____ Psalm 42:1-7 *My soul longs for God as a deer for the water-brooks*
 _____ Psalm 46 *God is our refuge and strength*
 _____ Psalm 90: 1-12 *Lord, you have been our refuge from one generation to another*
 _____ Psalm 121 *My help comes from the Lord, the maker of heaven and earth*
 _____ Psalm 130 *Out of the depths have I called to you, O Lord*
 _____ Psalm 139:1-11 *Lord, you have searched me out and known me*

Second Lesson (Choose one of the following) Reader: _____

_____ Romans 8:14-19, 34-35, 37-39 *Nothing can separate us from the love of God*
 _____ 1 Corinthians 15:20-26, 35-38, 42-45, 53-58 *The body raised in glory*
 _____ 2 Corinthians 4:16-5:9 *Things unseen are eternal*
 _____ Revelation 7:9-17 *God will wipe away every tear*
 _____ Revelation 21:2-7 *Behold, I make all things new*

After the Second Lesson (Choose one of the following)

- ☐ Hymn or Anthem _____
☐ Psalm 23 *The Lord is my shepherd*
☐ Rite I: The 1928 Prayer Book version (page 476 top) or
☐ Psalm 23 King James Version (page 476 bottom)
☐ Psalm 27 *The Lord is my light and my salvation*
☐ Psalm 106: 1-5 *Remember me, O Lord with the favor you have for your people*
☐ Psalm 116 *I will walk in the presence of the Lord in the land of the living*

Gospel (Choose one of the following)

- ☐ John 5:24-27 *He who believes has everlasting 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 mansions*

Homily

Preacher: _____

Creed**Prayers of the People**

- ☐ Vigil Prayers, page 465
☐ Rite I Prayers, page 480 (may also be used with Rite II)
☐ Rite II Prayers, page 497
☐ Other Prayers (when there is no Eucharist):

for the departed _____

for the bereaved _____

for the congregation _____

Celebration of the Eucharist

- ☐ No celebration
☐ Rite I
☐ Rite II

Preparation of the Bread and Wine for the Eucharist

☐ Organ Music _____

☐ Hymn or Anthem _____

☐ Persons bringing up the Bread and the Wine: _____

Eucharistic Prayer

- ☐ Rite I: Eucharistic Prayer I ☐ Rite I: Eucharistic Prayer II
☐ Rite II: Eucharistic Prayer A ☐ Rite II: Eucharistic Prayer B
☐ Rite II: Eucharistic Prayer C ☐ Rite III: Eucharistic Prayer D

Holy, Holy, Holy (Sanctus)

_____ said

_____ Sung Hymnal, S _____

Hymns or anthem during Communion:

Anthem at the Final Commendation of the deceased (if body or ashes are present)

_____ said (pages 482-483 or page 499)

_____ Hymn 358 *Christ the Victorious*_____ *Nunc Dimittis* (Song of Simeon, Rite 1: page 51; Rite II: page 93)**Final hymn or anthem**

Other requests (such as pallbearers, officiating clergy, and special circumstances)

A LIST OF SUGGESTED HYMNS FOR FUNERALS

The following list suggests hymns that seem especially suitable, but other hymns may be suitable as well.

If "favorite" hymns are chosen, care should be taken that their themes are appropriate for a funeral.

Metrical Versions of the Psalms

between the lessons and the Commendation at the end of the service

Psalm 23 645/646 The King of love my shepherd is

664 My Shepherd will supply my need

Psalm 42 658 As longs the deer for cooling streams

Psalm 46 687/688 A mighty fortress is our God

Psalm 90 680 O God our help in ages past

Anthem at the Commendation

358 Christ the victorious

Easter Hymns

178 Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord

180 He is risen, he is risen

194 Jesus lives, thy terrors now

208 Alleluia! The strife is O'er

All Saints Hymns

287 For all the saints, who from their labors rest
 526 Let saints on earth in concert sing
 618 Ye watchers and ye holy ones
 620 Jerusalem, my happy home
 625 Ye holy angels bright

Communion Hymns (A Selection)

303 I come with joy to meet my Lord
 335 I am the bread of life
 339 Deck thyself, my soul, with gladness
 357 Jesus, Son of Mary, fount of life alone

Other Hymns

390 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation
 397 Now thank we all our God
 447 The Christ who died and rose again
 482 Lord of all hopefulness
 487 Come my way, my truth, my life
 488 Be thou my vision
 490 I want to walk as a child of the light
 517 How lovely is thy dwelling place
 522 Glorious things of thee are spoken
 623 O what their joy and their glory must be
 636/637 How firm a foundation
 671 Amazing Grace
 686 Come, thou fount of every blessing
 690 Guide me, O thou great Jehovah
 692 I heard the voice of Jesus say

Information about the Eulogy:

Generally, a Burial Rite is a service that sends our loved one on to eternal life surrounded by our prayers and corporate worship. Eulogies or remembrances are most appropriate at the funeral home or wake for this reason.

If a family desires a time of spoken remembrance at the service, it should be no more than 5 minutes long—3 minutes is our usual guideline. Choose someone who will be able to get through the experience without losing composure if at all possible. Remarks should be written down and should be no longer than 2 typewritten pages. The focus on this time is to talk about the person and the extraordinary events that made them who they are. It is helpful to mention a person's faith practices if those are known.