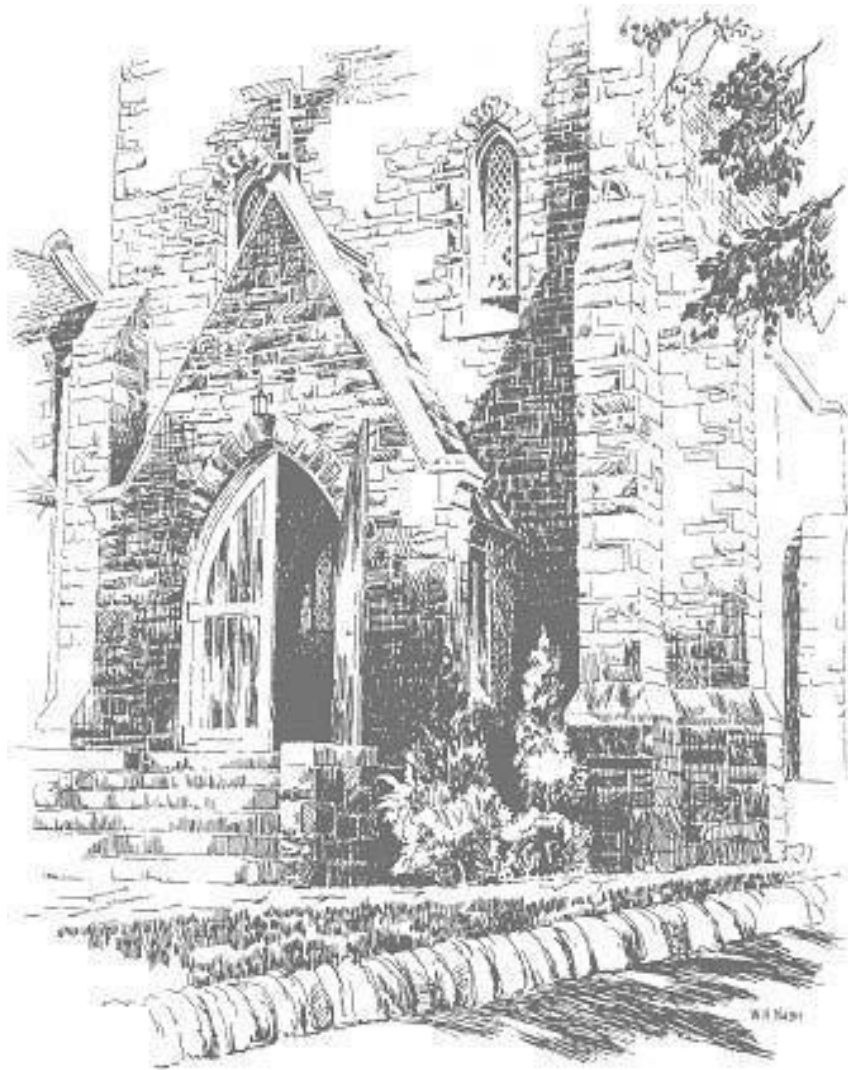




**ST. ALBAN'S CHURCH**



**A Guide for Funeral Planning at St. Alban's Church  
Washington, DC**

In preparation for planning a funeral or memorial, please think through the following questions:

1. Would you prefer to use **Rite I** (*Elizabethan English*) or **Rite II** (*Contemporary English*) for the service?
2. Would like to begin the service with one or more remembrances from family or friends?
3. Is there a specific members of the St. Alban's clergy team whom you would like to preach?
4. Will the service be a **funeral** (*a casket or ashes present*) or a **memorial** (*no casket or ashes present*)?
5. If a funeral, will there be an interment in our columbarium or in a cemetery following the service?
6. Would you prefer this to be a Eucharist, or would you prefer not to include Holy Communion?
7. Would you like the service to be livestreamed?
8. Would you like our organist to play the service? Do you have requests for other vocal or instrumental soloists?
9. Would you like to follow the service with a reception in either Nourse Hall or Satterley Assembly? If so, will this be catered?
10. Are there specific types of flowers to include in the arrangements? Would you like additional flower arrangements for a reception?
11. Please chose **one** reading **from each** of the following categories: **4 passages in total** (*if you would like to include a passage from the Old or New Testaments not listed below, please discuss this with our Rector. Readings from other sources such as poems, song lyrics, and passages from family*

*histories are not permitted in the Episcopal service, but can be very meaningful additions to the reception).*

***One passage from the Old Testament:***

- Isaiah 25:6-9 (He will swallow up death in victory)
- Isaiah 61:1-3 (To comfort all that mourn)
- Lamentations 3:22-26, 31-33 (The Lord is good unto them that 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 liveth)

***One Psalm:*** 23, 27, 106, 116

***One passage from the Epistles or Revelation:***

- 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 (Raised in incorruption)
- 2 Corinthians 4:16-5:9 (Things which are not seen are eternal)
- 1 John 3:1-2 (We shall be like him)
- Revelation 7:9-17 (God shall wipe away all tears)
- Revelation 21:2-7 (Behold, I make all things new)

***One passage from the Gospels:***

- John 5:24-27 (He that believeth hath everlasting life)
- John 6:37-40 (All that the Father giveth me shall 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)

*7. If a Eucharist, please chose 4 hymns from the 1982 Hymnal. If a non-Eucharistic service, please choose 2-3 hymns from the 1982 Hymnal  
The following hymns are suggested as being particularly appropriate for a funeral, but any hymn from the Episcopal Church's 1982 Hymnal is welcome. If you would like to include a piece of sacred music not found in the Hymnal, a soloist or instrumentalist is welcome to perform it as the offertory anthem. Non-sacred music, be it Mozart or Aretha Franklin, is most welcome at the reception!*

151 From deepest woe I cry to thee  
194/195 Jesus lives!  
208 Alleluia! The strife is o'er the battle done  
287 For all the saints, who from their labors rest  
326 From glory to glory advancing  
338 Wherefore, O father, we thy humble servants  
354 Into paradise may the angels lead you  
355 Give rest, O Christ, to your servant  
356 May choirs of angels lead you to Paradise on high  
357 Jesus, Son of Mary  
358 Christ the Victorious, give to your servants  
429 I'll praise my Maker while I've breath  
444 Blessed be the God of Israel  
447 The Christ who died but rose again  
455/456 O Love of God, how strong and true  
487 Come, my Way, my truth, my Life  
499 Lord God, you now have set your servant free  
517 How lovely is thy dwelling-place  
560 Remember your servants, Lord  
620 Jerusalem, my happy home  
621/622 Light's abode, celestial Salem  
623 O what their joy and their glory must be  
625 Ye holy angels bright  
635 If thou but trust in God to guide thee  
636/637 How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord  
645-646 The King of love my shepherd is  
658 As longs the deer for cooling streams  
663 The Lord my God my shepherd is  
664 My shepherd will supply my need  
665 All my hope on God is founded

## Fees:

The fee for standard flower arrangements is \$250 with additional costs for special requests. The fee for music include the parish organist at \$400 with additional fees for any rehearsals required and for any additional musicians (soloists, instrumentalists, etc.) The Church Office can put you in touch with the organist and flower guild. An honorarium of \$500 for presiding clergy is normative but not obligatory. If livestreaming is required, a producer to broadcast the service is \$400. If you wish to hold a reception in one of our halls following the liturgy the cost is an additional \$400 including sexton services. There may be other costs associated with any special requests you have which we will pass on to you.