

### **Funeral Planning Guidelines**

We realize this is a very difficult time for you and your family, so we offer these guidelines as a way to reduce the number of things of which are having to keep track. Please let us know if there are other ways we can support you.

### Office Contact:

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### The Funeral/Memorial Service:

- Planning the service:
  - A member of our clergy team will meet with you and provide a list of recommended **scripture** passages and hymns.
  - If you choose to have **music**, all musicians will be coordinated through the Director of Music Ministries
  - You will also be asked:
    - Whether you want:
      - **Rite I** (traditional language using thee/thou) **or Rite II** (contemporary language)
      - Communion
      - Family/friends to read Scripture
        - Note that we won't print anybody's name in the service leaflet, so should someone opt not to read at the last minute, an altar party member will read instead
      - Approximately how many attendees we should expect
        - And how many pews should be reserved for immediate family members

#### • Flowers:

- You may choose to hire an outside florist. Please coordinate with the office to assure size restrictions and make delivery arrangements, or...
- We recommend you use the flowers provided by our Altar Guild as they will then become a lovely memorial to your loved one at the Sunday worship services

- Service Leaflets will be printed for you, including:
  - Memorial Donations
    - Listing the entity of your choice
  - o Photos:
    - If you would like a photograph of your loved one on the front of the service leaflet, please provide an electronic copy to: <u>contact@standrewsepiscopal.org</u>
      - Photos including family members can be used in other displays, but this should be a photo of just the individual
      - If you need help with cropping the photo, the office staff will try their best to help
    - Other photo displays work best either in the Narthex (at the entrance of the main church), and/or in the Parish Hall
      - No photos will be displayed in the worship area

## • Guest book

- Although we are not able to provide one, you will likely want to display a guestbook along with a nice pen
  - We recommend placing it first in the Narthex of the church (we have a stand)
  - Then moving it over to the Parish Hall for the reception

# A Reception in the Parish Hall:

- Paper Goods
  - Please provide any of the paper/plastic goods you will need, including:
    - Cutlery
    - Hot/cold Cups, plates and napkins

### Coffee

- Our Coffee Team will provide and prepare coffee
- They are available to greet the caterer, but cannot be responsible for set-up or tear-down of food
- They will also put the coffee urns away toward the end of the reception
- Food
  - You are free to provide any food you want, including hiring a caterer of your choice
  - Please note that the food will need to be set-up by the caterer or one of your family members

### • Videos or photo displays

- Although photographs are not appropriate in the main church/worship area, having a display at the reception is highly recommended
- If you want to show a video or slide show, please provide a laptop
  - We have a large TV screen
  - And the necessary cables for both PC & Mac

### • Sharing stories/memories

- Remembering your loved one by sharing favorite memories is most appropriate at the reception
- We will provide a corded microphone to use
- Clean-up
  - While our custodian will move tables back into place, empty the garbage and clean the floors, we ask that you clear away all left-overs and decorations.

### Fees:

As part of our Pastoral Care ministries, there are no fees associated with the planning of the service, the role of the officiant/clergy, the use of the facilities and equipment, or the printing of the service leaflets. Other fees, however, include:

### • Music:

- If an organist/pianist is required, there will be an honorarium of \$175 (\$225 if playing with a vocalist)
- If a vocalist is required that person's fee will be communicated
- Cleaning:
  - If the reception is held in the Parish Hall, there will be a \$40 cleaning charge
- Flowers:
  - If you choose to use the flowers provided by our Altar Guild, we encourage you to make a donation in your loved one's honor
    - An acknowledgement of your contribution of flowers will be printed in our Sunday worship service leaflet