



University Lutheran Church and Student Center

Funeral/memorial Planning Sheet

Name: _____

(please print)

As Christian people, we greet death in the trust and promise of the resurrection. Therefore, the funeral/memorial service, while personal, is also a time to offer worship to God. It is in this spirit of worship that we also celebrate the God-given life and journey of our Christian brothers and sisters. Through scripture, hymns, prayers, tears, laughter and memories we give thanks to God – the author and sustainer of all life.

Confident of Jesus' promise of resurrection and eternal life, I entrust myself to his eternal care and offer this information to those who will one day prepare my funeral/memorial service. While I understand that this is not a legal or binding document, I indicate these choices as a testimony of my faith and hope.

My desire is to have my body:

buried_____ cremated____ donated to science_____ other_____

My desire is to have my funeral/memorial service at:

church_____ funeral home____ graveside_____ other_____

I desire Holy Communion to be celebrated at my service:

yes_____ no_____

Scripture passages that are meaningful to me (usually 2 lessons, a psalm and Gospel):

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

4. _____

Hymns and/or songs that are dear to me (usually 2 or 3 are sung):

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

4. _____

Other Music (solos, anthems, instrumental pieces) that is special to me:

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

4. _____

Pallbearers (usually 6 are required; please include telephone numbers):

1. _____

2. _____

- 3. _____
- 4. _____
- 5. _____
- 6. _____
- 7. _____
- 8. _____

I desire any memorial gifts be designated to:

Additional information I would like to share:

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

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***This completed sheet should be returned to the church office in order that your family need not worry about locating it.
The information on the next sheet is voluntary.
You may choose to submit it to the office, keep it with your other important papers, or discard the blank form.***

Biographical Information (*optional*)

Full name (*include middle or maiden name*) _____

Date of Birth: _____ **Place of Birth:** _____

Mother: _____

Father: _____

Sisters/Brothers: _____

Spouse/Partner: _____

Date of Marriage: _____ **Place of Marriage:** _____

Children: _____

Grandchildren: _____

Great-grandchildren: _____

Schools attended: _____

Occupation(s): _____

Organizational memberships; church memberships; hobbies/special interests:

Legal/Financial Check-list (*optional*)

_____ **Do you have an up-to-date will, valid in Oklahoma?**

_____ **Do you have a Living Will?**

_____ **Does your primary care physician have a copy of your Living Will?**

_____ **Do you have a durable power of attorney for health care or financial matters?**

_____ **Are the above documents, bank accounts, investment information and safety deposit box(es) immediately accessible to your survivors?**

_____ **Have you discussed the location of these documents with your family?**

Burial/Cremation Arrangements (*optional*)

If there is a time of visitation with the family, do you wish it be held at the church, funeral home or your home?

Preferred time and day for visitation: _____

If there is a time of visitation with the family, do you prefer an open or closed casket?

If you prefer cremation, what do you want for the disposition of ashes?

Do you have a preferred funeral home? If so, please specify.

Do you own a burial plot? If so, please list the location and lot number.

Do you have a pre-paid funeral plan? _____

Suggested Passages of Scripture for Funeral/Memorial Services

God's word is a source of strength and comfort in both life and at death. A typical funeral/memorial service includes two readings, a psalm and a gospel. Appropriate verses include, but are not limited to, the following:

Psalm 23	<i>The Lord is my shepherd</i>
Psalm 27	<i>The Lord is my light and my salvation</i>
Psalm 31	<i>In you, O Lord, I seek refuge</i>
Psalm 42:1-7	<i>As a deer longs for flowing streams</i>
Psalm 46:1-7	<i>God is our refuge and strength</i>
Psalm 91	<i>You who live in the shelter of the most high (On Eagle's Wings)</i>
Psalm 103	<i>Bless the Lord, O my soul</i>
Psalm 118	<i>God's steadfast love endures forever</i>
Psalm 121	<i>I lift up my eyes to the hills</i>
Psalm 130	<i>Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord</i>
Psalm 139	<i>O Lord, you have searched me and known me</i>
Psalm 143	<i>Hear my prayer, O Lord; give ear to my supplication</i>
Psalm 145:13-21	<i>The Lord is faithful in all his words</i>

OLD TESTAMENT

Job 19:23-27a	<i>I know that my redeemer lives</i>
Ecclesiastes 3:1-15	<i>For everything there is a season</i>
Isaiah 25:6-9	<i>God will swallow up death forever</i>
Isaiah 40:1-11, 28-31	<i>Comfort, O comfort my people</i>
Isaiah 41:10	<i>Do not be afraid, for I am with you</i>
Isaiah 43:1-3a, 18-19, 25	<i>I am about to do a new thing</i>
Isaiah 44:6-8	<i>I am the first and the last</i>
Isaiah 49:13b-16a	<i>God will not forget you</i>
Isaiah 54:10	<i>The Lord has compassion on you</i>
Isaiah 55:1-3, 6-13	<i>Everyone who thirsts, come to the waters</i>
Isaiah 61:1-3	<i>The spirit of the Lord is upon me</i>
Jeremiah 31:8-13	<i>I will turn their mourning into joy</i>
Lamentations 3:22-26, 31-33	<i>The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases</i>

APOCRYPHA

Wisdom 3:1-6, 9
Wisdom 4:7-15

*The souls of the just are in the hand of God
The just, though they die early, shall be at rest*

NEW TESTAMENT

Romans 5:1-11
Romans 8:26-30
Romans 8:31-39
Romans 14:7-9
1 Corinthians 15:3-8, 12-20
1 Corinthians 15:20-26
1 Corinthians 15:51-58
2 Corinthians 4:7-18
2 Corinthians 4:16-5:9
Ephesians 2:4-10
1 Thessalonians 4:13-14, 18
Hebrews 12:1-2
1 Peter 1:3-9
Revelation 7:9-17
Revelation 13:12-13
Revelation 21:2-7
Revelation 22:1-5

*We are justified by faith
The spirit helps us in our weakness
Nothing shall separate us from God
Whether we live or die, we are the Lord's
Christ died and rose again
Christ has been raised, the first fruits of those who have died
Where, O death, is your victory?
We have this treasure in clay jars
We walk by faith, not by sight
By grace we have been saved through faith
We do not want you to be uninformed about those who have died
We are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses
Living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ
God will wipe away every tear
Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord
I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem
The Lord God will be their light*

GOSPEL

Matthew 5:1-10
Matthew 11:25-30
Mark 16:1-7
Luke 24:1-9, 36-43
Luke 1:1-5, 9-14
John 3:16-21
John 6:37-40
John 10:11-16
John 10:27-29
John 11:21-27
John 14:1-6
John 14:25-27

*Blessed are those who mourn
Come to me, all you who are weary
The resurrection of Christ
The resurrection of Christ
The light shines in the darkness
For God so loved the world
I will raise them up on the last day
I am the good shepherd
My sheep hear my voice
I am the resurrection and the life
In my Father's house are many rooms
Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you*

"Those who believe in me, Even though they die, will live..." John 11:25