A Planning Guide
For Your
Christian Burial

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Name

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Concerning the Burial Rite

The Book of Common Prayer (BCP) reminds us that,

“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, not 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.”

(BCP p. 507)

With that joy of the resurrection in mind, it is the duty of every Episcopalian to make necessary arrangements to the inevitability of death.

Eastern Shore Chapel is most happy to assist you with this prior planning, and we sincerely hope that this booklet will help you to make many of the decisions necessary so that your individual wishes may be honored and observed.

We suggest that you either work on this booklet in the privacy of your home or schedule a meeting with clergy to complete it.

Burial Booklets are kept confidential and on file in the church office. When you file your copy of your Burial Plan in the church office, a copy will be made at that time for your own personal files. Please keep your copy with your other important papers wherever you store them. This booklet is intended to assist your survivors and clergy in making arrangements at the time of your death. The information in the booklet may be changed or updated as you wish.

Please feel free to contact ESC clergy with any questions or concerns you may have concerning this booklet.
The death of a member of Eastern Shore Chapel should be reported as soon as possible to, and arrangements for funeral should be made in consultation with, the clergy.

Who would most likely report your death to the church?

Name: ______________________________________________ relationship: ________________

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(If you need more space, please submit an additional page with name & relationship.)

If you have made prior arrangements with a funeral home, please list details below:

___ No, I have not made arrangements with a funeral home.

___ Yes, I have made arrangements with:

Funeral Home: ________________________________________________________________

Address: _____________________________________________________________________

Phone number: ________________ Contact name: ________________________________
Who do you wish us to contact concerning any questions not answered in this booklet?

Name: ____________________________ Relationship: _____________ Phone: _________
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(If you need more space, please submit an additional page with name, relationship, and phone.)

What arrangements have you made for your body?

___ Cremation with urn

___ Body with casket

___ Other (please specify): ______________________________________________________

Where are you to be buried?

___ Eastern Shore Chapel Cemetery (Please contact Mike Brown, ESC Cemetery Manager at 757-422-1287, or e mail esccemetry@gmail.com)

___ Other (please specify): ______________________________________________________

Flowers
If you prefer to have flowers on the altar for the service, you have two options to manage this: have the ESC flower guild provide the altar flowers (Honorarium applies), or purchase your own flowers independently from ESC for the altar. We suggest two matching arrangements for the shelf behind the altar.

Please specify your preference concerning flowers:

___ The ESC Flower Guild provides the altar flowers.

___ I will provide my own altar flowers which I will purchase.

Specific flower(s) requested ____________________________________________________
Do you wish the Holy Eucharist (Communion) to be celebrated as part of the service?

___ Yes  ___ No

To assist us in planning for the congregation, please provide the estimated number of attendees:

_____ Immediate Family

_____ Guests

If a coffin is present, it is to remain closed. It is appropriate that it be covered with a pall or flag.

Are you a member of or retired from the Armed Forces?

___ Yes  ___ No

If yes, are there special arrangements you prefer? (Please list all that apply).

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There are two choices for Burial Rites in the Book of Common Prayer (BCP). Rite I and Rite II. In the next several pages of this booklet you will be asked to express your preference concerning the actual burial rite as found in the BCP, beginning on page 469. The BCP is also accessible online at www.bcponline.org (page numbers may vary).

It is customary that the Celebrant meet the body and go before it into the church. The family normally gathers in the Parlor at the appointed time.
The Burial of the Dead: Rite II (BCP p. 491) begins with the Opening Sentences, please choose the one you prefer:

___ “I am the Resurrection and I am Life…” (BCP p. 491)

___ “In the midst of life we are in death…” (BCP p. 492)

These opening anthems (p. 491) at the beginning of the service are spoken as the body is borne into the church, or during the entrance of the ministers, or, if there is a processional hymn, by the Celebrant standing at the foot of the Chancel.

Do you prefer a Processional Hymn into the church?

___ Yes  ___ No

If yes, please specify which hymn
______________________________________________________________________________
______________________________________________________________________________

Rite II continues with one of the three collects, which do you prefer?

___ “O God, who by glorious resurrection…” (BCP p. 493)

___ “O God, whose mercies cannot be numbered…” (BCP p. 493)

___ “O God of grace and glory…” (BCP p. 493)

After another Collect is read by the Celebrant, the people sit for the Liturgy of the Word (BCP p. 494). One or more of the following passages from Holy Scripture is read. If there is to be Communion a passage from the Gospel always concludes the Lessons (readings). The Gospel Lesson is always read by the Celebrant or Deacon.

It is desirable that the Lessons from the Old Testament and the New Testament (The Epistle) be read by lay persons. Do you have a preference for Lectors (Readers)?

If yes, please list the names in order of preference:
______________________________________________________________________________
______________________________________________________________________________
______________________________________________________________________________
A lesson from the Old Testament is read, please choose one:

___ Isaiah 26:6-9       He 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 hands of God
___ Job 19:21-27a       I know my Redeemer lives.
___ A reading of your choice: __________________________________________________

A suitable Psalm follows the first lesson; please choose one:

___ Psalm 42:1-7 (BCP p. 643)
___ Psalm 46 (BCP p. 649)
___ Psalm 90:1-12 (BCP p. 717)
___ Psalm 121 (BCP p. 779)
___ Psalm 130 (BCP p. 784)
___ Psalm 139:1-11 (BCP p. 794)
___ A Psalm of your choice: ___________________________________________

A lesson from the New Testament is read, please choose one:

___ Romans 8:14-19, 34-35, 37-39 The glory that shall be revealed.
___ 2 Corinthians 4:16 – 5:9 Things that are unseen are eternal
___ 1 John 3:1-2         We shall be like him.
___ Revelation 7:9-17    God shall wipe away every tear.
___ Revelation 21:2-7    Behold, I make all things new.
Remembrances may be offered by family or friends, please specify whose who will share:

Name: ________________________________
Name: ________________________________
Name: ________________________________

___ Request no remembrances

A suitable Gospel hymn may follow the remembrances. Please use the Music Resources on pp. 11 & 12 of this booklet, or list another recommendation:

_____________________________________________________________________________

The Celebrant will choose the Gospel reading for the service. If you have a recommendation please indicate that below:

___ 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 rooms.

___ A different recommendation: ____________________________________________

Rite II may continue with the Apostle’s Creed (BCP p. 496). Do you want to recite the Apostle’s Creed?

___ Yes  ___ No
If there is no Communion the Lord’s Prayer is recited at this time, and then continues on with the Prayers of the People (BCP p. 497).

The Celebrant concludes the Prayers of the People with one of the prayers (BCP p. 498 please choose one:

___ “Lord Jesus Christ, we commend to you…”
___ “Father of all, we pray to you…”

If Communion is celebrated, which Eucharistic Prayer do you prefer?

___ EP Prayer A (BCP p. 361)
___ EP Prayer B (BCP p. 367)
___ EP Prayer C (BCP p. 369)
___ EP Prayer D (BCP p. 372)
___ No preference

As the Altar is prepared for Communion a hymn may be sung or organ music is played, which do you prefer?

___ Quiet organ music or instrumental

Hymn, please specify: ___________________________________________________________

During Communion it is appropriate to have 1 or 2 hymns, depending on the number in attendance. Please list your preferences for hymns

Hymn #1: ______________________________________________________________________

Hymn #2: ______________________________________________________________________

After Communion the service continues with the Commendation (BCP p. 499) if the urn or coffin is present.
As the body is borne from the church a hymn, canticle, or closing sentence may be used. Which do you prefer?

___ Hymn, please specify: _____________________________________________________

___ Closing sentence (BCP p. 500)

___ Canticle, The Song of Zechariah, Benedictus (BCP p. 92)

___ Canticle, The Song of Solomon, Nunc dimittis (BCP p. 93)

___ Canticle, Christ our Passover, Pascha nostrum (BCP p. 83)

___ No preference
# Music Resources

**Key:**  
PR – Processional/Recessional  
CS – Communion/Service  
** – No downloads

## The 1982 Hymnal

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**Other possibilities exist in:**
The Hymnal 1982  
Lift Every Voice and Sing  
My Heart Sings Out  
Voices Found  
Wonder, Love and Praise

Clergy and church musicians share the responsibility of maintaining appropriate standards for music in our liturgy, especially during occasional services such as burials and weddings. The rubrics on p. 14 of the Book of Common Prayer set some guidelines, notably: Hymns referred to in the rubrics of this Book are to be those authorized by this Church.

Additional notes:

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Recommended Honoraria and Fees

Expenses in connection with a funeral at Eastern Shore Chapel vary with family preferences. There is no charge for the use of the Sanctuary or Parish Hall (when available for receptions). Our primary hope is to be a place of peace and spiritual comfort, regardless of a family’s financial circumstances. If you find the suggested honoraria and/or fees burdensome, please contact parish clergy for assistance.

Suggested Honoraria:

- Clergy: $300
- Reception: $200 (Our Parish Friends ministry, comprised of ESC volunteers, provides food and set up for our receptions in the parish hall. A donation of any amount would be appreciated to offset the cost of food and supplies. Checks can me made out to Eastern Shore Chapel, with Parish Friends in the memo line).

Fees:

- Flowers: $150 (Donation to Eastern Shore Chapel; Flower Guild in memo line)
- Organist (by request): $300
- Soloist (by request): $200
- Cantor (by request): $100
- Live Stream of Service (by request): $120/hour. After an hour, each 15 min increment will be charged. (After an hour passes, it will be $150, after an hour and 15 mins it will be $180 and so on. Checks made payable to 2K Sound Maker LLC and can be delivered in person after the service or mailed.

In Lieu of flowers…

If you would like to designate a ministry of Eastern Shore Chapel (Chapel Pantry, Bainbridge Music Fund, Almoner’s Fund, etc.) to receive a memorial gift in honor of your loved one, please list here:

_______________________________________________________