



**Saint Anne's**  
**Episcopal Church**

**Funeral**  
**Arrangements**  
**and**  
**Memorial Garden**  
**Guidelines**

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# Funeral Arrangements

## Introduction

This booklet has been created to help you and/or your loved ones plan for funeral arrangements. The booklet guides you through the funeral service and arrangements, burial or cremation, as well as interment of ashes in St. Anne's Memorial Garden if you desire.

## Notifying the Church or Clergy

At the time of your loved one's death, please notify the church or clergy immediately. The clergy will assist in planning the service. If the deceased has made his/her wishes known in advance, please discuss this with the clergy. Upon request, **the clergy can accompany you to the funeral director, and provide support and guidance.** St. Anne's has a Memorial Garden where ashes can be interred (see separate chapter in this booklet). The following information is intended to offer guidance in planning the service.

## Times and Days Funerals can be scheduled

All funerals on Monday through Thursday must be scheduled between the hours of 2pm and 4pm. Saturday funeral times are between 10am and 4pm.

Saint Anne's church seats 350 people and has additional space available if it is needed. Please ask the Clergy for additional information.

## Guest Book

Possible sources for a Guest Book, should you want to have a record of those who attend the service: the funeral home, a stationary store, the internet.

## The Service

### The Liturgy of the Word

The liturgy for the dead is an Easter liturgy. It finds its meaning in the Resurrection: because Jesus was raised from the dead, we too, shall be raised to new life. The liturgy, therefore, is characterized by joy, in the sure and certain hope that "neither death, nor 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." (Romans 8:38-39)

Our 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 Lazarus. So, while we rejoice that one we love has entered into the presence of our Lord, we sorrow in sympathy with those who mourn.

The Episcopal funeral service begins with the entrance of clergy. The casket or ashes, if present, are already in place. The priest then begins the liturgy with prayers (see page 469 or 491 of the Book of Common Prayer).

The priest may address the congregation, acknowledging briefly the purpose of their gathering, and bidding their prayers for the deceased and the bereaved. The priest then continues with a prayer, called Collect.

The body may be present in a coffin, which is closed prior to the beginning of the service, or ashes may be present, or the service may take place without a body or ashes present. The service can take place before or after the remains are committed to a final resting place. During the service, the coffin or urn will be covered by a special cloth called a pall.

As the service continues, one or more passages from Holy Scripture are read. If Holy Eucharist takes place, a passage from the Gospel always concludes the Readings.

The order of the liturgy begins with an Old Testament lesson, followed by a suitable psalm, and a reading from the New Testament. Family and/or friends are encouraged to read lessons and psalms, except the Gospel reading, which is read by the Deacon or Priest appointed.

After the readings, the service continues with a homily (short sermon), prayers for the departed, and the bereaved, the Eucharist (if desired), the Commendation of the person's body or ashes, if present; a blessing and the dismissal.

### **The Committal**

The Committal of the casket or ashes to its final resting place may follow, usually immediately after the service. If the burial is in a different location the priest will follow the family to the grave site for the committal there.

### **Music**

Hymns are appropriate at funerals. They offer an opportunity to express our emotions while recalling the faith of the church that death is not victorious over those who belong to God. If you are uncertain of what hymns to use, with both a meaningful text and a sufficiently familiar tune, please speak with the clergy. The fee for the organist is \$175.

Below is a list of suggested hymns from *The Hymnal 1982*:

- 207 Jesus Christ is risen today, Alleluia!
- 208 The strife is o'er, the battle done
- 287 For all the saints, who from their labors rest
- 358 Christ the victorious, give to your servants
- 376 Joyful, joyful, we adore thee
- 441 In the cross of Christ I glory
- 470 There's a wideness in God's mercy
- 473 Lift high the cross
- 482 Lord of all hopefulness, Lord of all joy
- 488 Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart
- 490 I want to walk as a child of the light
- 525 The church's one foundation
- 558 Faith of our fathers living still
- 608 Eternal Father, strong to save
- 618 Ye watchers and ye holy ones
- 637 How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord
- 645 The King of love my Shepherd is
- 657 Love divine, all loves excelling
- 671 Amazing grace! how sweet the sound
- 680 O God, our help in ages past
- 688 A mighty fortress is our God
- 690 Guide me, O thou great Jehovah

## **Receptions**

Following a funeral/memorial service, St. Anne's Parish Hall is available for a reception. Reception fees range from, on average, \$250 to \$800 for supplies and refreshments, based on the approximate number of attendees.

A volunteer committee prepares and hosts the reception. The menu consists of tea sandwiches, sweets, and a choice of beverages. If wine is served, the family purchases the wine and provides a server.

Once the family has met with St. Anne's Clergy and chooses to have a reception, the coordinator will contact the family to discuss the reception.

If the committee is unavailable or the family wants more than a simple reception, they may choose to hire a caterer. A member of the Kitchen Committee must be on site. Receptions may last up to a maximum of two hours.

Any decorations, centerpieces, or floral arrangements must be provided by the family.

## **Flowers**

The family must use Chelsea Flowers (678-528-2987) unless permission is received from the Flower Guild to use a different florist. Chelsea Flowers knows the size of our altar containers, and they have a key for entrance into the church. All flowers located in the Nave will remain in the church if the funeral is on a Friday or Saturday.

## **Traffic and Security (needed for a large gathering)**

The church will secure a police officer to assist with parking and provide security.

The fee ranges from \$105.00 for 250 to 350 people attending the funeral to \$210 for more than 350 people attending.

## **Decisions and Arrangements to be made by the Family**

Provide information to the funeral home regarding the deceased for the obituary in the newspaper, such as date of birth, names of spouse and/or children, organizations belonged to, employment, etc. This can also be written in advance and filed.

In lieu of flowers, you may request individuals make donations to specific charities or to the Church. A memorial fund may be set up with the church and money donated to a specific ministry.

Pallbearers may be needed. It is appropriate to ask individuals in advance.

Choose two Lessons (one Old Testament and one New Testament), one Psalm, and a Gospel reading, according to the suggestions beginning on page 6 .

Determine who will read each lesson. A lector will be provided by the Church if needed.

Choose Hymns and discuss your choice with the clergy. See options on page 4.

You may ask family members to present the offering of bread and wine for Holy Eucharist.

**Suggested Readings (according to the Book of Common Prayer, page 494)**

**OLD TESTAMENT READINGS: (choose 1)**

**Isaiah 25:6-9**

<sup>6</sup> On this mountain the Lord of hosts will make for all peoples  
a feast of rich food, a feast of well-matured wines,  
of rich food filled with marrow, of well-matured wines strained clear.  
<sup>7</sup> And he will destroy on this mountain  
the shroud that is cast over all peoples,  
the sheet that is spread over all nations;  
<sup>8</sup> he will swallow up death for ever.  
Then the Lord God will wipe away the tears from all faces,  
and the disgrace of his people he will take away from all the earth,  
for the Lord has spoken.  
<sup>9</sup> It will be said on that day,  
Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him, so that he might save us.  
This is the Lord for whom we have waited;  
let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.

**Isaiah 61:1-3**

The spirit of the Lord God is upon me,  
because the Lord has anointed me;  
he has sent me to bring good news to the oppressed,  
to bind up the brokenhearted,  
to proclaim liberty to the captives,  
and release to the prisoners;  
to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor,  
and the day of vengeance of our God;  
to comfort all who mourn;  
to provide for those who mourn in Zion—  
to give them a garland instead of ashes,  
the oil of gladness instead of mourning,  
the mantle of praise instead of a faint spirit.  
They will be called oaks of righteousness,  
the planting of the Lord, to display his glory.

**Lamentations 3:22-26,31-33** ✓

- 22 The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases,  
his mercies never come to an end;  
23 they are new every morning;  
great is your faithfulness.  
24 "The Lord is my portion," says my soul,  
"therefore I will hope in him."  
25 The Lord is good to those who wait for him,  
to the soul that seeks him.  
26 It is good that one should wait quietly  
for the salvation of the Lord.  
31 For the Lord will not  
reject forever.  
32 Although he causes grief, he will have compassion  
according to the abundance of his steadfast love;  
33 for he does not willingly afflict  
or grieve anyone.

**Wisdom 3:1-5,9**

- <sup>1</sup> But the souls of the righteous are in the hand of God,  
and no torment will ever touch them.  
<sup>2</sup> In the eyes of the foolish they seemed to have died,  
and their departure was thought to be a disaster,  
<sup>3</sup> and their going from us to be their destruction;  
but they are at peace.  
<sup>4</sup> For though in the sight of others they were punished,  
their hope is full of immortality.  
<sup>5</sup> Having been disciplined a little, they will receive great good,  
because God tested them and found them worthy of himself;  
<sup>9</sup> Those who trust in him will understand truth,  
and the faithful will abide with him in love,  
because grace and mercy are upon his holy ones,  
and he watches over his elect.\*

**Job 19:21-27a**

- <sup>21</sup> Have pity on me, have pity on me, O you my friends,  
for the hand of God has touched me!  
<sup>22</sup> Why do you, like God, pursue me,  
never satisfied with my flesh?  
<sup>23</sup> 'O that my words were written down!  
O that they were inscribed in a book!  
<sup>24</sup> O that with an iron pen and with lead  
they were engraved on a rock for ever!  
<sup>25</sup> For I know that my Redeemer\* lives,  
and that at the last he\* will stand upon the earth;\*-  
<sup>26</sup> and after my skin has been thus destroyed,  
then in\* my flesh I shall see God,\*-  
<sup>27</sup> whom I shall see on my side,\*-  
and my eyes shall behold, and not another.  
My heart faints within me!

## PSALMS (Choose 1)

### Psalm 42: 1-7

To the leader. A Maskil of the Korahites.

<sup>1</sup> As a deer longs for flowing streams,  
so my soul longs for you, O God.

<sup>2</sup> My soul thirsts for God,  
for the living God.

When shall I come and behold  
the face of God?

<sup>3</sup> My tears have been my food  
day and night,  
while people say to me continually,  
'Where is your God?'

<sup>4</sup> These things I remember,  
as I pour out my soul:  
how I went with the throng,\*  
and led them in procession to the house of God,  
with glad shouts and songs of thanksgiving,  
a multitude keeping festival.

<sup>5</sup> Why are you cast down, O my soul,  
and why are you disquieted within me?  
Hope in God; for I shall again praise him,  
my help <sup>6</sup>and my God.

<sup>6</sup> My soul is cast down within me;  
therefore I remember you  
from the land of Jordan and of Hermon,  
from Mount Mizar.

<sup>7</sup> Deep calls to deep  
at the thunder of your cataracts;  
all your waves and your billows  
have gone over me.

### Psalm 46

<sup>1</sup> God is our refuge and strength,  
a very present\* help in trouble.

<sup>2</sup> Therefore we will not fear, though the earth should  
change,  
though the mountains shake in the heart of the sea;  
<sup>3</sup> though its waters roar and foam,  
though the mountains tremble with its tumult.

<sup>4</sup> There is a river whose streams make glad the city of  
God,  
the holy habitation of the Most High.

<sup>5</sup> God is in the midst of the city;\* it shall not be  
moved;

God will help it when the morning dawns.

<sup>6</sup> The nations are in an uproar, the kingdoms totter;  
he utters his voice, the earth melts.

<sup>7</sup> The Lord of hosts is with us;  
the God of Jacob is our refuge.\*

<sup>8</sup> Come, behold the works of the Lord;  
see what desolations he has brought on the earth.

<sup>9</sup> He makes wars cease to the end of the earth;  
he breaks the bow, and shatters the spear;  
he burns the shields with fire.

<sup>10</sup> 'Be still, and know that I am God!

I am exalted among the nations,  
I am exalted in the earth.'

<sup>11</sup> The Lord of hosts is with us;  
the God of Jacob is our refuge.\*



## Psalm 90:1-12

A Prayer of Moses, the man of God.

- <sup>1</sup> Lord, you have been our dwelling-place\*  
in all generations.
- <sup>2</sup> Before the mountains were brought forth,  
or ever you had formed the earth and the world,  
from everlasting to everlasting you are God.
- <sup>3</sup> You turn us\* back to dust,  
and say, 'Turn back, you mortals.'
- <sup>4</sup> For a thousand years in your sight  
are like yesterday when it is past,  
or like a watch in the night.
- <sup>5</sup> You sweep them away; they are like a dream,  
like grass that is renewed in the morning;  
<sup>6</sup> in the morning it flourishes and is renewed;  
in the evening it fades and withers.
- <sup>7</sup> For we are consumed by your anger;  
by your wrath we are overwhelmed.
- <sup>8</sup> You have set our iniquities before you,  
our secret sins in the light of your countenance.
- <sup>9</sup> For all our days pass away under your wrath;  
our years come to an end\* like a sigh.
- <sup>10</sup> The days of our life are seventy years,  
or perhaps eighty, if we are strong;  
even then their span\* is only toil and trouble;  
they are soon gone, and we fly away.
- <sup>11</sup> Who considers the power of your anger?  
Your wrath is as great as the fear that is due to you.
- <sup>12</sup> So teach us to count our days  
that we may gain a wise heart.

## Psalm 121

- <sup>1</sup> I lift up my eyes to the hills; \*  
from where is my help to come?
- <sup>2</sup> My help comes from the LORD, \*  
the maker of heaven and earth.
- <sup>3</sup> He will not let your foot be moved \*  
and he who watches over you will not fall asleep.
- <sup>4</sup> Behold, he who keeps watch over Israel \*  
shall neither slumber nor sleep;
- <sup>5</sup> The Lord himself watches over you; \*  
the Lord is your shade at your right hand,
- <sup>6</sup> So that the sun shall not strike you by day, \*  
nor the moon by night.
- <sup>7</sup> The Lord shall preserve you from all evil; \*  
it is he who shall keep you safe.
- <sup>8</sup> The Lord shall watch over your going out and  
your coming in, \*  
from this time forth for evermore.

## Psalm 130

A Song of Ascents.

- <sup>1</sup> Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord.
- <sup>2</sup> Lord, hear my voice!  
Let your ears be attentive  
to the voice of my supplications!
- <sup>3</sup> If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities,  
Lord, who could stand?
- <sup>4</sup> But there is forgiveness with you,  
so that you may be revered.
- <sup>5</sup> I wait for the Lord, my soul waits,  
and in his word I hope;
- <sup>6</sup> my soul waits for the Lord  
more than those who watch for the morning,  
more than those who watch for the morning.
- <sup>7</sup> O Israel, hope in the Lord!  
For with the Lord there is steadfast love,  
and with him is great power to redeem.
- <sup>8</sup> It is he who will redeem Israel  
from all its iniquities.

## Psalm 139:1-11

- <sup>1</sup> Lord, you have searched me out and known me; \*  
you know my sitting down and my rising up;  
you discern my thoughts from afar.
- <sup>2</sup> You trace my journeys and my resting-places \*  
and are acquainted with all my ways.
- <sup>3</sup> Indeed, there is not a word on my lips, \*  
but you, O Lord, know it altogether.
- <sup>4</sup> You press upon me behind and before \*  
and lay your hand upon me.
- <sup>5</sup> Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; \*  
it is so high that I cannot attain to it.
- <sup>6</sup> Where can I go then from your Spirit? \*  
where can I flee from your presence?
- <sup>7</sup> If I climb up to heaven, you are there; \*  
if I make the grave my bed, you are there also.
- <sup>8</sup> If I take the wings of the morning \*  
and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea,
- <sup>9</sup> Even there your hand will lead me \*  
and your right hand hold me fast.
- <sup>10</sup> If I say, "Surely the darkness will cover me, \*  
and the light around me turn to night,"
- <sup>11</sup> Darkness is not dark to you;  
the night is as bright as the day; \*  
darkness and light to you are both alike.

## Psalm 23 NRSV

A Psalm of David.

<sup>1</sup> The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want.

<sup>2</sup> He makes me lie down in green pastures;  
he leads me beside still waters;\*

<sup>3</sup> he restores my soul.\*

He leads me in right paths\*  
for his name's sake.

<sup>4</sup> Even though I walk through the darkest valley,\*  
I fear no evil;

for you are with me;  
your rod and your staff—  
they comfort me.

<sup>5</sup> You prepare a table before me  
in the presence of my enemies;  
you anoint my head with oil;  
my cup overflows.

<sup>6</sup> Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me  
all the days of my life,  
and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord  
my whole life long.\*

## Psalm 23 King James

<sup>1</sup> The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.

<sup>2</sup> He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he  
leadeth me beside the still waters.

<sup>3</sup> He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of  
righteousness for his name's sake.

<sup>4</sup> Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow  
of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy  
rod and thy staff they comfort me.

<sup>5</sup> Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of  
mine enemies: thou anointest my head with oil; my  
cup runneth over.

<sup>6</sup> Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the  
days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of  
the Lord for ever.

## Psalm 27

<sup>1</sup> The Lord is my light and my salvation;  
whom shall I fear?

The Lord is the stronghold\* of my life;  
of whom shall I be afraid?

<sup>2</sup> When evildoers assail me  
to devour my flesh—  
my adversaries and foes—  
they shall stumble and fall.

<sup>3</sup> Though an army encamp against me,  
my heart shall not fear;  
though war rise up against me,  
yet I will be confident.

<sup>4</sup> One thing I asked of the Lord,  
that will I seek after:  
to live in the house of the Lord  
all the days of my life,  
to behold the beauty of the Lord,  
and to inquire in his temple.

<sup>5</sup> For he will hide me in his shelter  
in the day of trouble;  
he will conceal me under the cover of his tent;  
he will set me high on a rock.

<sup>6</sup> Now my head is lifted up  
above my enemies all around me,  
and I will offer in his tent  
sacrifices with shouts of joy;  
I will sing and make melody to the Lord.

<sup>7</sup> Hear, O Lord, when I cry aloud,  
be gracious to me and answer me!

<sup>8</sup> 'Come,' my heart says, 'seek his face!'  
Your face, Lord, do I seek.

<sup>9</sup> Do not hide your face from me.  
Do not turn your servant away in anger,  
you who have been my help.  
Do not cast me off, do not forsake me,  
O God of my salvation!

<sup>10</sup> If my father and mother forsake me,  
the Lord will take me up.

<sup>11</sup> Teach me your way, O Lord,  
and lead me on a level path  
because of my enemies.

<sup>12</sup> Do not give me up to the will of my adversaries,  
for false witnesses have risen against me,  
and they are breathing out violence.

<sup>13</sup> I believe that I shall see the goodness of the Lord  
in the land of the living.

<sup>14</sup> Wait for the Lord;  
be strong, and let your heart take courage;  
wait for the Lord!

## Psalm 103

Of David.

- <sup>1</sup> Bless the Lord, O my soul,  
and all that is within me,  
bless his holy name.
  - <sup>2</sup> Bless the Lord, O my soul,  
and do not forget all his benefits—
  - <sup>3</sup> who forgives all your iniquity,  
who heals all your diseases,
  - <sup>4</sup> who redeems your life from the Pit,  
who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy,
  - <sup>5</sup> who satisfies you with good as long as you live\*  
so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's.
  - <sup>6</sup> The Lord works vindication  
and justice for all who are oppressed.
  - <sup>7</sup> He made known his ways to Moses,  
his acts to the people of Israel.
  - <sup>8</sup> The Lord is merciful and gracious,  
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.
  - <sup>9</sup> He will not always accuse,  
nor will he keep his anger for ever.
  - <sup>10</sup> He does not deal with us according to our sins,  
nor repay us according to our iniquities.
  - <sup>11</sup> For as the heavens are high above the earth,  
so great is his steadfast love towards those who fear  
him;
  - <sup>12</sup> as far as the east is from the west,  
so far he removes our transgressions from us.
  - <sup>13</sup> As a father has compassion for his children,  
so the Lord has compassion for those who fear him.
  - <sup>14</sup> For he knows how we were made;  
he remembers that we are dust.
  - <sup>15</sup> As for mortals, their days are like grass;  
they flourish like a flower of the field;
  - <sup>16</sup> for the wind passes over it, and it is gone,  
and its place knows it no more.
  - <sup>17</sup> But the steadfast love of the Lord is from everlasting  
to everlasting  
on those who fear him,  
and his righteousness to children's children,
  - <sup>18</sup> to those who keep his covenant  
and remember to do his commandments.
  - <sup>19</sup> The Lord has established his throne in the heavens,  
and his kingdom rules over all.
  - <sup>20</sup> Bless the Lord, O you his angels,  
you mighty ones who do his bidding,  
obedient to his spoken word.
  - <sup>21</sup> Bless the Lord, all his hosts,  
his ministers that do his will.
  - <sup>22</sup> Bless the Lord, all his works,  
in all places of his dominion.
- Bless the Lord, O my soul.

## Psalm 106:1-5

- <sup>1</sup> Praise the Lord!  
O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;  
for his steadfast love endures for ever.
- <sup>2</sup> Who can utter the mighty doings of the Lord,  
or declare all his praise?
- <sup>3</sup> Happy are those who observe justice,  
who do righteousness at all times.
- <sup>4</sup> Remember me, O Lord, when you show favour to  
your people;  
help me when you deliver them;
- <sup>5</sup> that I may see the prosperity of your chosen ones,  
that I may rejoice in the gladness of your nation,  
that I may glory in your heritage.

## Psalm 116

<sup>1</sup> I love the Lord, because he has heard  
my voice and my supplications.  
<sup>2</sup> Because he inclined his ear to me,  
therefore I will call on him as long as I live.  
<sup>3</sup> The snares of death encompassed me;  
the pangs of Sheol laid hold on me;  
I suffered distress and anguish.  
<sup>4</sup> Then I called on the name of the Lord:  
'O Lord, I pray, save my life!'  
<sup>5</sup> Gracious is the Lord, and righteous;  
our God is merciful.  
<sup>6</sup> The Lord protects the simple;  
when I was brought low, he saved me.  
<sup>7</sup> Return, O my soul, to your rest,  
for the Lord has dealt bountifully with you.  
<sup>8</sup> For you have delivered my soul from death,  
my eyes from tears,  
my feet from stumbling.  
<sup>9</sup> I walk before the Lord  
in the land of the living.  
<sup>10</sup> I kept my faith, even when I said,  
'I am greatly afflicted';  
<sup>11</sup> I said in my consternation,  
'Everyone is a liar.'  
<sup>12</sup> What shall I return to the Lord  
for all his bounty to me?  
<sup>13</sup> I will lift up the cup of salvation  
and call on the name of the Lord,  
<sup>14</sup> I will pay my vows to the Lord  
in the presence of all his people.  
<sup>15</sup> Precious in the sight of the Lord  
is the death of his faithful ones.  
<sup>16</sup> O Lord, I am your servant;  
I am your servant, the child of your serving-maid.  
You have loosed my bonds.  
<sup>17</sup> I will offer to you a thanksgiving sacrifice  
and call on the name of the Lord.  
<sup>18</sup> I will pay my vows to the Lord  
in the presence of all his people,  
<sup>19</sup> in the courts of the house of the Lord,  
in your midst, O Jerusalem.  
Praise the Lord!

## Psalm 24

Of David. A Psalm.

<sup>1</sup> The earth is the Lord's and all that is in it,  
the world, and those who live in it;  
<sup>2</sup> for he has founded it on the seas,  
and established it on the rivers.  
<sup>3</sup> Who shall ascend the hill of the Lord?  
And who shall stand in his holy place?  
<sup>4</sup> Those who have clean hands and pure hearts,  
who do not lift up their souls to what is false,  
and do not swear deceitfully.  
<sup>5</sup> They will receive blessing from the Lord,  
and vindication from the God of their salvation.  
<sup>6</sup> Such is the company of those who seek him,  
who seek the face of the God of Jacob.\*  
<sup>7</sup> Lift up your heads, O gates!  
and be lifted up, O ancient doors!  
that the King of glory may come in.  
<sup>8</sup> Who is the King of glory?  
The Lord, strong and mighty,  
the Lord, mighty in battle.  
<sup>9</sup> Lift up your heads, O gates!  
and be lifted up, O ancient doors!  
that the King of glory may come in.  
<sup>10</sup> Who is this King of glory?  
The Lord of hosts,  
he is the King of glory.

## NEW TESTAMENT READINGS

### **Romans 8:14-19, 34-35, 37-39** **(The glory that shall be revealed)**

<sup>14</sup>For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. <sup>15</sup>For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, ‘Abba! \*Father!’ <sup>16</sup>it is that very Spirit bearing witness\* with our spirit that we are children of God, <sup>17</sup>and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ—if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

#### **Future Glory**

<sup>18</sup> I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory about to be revealed to us. <sup>19</sup>For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the children of God; <sup>34</sup>Who is to condemn? It is Christ Jesus, who died, yes, who was raised, who is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us.\* <sup>35</sup> Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will hardship, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword?

<sup>37</sup>No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. <sup>38</sup>For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, <sup>39</sup>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.

### **Corinthians 15:2-26, 35-38, 42-44, 53-58 (The imperishable body)**

<sup>20</sup> But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died.\* <sup>21</sup> For since death came through a human being, the resurrection of the dead has also come through a human being; <sup>22</sup> for as all die in Adam, so all will be made alive in Christ. <sup>23</sup> But each in his own order: Christ the first fruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ. <sup>24</sup> Then comes the end,\* when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father, after he has destroyed every ruler and every authority and power. <sup>25</sup> For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. <sup>26</sup> The last enemy to be destroyed is death.

<sup>35</sup> But someone will ask, ‘How are the dead raised? With what kind of body do they come?’ <sup>36</sup> Fool! What you sow does not come to life unless it dies. <sup>37</sup> And as for what you sow, you do not sow the body that is to be, but a bare seed, perhaps of wheat or of some other grain. <sup>38</sup> But God gives it a body as he has chosen, and to each kind of seed its own body.

<sup>42</sup> So it is with the resurrection of the dead. What is sown is perishable, what is raised is imperishable. <sup>43</sup> It is sown in dishonour, it is raised in glory. It is sown in weakness, it is raised in power. <sup>44</sup> It is sown a physical body, it is raised a spiritual body. If there is a physical body, there is also a spiritual body.

<sup>53</sup> For this perishable body must put on imperishability, and this mortal body must put on immortality. <sup>54</sup> When this perishable body puts on imperishability, and this mortal body puts on immortality, then the saying that is written will be fulfilled:

‘Death has been swallowed up in victory.’

<sup>55</sup> ‘Where, O death, is your victory?

Where, O death, is your sting?’

<sup>56</sup> The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. <sup>57</sup> But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

<sup>58</sup> Therefore, my beloved, be steadfast, immovable, always excelling in the work of the Lord, because you know that in the Lord your labour is not in vain.

## 2 Corinthians 4:16--5:9 (Things that are unseen are eternal)

<sup>16</sup> So we do not lose heart. Even though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner nature is being renewed day by day. <sup>17</sup> For this slight momentary affliction is preparing us for an eternal weight of glory beyond all measure, <sup>18</sup> because we look not at what can be seen but at what cannot be seen; for what can be seen is temporary, but what cannot be seen is eternal. <sup>5</sup> For we know that if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens. <sup>2</sup> For in this tent we groan, longing to be clothed with our heavenly dwelling <sup>3</sup> if indeed, when we have taken it off\* we will not be found naked. <sup>4</sup> For while we are still in this tent, we groan under our burden, because we wish not to be unclothed but to be further clothed, so that what is mortal may be swallowed up by life. <sup>5</sup> He who has prepared us for this very thing is God, who has given us the Spirit as a guarantee. <sup>6</sup> So we are always confident; even though we know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord — <sup>7</sup> for we walk by faith, not by sight. <sup>8</sup> Yes, we do have confidence, and we would rather be away from the body and at home with the Lord. <sup>9</sup> So whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to please him.

## 1 John 3:1-2 (We shall be like him)

<sup>1</sup> See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. <sup>2</sup> Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he\* is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is.

## Revelation 7:9-17 (God will wipe away every tear)

<sup>9</sup> After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. <sup>10</sup> They cried out in a loud voice, saying, 'Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!'  
<sup>11</sup> And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshipped God, <sup>12</sup> singing, 'Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honour and power and might be to our God for ever and ever! Amen.'  
<sup>13</sup> Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, 'Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?' <sup>14</sup> I said to him, 'Sir, you are the one that knows.' Then he said to me, 'These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.  
<sup>15</sup> For this reason they are before the throne of God, and worship him day and night within his temple, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them.  
<sup>16</sup> They will hunger no more, and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat;  
<sup>17</sup> for the Lamb at the centre of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.'

### **Revelation 21:2-7 (Behold, I make all things new)**

<sup>2</sup> And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. <sup>3</sup> And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, 'See, the home\* of God is among mortals. He will dwell\* with them; they will be his peoples,\* and God himself will be with them;\* <sup>4</sup> he will wipe every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away.' <sup>5</sup> And the one who was seated on the throne said, 'See, I am making all things new.' Also he said, 'Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true.' <sup>6</sup> Then he said to me, 'It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give water as a gift from the spring of the water of life.' <sup>7</sup> Those who conquer will inherit these things, and I will be their God and they will be my children.

# GOSPEL READINGS

## John 5:24-27

<sup>24</sup>Very truly, I tell you, anyone who hears my word and believes him who sent me has eternal life, and does not come under judgement, but has passed from death to life.

<sup>25</sup> ‘Very truly, I tell you, the hour is coming, and is now here, when the dead will hear the voice of the Son of God, and those who hear will live. <sup>26</sup>For just as the Father has life in himself, so he has granted the Son also to have life in himself; <sup>27</sup>and he has given him authority to execute judgement, because he is the Son of Man.

## John 6:37-40

<sup>37</sup>Everything that the Father gives me will come to me, and anyone who comes to me I will never drive away;

<sup>38</sup>for I have come down from heaven, not to do my own will, but the will of him who sent me. <sup>39</sup>And this is the will of him who sent me, that I should lose nothing of all that he has given me, but raise it up on the last day.

<sup>40</sup>This is indeed the will of my Father, that all who see the Son and believe in him may have eternal life; and I will raise them up on the last day.’

## John 10:11-16

<sup>11</sup> ‘I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. <sup>12</sup>The hired hand, who is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away—and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. <sup>13</sup>The hired hand runs away because a hired hand does not care for the sheep. <sup>14</sup>I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, <sup>15</sup>just as the Father knows me and I know the Father. And I lay down my life for the sheep. <sup>16</sup>I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd.’

## John 11:21-27

<sup>21</sup>Martha said to Jesus, ‘Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. <sup>22</sup>But even now I know that God will give you whatever you ask of him.’ <sup>23</sup>Jesus said to her, ‘Your brother will rise again.’ <sup>24</sup>Martha said to him, ‘I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day.’ <sup>25</sup>Jesus said to her, ‘I am the resurrection and the life.\* Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, <sup>26</sup>and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?’ <sup>27</sup>She said to him, ‘Yes, Lord, I believe that you are the Messiah,\* the Son of God, the one coming into the world.’

## John 14:1-6

<sup>1</sup>‘Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe\* in God, believe also in me. <sup>2</sup>In my Father’s house there are many dwelling-places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you?\*-<sup>3</sup> And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. <sup>4</sup>And you know the way to the place where I am going.’\*-<sup>5</sup> Thomas said to him, ‘Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?’ <sup>6</sup>Jesus said to him, ‘I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.



# Memorial Garden Guidelines

## Purpose

The purpose of the St. Anne's Memorial Garden is to provide an appropriate consecrated and maintained place for the interment of ash remains of St. Anne's members and their families. The Memorial Garden is located in the landscaped area behind the Sacristy and the choir side of the church.

## Administration of the Memorial Garden

The Memorial Garden is administered by a committee composed of three lay members of the parish chosen by the Rector who is also on the committee.

## Interment

The ashes shall be those of a member of St. Anne's, a former member, or a member of his or her family.

The ashes shall be buried **only** in biodegradable containers provided by St. Anne's. **No containers provided by funeral directors, mortuaries, etc., will be used.**

The Clergy shall assign numbered spaces. To the extent practicable, the Clergy will attempt to accommodate the wishes of persons, who have paid the applicable interment fee, to arrange for interment of the remains of family members in contiguous spaces.

The name of each person whose ashes are interred in the Memorial Garden, with the dates of birth and death, will be listed on an individual nameplate (no titles Mr., Mrs., Dr., etc.) and affixed to a wall plaque adjacent to the Garden. The wall plaque with the nameplates shall be the only marker or memorial in the Garden other than the statues of St. Anne and St. Mary. Space may be reserved on the wall plaque for family members who wish their names to be grouped together.

The basic design, planning, and arrangement of the Memorial Garden are at all times under the supervision of the Memorial Garden Committee, subject to final approval of the Vestry. There are to be no permanent floral arrangements or other decorations within the Garden.

The fee for each interment shall be \$800.00 payable at the time of application. In the event of a change of mind any deposit paid will be returned. Application may be made to the Clergy's Discretionary Fund for financial assistance if necessary. The Memorial Garden Committee may change the amount of the fee at any time with the approval of the Rector and Vestry.

Receipts from burial fees, in excess of the amounts required for the present expenses of the Memorial Garden, will be held in a separate restricted fund and administered by the Memorial Garden Committee. These funds will be expended solely for:

- The perpetual maintenance and care of the Garden.
- Capital expenditures required in connection with the operation of the Garden.
- Care of the surrounding areas.

The Memorial Garden Committee and its predecessors have created St. Anne's section and St. Mary's section for the burial of ash remains in known locations. For those church members and/or their families who prefer to scatter the ash remains in the Memorial Garden, an area generally behind St. Mary's section and toward Northside Parkway has been designated as an area where ash remains may be scattered or buried. The boundary of this area, known as the Natural Garden Area, is shown on a map in the church office and on the included map. In the event a church member and/or family member desires to have ash remains buried in the Natural Garden Area, it is understood that the precise location of the burial will not be shown on any map or plot. The ashes are to be scattered by or buried under the direct supervision of the Clergy.

A small section of the Natural Garden Area along, and on the Sanctuary side of, the stone walkway which leads from St. Anne's section to the Commons Room requires special attention and treatment. This area contains the buried ash remains of several decedents. The area measures approximately 10 feet long and 6 feet deep. This area is represented by a cross on the map and the notation ( reserved area) in the legend. The Rector may permit members of the decedents' families to have their ash remains buried in this small area which is shown on the Memorial Garden map.

In the future, the area to the south and east of the Natural Garden Area, known as The Wooded Area, generally extending to Northside Parkway and Moore's Mill Road, may be developed, paved, or otherwise disturbed. Anyone considering burying or scattering ash remains in this area should be aware of this possible future activity. Such future construction or land disturbance will not require the notification or permission of anyone who may have a family member's or friend's ash remains in this area.

The Vestry of St. Anne's Episcopal Church specifically reserves the right to modify, amend, or revoke these regulations. The Rector may make exception to these procedures as pastoral situations arise.

### **How to Apply**

Arrangements for the interment of ash remains may be made by filling out and signing the application provided by the parish office. A fee of \$800.00 is payable to St. Anne's Episcopal Church. This fee covers interment, purchase of a nameplate and perpetual care of the Memorial Garden. A check in the amount of the fee should accompany the application.

The accepted application together with the regulations of the Memorial Garden, constitute an Agreement between the applicant and St. Anne's Episcopal Church.

The original Agreement is kept in a permanent file in the church office and a copy given to the applicant.

For further information, please contact St. Anne's Episcopal Church, 3098 St. Anne's Lane NW, Atlanta, Georgia 30327, or call the office 404-237-5589, or send an email to [info@saintannes.com](mailto:info@saintannes.com)

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