

FUNERAL PLANNING WORKSHEET

CONFESSING CHRIST WITH MY FUNERAL

Jesus says: *"Everyone who acknowledges Me before men, I also will acknowledge before My Father who is in heaven"* (Matthew 10:32). The Christian delights in confessing the saving name of Jesus before all the world, because it is through Christ Jesus' death on the cross that we have life and hope and peace. Because of Jesus' death for us, when our last hour comes, we will pass from death to life. Our funeral service is a worship service of the Holy Trinity, who brought us from death to life by the death of Jesus and who has now delivered us from this veil of tears to Himself in heaven. In thanks to God for His gift of eternal life, in planning our funeral we have one final opportunity to make the good confession of our Lord Jesus before others.

Your Information

Full Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Please fill in your name as you would like it in the bulletin.

Baptismal Date: _____ Location: _____

Confirmation Date: _____ Location: _____

Confirmation Verse: _____ Special/Favorite Bible Verse(s): _____

Funeral Pall? (*circle one*): Yes / No Processional Cross? (*circle one*): Yes / No

Scripture to Confess: (*see past page - select 2 or 3*)

Psalm: _____

Old Testament: _____

Epistle: _____

Gospel: _____

Hymns: (*See past page*) *"Hymns and music in the Funeral Service should reflect Christian confidence, trust and hope in the resurrection of the body and the life everlasting."*

Processional: _____

Hymn of the Day: _____

Recessional: _____

Special Music: (solo/Instrumental) _____

Church: (*name, location, phone*)

Pallbearers: (*including contact information*)

Funeral Home and Visitation

Name of Funeral Home: _____ Location: _____

Have you done any pre-planning with the funeral home? (Circle One): Yes / No

Visitation Location (Check One): _____ Funeral Home _____ The Church

Cemetery/Committal:

Committal (Check One): _____ In the Ground _____ Mausoleum

Name of Cemetery: _____ Location: _____

If interment will be in the ground, have you secured a plot? (Circle One): Yes / No

Funeral Reception/Luncheon

Will there be a reception at following the committal at St Timothy? (Circle One): Yes / No

Eulogies and Other Words of Remembrance

The funeral service is a formal worship service and public confession of the Christian faith concerning life, death, burial, resurrection, and eternal life. Eulogies and other words of remembrance are, therefore, best shared at the visitation or the reception/luncheon rather than at the funeral service itself. Do you want to allow for such a time at the reception/luncheon? (Circle One): Yes / No / Unsure

Personal History and Information:

Birth Location: _____

Church Membership: _____

Marriage and Family:

Spouse: _____

Anniversary: _____

Children: (include grand & great-grand)

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

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Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Predeceased by:

Name: _____ Relationship: _____

Name: _____ Relationship: _____

Name: _____ Relationship: _____

Name: _____ Relationship: _____

Memorial Gifts

I have shared with my next of kin where financial gifts in my memory should be directed.

(Circle One): Yes / No / Unsure

Recipients Include:

_____ St. Timothy Lutheran, Huber Heights, Ohio

_____ Other _____

_____ Other _____

_____ Other _____

Signature

Please share any additional details or request:

I understand that the information and instructions printed here are for the guidance of my congregation, my family, and my friends for making arrangements necessary at the time of my death. Although this information is being left for safekeeping, it is not legally binding or enforceable. I understand that this worksheet does not make the congregation or my family obliged or responsible for the execution of these instructions.

Name of person preparing this form: (print) _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

**If you desire that the church have a copy of your information, please return to:
St. Timothy Lutheran Church, 5040 Rye Drive, Huber Heights, OH 45424**

Longstanding Scripture Texts for Funerals:

Old Testament

Job 19:21-27	Job confesses his faith in the resurrection
Psalms 23	The Lord is my Shepherd
Isaiah 25:6-9	The Lord your God will swallow up death forever
Isaiah 61:1-3, 10	To comfort all who mourn
Lamentations 3:22-33	His compassions never fail

Epistle

Romans 8:31-39	Nothing can separate us from God's love in Christ
1 Corinthians 15:20-26	In Christ all will be made alive
1 Corinthians 15:51-57	Death is swallowed up in victory
1 Thessalonians 4:13-18	The dead in Christ will rise first
1 Peter 1:3-9	A living hope through the resurrection of Christ
1 John 3:1-2	We shall be like Him, for we shall see Him as He is
Revelation 7:9-17	Standing before the throne in front of the Lamb
Revelation 14:13	Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord
Revelation 21:1-7	A new heaven and a new earth

Gospel

Matthew 5:1-12	Blessed are you...
Mark 10:13-16	Little children brought to Jesus
Luke 2:25-32	Lord, let your servant go in peace
John 5:24-30	He has passed over from death to life
John 6:27-40	I will raise him up on the last day
John 10:11-16	I am the Good Shepherd
John 14:1-6	I am the Way, the Truth, and the Life

Suggested Funeral Hymns: *For Entrance, Hymn of the Day, or Procession for Leaving the Church*

395 O Morning Star, How Fair and Bright
420 Christ, the Life of All the Living
438 A Lamb Goes Uncomplaining Forth
449 O Sacred Head, Now Wounded
461 I Know That My Redeemer Lives
467 Awake, My Heart, with Gladness
477 Alleluia, Alleluia! Hearts to Heaven
482 This Joyful Eastertide
490 Jesus Lives! The Victory's Won
596 All Christians Who Have Been Baptized
601 All Who Believe and Are Baptized
633 At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing
672 Jerusalem the Golden
676 Behold a Host, Arrayed in White
677 For All the Saints
697 Awake, O Sleeper, Rise from Death
709 The King of Love My Shepherd Is
710 The Lord's My Shepherd, I'll Not Want (*Psalms 23*)
725 Children of the Heavenly Father
740 I Am Jesus' Little Lamb
741 Jesus Christ, My Sure Defense
742 For Me to Live Is Jesus
743 Jesus, Priceless Treasure
748 I'm But a Stranger Here
763 When Peace, like a River (*It is well with my soul*)
878 Abide with Me