



For the Final Season

Resources to Discuss and Share

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Notes

The resurrection is a central doctrine of the Christian faith and shapes Christians' attitudes and responses to the event of death. Death brings loss, sorrow, and grief to all. In the face of death Christians affirm with tears and joy the hope of the gospel. Christians do not bear bereavement in isolation but are sustained by the power of the Spirit and the community of faith. The church offers a ministry of love and hope to all who grieve. (*PCUSA Directory of Worship*)

This booklet is University Presbyterian Church's offering to those who want to offer their loved ones a particular measure of care at the end of their own life. It is meant to create space for a conversation in which family and friends might tend to one another's hopes for the end of life and offer one another the gift of thoughtful arrangements. It is meant as a tool for all people, at all stages of life, to continue contemplating how, in the beloved words of the Heidelberg Catechism, "In life and in death, we belong to God." You may want to give a copy of the completed contents to a loved one. The church office is also happy to keep a copy of pages 16-18 on file.

*We do not live to ourselves,
and we do not die to ourselves.
If we live, we live to the Lord,
and if we die, we die to the Lord,
so then, whether we live or whether we die,
we are the Lord's.*

~ Romans 14: 7 – 8

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Part 1: Personal Information

Identifying Information

Name _____

Social Security Number _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Phone _____

Date of Birth _____

Place of Birth _____

Marital Status: _____

Father's Full Name _____

Mother's Full Name (Include Maiden Name) _____

Service in U.S. Armed Forces: Yes _____ No _____ Dates: _____

Children

Name _____

Birth Date/Location _____

Address _____

Phone _____

Email _____

Name _____

Birth Date/Location _____

Address _____

Phone _____

Email _____

Name _____

Birth Date/Location _____

Address _____

Phone _____

Email _____

Name _____

Birth Date/Location _____

Address _____

Phone _____

Email _____

Person to be contacted in case of an emergency

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

More About You

Where did you grown up?

Schools/Degrees:

Work History

Organizations with which you volunteer or which you support

Do/Did you hold an office or leadership position?

Public Office

Part 2: Practical Information

Advisers

Name, address, phone number of trust and estate lawyer

Name, address, phone number of personal or business lawyer

Name, address, phone number of financial adviser

Name, address, phone number of accountant

Name, address, phone number of banker

Name, address, phone number of insurance agent

Name, address, phone number of health insurance

Name, address, phone number of employer and/or benefits person

Name, address, phone number of primary care physician

Name, address, phone number of other physicians

Other:

Location of Documents

Last Will and Testament

Location of Original

Location of Copies

Personal Representative (name, address, number)

Trustee(s) (name, address, number)

Guardian

Have you considered including University Presbyterian Church in your will? According to one research study, religion receives 33% of all charitable donations in America, but only 8% of all estate gifts.

A will is the cornerstone of a well-organized estate plan and can proclaim your Christian faith, demonstrating your response as a faithful steward to future generations. Making a charitable bequest is a wonderful opportunity to give witness to your faith and values. There are many different ways to structure/plan for such a gift, if you would like more information about this, please get in touch with the church office.

Durable Power of Attorney

Health Care Directive(s)

Insurance Policies (medical, long term care, life, property, liability, auto)

Birth/Marriage Certificate/Social Security Card/Passport, etc.

Computer Backup/External Hard Drive

Safe (location/combination)

Safe Deposit Box (location, number key)

Accounts

Checking

Savings

Credit Card(s)

Investment

Retirement

Mortgage

Other Loans/Equity Lines

Other

Passwords

Security System

Computer/phone/tablet

Email

Facebook/Twitter/other social media

Other:

Prepared this _____ day of _____ 20_____

by _____

Part 3: Planning A Memorial Service

A Service of Witness to the Resurrection

In the life of faith and with the community of faith, we gather for worship around significant moments. We gather for worship each Lord's Day on Sunday mornings; we worship through the holy days of Christmas, Lent, and Holy Week. And, we gather for the sacred purposes of baptism, communion, weddings, and funerals.

We gather in these times and spaces to give thanks to God for life and faith. To place our deepest hopes, joys, and sorrows in God's hands and to seek to respond as God leads us on.

A memorial service is no more and no less than this: Worship. We worship the God who created us for life, redeemed us in life, and sustains us throughout life. In a funeral or memorial service, we have the opportunity to give thanks to God for someone's life, to celebrate that life and grieve the absence created by death, and to place the many thoughts, images, and emotions in the larger context of the Word read and proclaimed.

These worship services are a time for your family and those who love you to be present to the grace of God. Doing some initial planning can be a great gift to your loved ones during a difficult time.

The church will make the arrangements for many aspects of the service

- Bulletins
- Music
- Ushers
- A cookie and punch reception after the service

But, it is helpful if the family can provide guidance in two areas, scripture and music. What follows are some possibilities for scriptures and hymns that we have found, over the years, to be helpful. If you would like to know more or would like to talk with someone about this, any member of the pastoral staff at University Presbyterian Church would be honored to meet with you.

Old Testament

Job 19:23-27	I know that my redeemer lives
Psalms 23	The Lord is my shepherd
Psalms 27:1, 4-9a, 13-14	The Lord is my light and my salvation
Psalms 42:1-6a	As a heart longs for flowing streams
Psalms 46:1-5, 10-11	A very present help in trouble
Psalms 90:1-10, 12	Teach us to number our days
Psalms 103	Bless the Lord, O my soul

Psalm 118	Open the gates of righteousness
Psalm 121	I lift up my eyes to the hills
Psalm 130	Out of the depths I cry to the Lord
Psalm 139:1-12	Whither shall I go from Your Spirit?
Isaiah 25:6-9	God will swallow up death forever
Isaiah 26:1-4, 19	God will keep them in perfect peace
Isaiah 40:1-11	Comfort, comfort my people
Isaiah 40:28-31	With wings as eagles
Isaiah 42:1-3a	I have called you by name; you are mine
Isaiah 44:6-8	I am the first and the last
Isaiah 55:1-3, 6-13	Everyone who thirsts, come to the waters
Isaiah 65:17-25	I create new heavens and a new earth
Ecclesiastes 3:1-15	For everything there is a season

New Testament (Epistles)

Romans 5:1-11	Hope does not disappoint us
Romans 6:3-9	We too might walk in newness of life.
Romans 8:14-23, 31-39	Nothing can separate us from God's love
Romans 14:7-9, 10b-12	Whether we live or die, we are the Lord's
1 Corinthians 15:3-8, 12-20a	Christ raised from the dead
1 Corinthians 15:20-24	In Christ shall all be made alive
1 Corinthians 15:53-58	Death swallowed up in victory
2 Corinthians 4:16 – 5:1	If this earthly tent we live in is destroyed
2 Corinthians 5:1-10	We have a house not made with hands
2 Timothy 2:8-13	If we died with him, we shall also live
Hebrews 11:1 – 12:2	Faith, the great cloud of witnesses
1 John 3:1-3	We are the children of God
Revelation 21:1-4, 22-25	A new heaven and a new earth
Revelation 22:1-5	The Lord God will be their light

New Testament (Gospels)

Matthew 5:1-12a	The Beatitudes
Matthew 25:1-13	The last judgment
John 3:16-21	God so loved the world
John 6:37-40	Whoever comes to me I will not cast out
John 6:47-58	Whoever believes in me has eternal life
John 11:17-27	I am the resurrection and the life
John 11:38-44	Lazarus raised from the dead
John 14:1-6, 25-27	In my Father's house... let not your hearts be troubled

Hymns

A Mighty Fortress Is our God (275)
Abide With Me (836)
Christ Is Risen! Shout Hosanna! (248)
For All the Saints (326)
From All That Dwell Below the Skies (327)
Give to the Winds Thy Fears (815)
God of Our Life, Through All the Circling Years (686)
Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah (65)
I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art (624)
Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise (12)
Jesus Christ Is Risen Today (232)
My Faith Looks Up to Thee (829)
My Shepherd Will Supply My Need (803)
Our God, Our Help in Ages Past (687)
Praise, My Soul the King of Heaven (620)
Precious Lord, Take My Hand (834)
The Lord's My Shepherd, I'll Not Want (801)
The Strife Is O'er (236)

Interment of Ashes

The Anne McClamroch McFall Memorial Garden is available to church members (as well as former members who made the request while they were members) for the interment of ashes. Ashes are buried in a biodegradable container or no container and then the individual's name is inscribed on the granite wall above. A form indicating your desire to have your ashes interred in the garden is included in this booklet.

The *Book of Remembrance* contains information about members whose ashes are interred in the Anne McClamroch McFall Memorial Garden, creating a lasting keepsake honoring the saints who have come before us. An obituary is good material for such a record, or a family may submit biographical information and a picture in another way. The *Book of Remembrance* is on display just inside the doors leading to the garden.

If you have any information to share with us, please email the UPC History/Memorial Garden Book Care Team at memorial@upcch.org or call the church office at (919) 929-2102.

*Support us, Lord,
all the day long,
until the shadows lengthen,
the evening comes,
the busy world is hushed,
the fever of life is over,
and our work done,
then Lord, in your mercy,
give us safe lodging,
a holy rest
and peace at the last.
Amen.*

Funeral Preferences

The following preferences are shared recognizing that final decisions are made by the officiating clergy in consultation with the family at the appropriate time.

Hymns

Scriptures

Flowers

Memorials should directed to:

Preference for Remains (burial/cremation, cemetery/garden)

Other Preferences or Special Requests

Person(s) to whom this information has been given (name, address, number)

Prepared this _____ day of _____ 20_____
by _____

REQUEST FOR INTERMENT OF ASHES IN MEMORIAL GARDEN
UNIVERSITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, CHAPEL HILL, NORTH CAROLINA

Your Full Name* _____

Date of birth _____

Address _____

Phone (home) (____) _____ (work) (____) _____

Other (____) _____ Email _____

Reserve space for spouse's name on same panel? ____ yes ____ no

Name of spouse _____
[A separate form must be completed for each individual]

Name of Family Representative _____

Address _____

Phone (home) (____) _____ (work) (____) _____

Other (____) _____ Email _____

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Date of death _____

Placed in area # _____

Date name added _____

Panel # _____

INFORMATION VERIFIED

DATE	VERIFIED BY
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

*Name and dates are limited to a total of 55 characters/numbers/spaces.

Date of request _____



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