

ALL SAINTS' EPISCOPAL CHURCH

In Celebration and Thanksgiving for the Life of **John J. Smith**

Birth Date

Death Date

Founded in 1742 106 W. Church Street, Frederick, MD 21701 301-663-5625 www.allsaintsmd.org Funeral Date Time

This is a sample bulletin to give you an idea of what a service may look like. Notes to help you along will be in grey boxes, but will not appear in your final bulletin.

THE ORDER OF SERVICE

PRELUDE

OPENING ANTHEM

Standing, as able

I am Resurrection and I am Life, says the Lord. Whoever has faith in me shall have life, even though he die.

And everyone who has life, and has committed himself to me in faith, shall not die for ever.

As for me, I know that my Redeemer lives and that at the last he will stand upon the earth. After my awaking, he will raise me up; and in my body I shall see God. I myself shall see, and my eyes behold him who is my friend and not a stranger.

For none of us has life in himself, and none becomes his own master when he dies. For if we have life, we are alive in the Lord, and if we die, we die in the Lord. So, then, whether we live or die, we are the Lord's possession.

Happy from now on are those who die in the Lord! So it is, says the Spirit, for they rest from their labors.

HYMN - ###

Sung by all

Name of hymn

Tune name

Hymns are not mandatory, and can appear in several different places in the service. Our music director can help you to choose music, and decide where it will go.

COLLECT

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

O God of grace and glory, we remember before you this day our brother (sister) Name. We thank you for giving him/her to us, his/her family and friends, to know and to love as a companion on our earthly pilgrimage. In your boundless compassion, console us who mourn. Give us faith to see in death the gate of eternal life, so that in quiet confidence we may continue our course on earth, until, by your call, we are reunited with those who have gone before; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE WORD OF GOD

You may choose one or more Bible readings for this section of the service. The only provision is that when communion is offered, a Gospel passage must be read.

The people are seated for the readings and the psalm.

THE FIRST READING

The full text of your reading will go here. Suggested passages are found in the Book of Common Prayer on page 494, or in our 'Reading Selections' booklet.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM

Read responsively by alternating whole verse.

Text choices are found in the Book of Common Prayer on page 495, or in our 'Reading Selections' booklet.

THE SECOND READING

Chapter Book: Verse

Chapter Book: Verses

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The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The people stand to sing, and remain standing for the reading of the Gospel.

HYMN AT THE SEQUENCE - 000 (vs. ?-?) Sung by all.

Name Tune name

THE HOLY GOSPEL

Chapter Book: verse

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Apostle.

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Text choices are found in the Book of Common Prayer on page 480, or in our 'Reading Selections' booklet.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The people are seated at the invitation of the preacher.

REMEMBRANCES

The pastor can help you decide if remembrances are appropriate for your service.

HOMILY

The Rev. Christopher Jones

The people stand.

APOSTLES' CREED

Said by all.

Book of Common Prayer p. 496

In the assurance of eternal life given at Baptism, let us proclaim our faith and say,

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
The holy catholic Church,
The communion of saints,
The forgiveness of sins,
The resurrection of the body,
And the life everlasting. Amen.

If there is no communion offered, the Lord's prayer is said.

THE LORD'S PRAYER BCP p. 364

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say:

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

BCP p. 497

The people will respond

Hear us, Lord.

For our brother/sister Name, let us pray to our Lord Jesus Christ who said, "I am Resurrection and I am Life."

Leader Lord, you consoled Martha and Mary in their distress; draw near to us who mourn for Name, and dry the tears of those who weep.

People Hear us, Lord.

Leader You wept at the grave of Lazarus, your friend; comfort us in our sorrow.

People Hear us, Lord.

Leader You raised the dead to life; give to our brother/sister eternal life.

People Hear us, Lord.

Leader You promised paradise to the thief who repented; bring our brother/

sister to the joys of heaven.

People Hear us, Lord.

Leader Our brother/sister was washed in Baptism and anointed with the Holy

Spirit; give him/her fellowship with all your saints.

People Hear us, Lord.

Leader He/She was nourished with your Body and Blood; grant him/her a

place at the table in your heavenly kingdom.

People Hear us, Lord.

Leader Comfort us in our sorrows at the death of our brother/sister; let our

faith be our consolation, and eternal life our hope.

Silence may be kept. The Celebrant concludes with a prayer.

If there is no communion, skip forward to the Commendation.

THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

The people greet one another with a sign of God's peace and are then seated.

HYMN - 000 Sung by all.

Name Tune name

THE HOLY COMMUNION

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Eucharistic Prayer ??

Book of Common Prayer p. ??

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The Celebrant offers our thanks to God for the grace and mercy made available to us in Christ, and in response we say/sing:

SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,

heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

The Celebrant gives thanks to God for the reconciling work of Christ's passion and resurrection and prays over the bread and wine.

Responsorial sentences from Book of Common Prayer are inserted here, based on the clergy's prayer selection.

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THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD AND THE FRACTION

Alleluia, Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us:

Therefore let us keep the feast, Alleluia.

There will be no 'Alleluias' at funerals during Lent.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION The people are seated.

Our custom in the Episcopal Church is to welcome all who are baptized to receive the bread and wine at Communion (you may receive just the bread if you prefer). You may dip the bread in the wine or drink from the chalice. If you are not baptized, or would prefer not to receive communion, you may cross your arms over your chest. Consecrated gluten-free wafers are available; please inform the clergy if you have gluten sensitivity.

MINISTRATION OF COMMUNION

HYMN AT THE COMMUNION - 000 Sung by all.

Name Tune name

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Said by all, standing.

BCP p. 498

Almighty God, we thank you that in your great love you have fed us with the spiritual food and drink of the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ, and have given us a foretaste of your heavenly banquet. Grant that this Sacrament may be to us a comfort in affliction, and a pledge of our inheritance in that kingdom where there is no death, neither sorrow nor crying, but the fullness of joy with all your saints; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

Give rest, O Christ, to your servant with your saints,

where sorrow and pain are no more, neither sighing, but life everlasting.

You only are immortal, the creator and maker of mankind; and we are mortal, formed of the earth, and to earth shall we return. For so did you ordain when you created me, saying, "You are dust, and to dust you shall return." All of us go down to the dust; yet even at the grave we make our song: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Give rest, O Christ, to your servant with your saints, where sorrow and pain are no more, neither sighing, but life everlasting.

Into your hands, O merciful Savior, we commend your servant Name. Acknowledge, we humbly beseech you, a sheep of your own fold, a lamb of your own flock, a sinner of your own redeeming. Receive him/her into the arms of your mercy, into the blessed rest of everlasting peace, and into the glorious company of the saints in light.

Amen.

THE BLESSING

The Celebrant offers a blessing and the people respond Amen.

THE DISMISSAL

Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

HYMN AT THE RECESSION - 000

Sung by all.

Name

Tune Name

POSTLUDE

Invitation to graveside or reception goes here.