



Funeral Guide

Funeral/Memorial Service Customary Pohick Church, Lorton, Virginia

"I am the resurrection and the life, saith the Lord..." - BCP, p. 469

The death of a loved one is a solemn and painful occasion with a myriad of emotions and details to navigate. This customary is intended to help ease the burden on those who must plan a funeral or memorial service by describing the liturgical practices of Pohick Church. This customary also enables our clergy and staff to assist your family in planning the service.

When a baptized Christian dies, it is proper that the person is buried from the Church. It is also helpful to schedule a service at a time when community members have the opportunity to be present.

It is generally advisable to work with a licensed funeral director, and when possible, to make prearrangements with the funeral home and the Church.

Notification

Families often have some warning that death is imminent. In these cases, parish clergy should be contacted, to provide pastoral care for the dying, the family, and all others who are in need of such care.

When such notification is impossible, The Book of Common Prayer (BCP) states: "*The death of a member of the Church should be reported as soon as possible to, and arrangements for the funeral should be made in consultation with, the Minister of the Congregation.*" BCP, p.490

Timely notification not only helps in making the arrangements; it also allows the community to care for the bereaved through prayer and presence as appropriate. The clergy and staff can also provide support for the initial arrangements, from contacting family members to meeting with funeral directors.

At no time should any arrangement be made that involves Pohick Church facilities or staff before consultation with the Rector or the Rector's designee. This is particularly crucial when preparing obituary listings, as service times and locations rely upon the availability of facilities and clergy. In most cases accommodations can be made for funerals and memorial service times as requested. Funerals are not held on Mondays because of the Church's prearranged schedule of maintenance on the grounds.

Arrangements

Once the Church has been contacted and the initial time and day of the service are planned, there are a number of details to be organized.

Location: Where will the service take place? We will need to know if the service will take place at Pohick Church, a funeral home, a cemetery/memorial garden, etc. It is appropriate that baptized Christians be buried from the church. When services are provided at Pohick Church, the family will be hosted in the Vestry House immediately before the service.

Music: Will there be music at the service? Will there be Hymns, solos, vocalists, special musicians?

All arrangements for music are made through the Organist/Choirmaster in consultation with the officiant. A listing of suggested hymns may be found in Appendix B. All music must be sacred in nature.

Service Type: Will the service be memorial only, or will there be a local burial/interment? *Will the Holy Eucharist, or Communion, be a part of the service? A service bulletin will be prepared in consultation with the Rector. The family is invited to provide an obituary and photograph. Ushers are required if the service includes a Eucharist.*

Flowers: Will there be flowers for the service?

The family makes arrangements for flowers with the flower guild director. If you use a florist other than the Pohick Church Flower Guild, please have the florist contact the Church office to ensure they have the correct dimensions of the flower urns. Note: only two arrangements are permitted in the church. One on each of the pedestals flanking the altar. Flowers typically remain on the altar for weekend services. Other arrangements and memorial flowers may be placed in the parish hall or at the grave.

Reception: Will there be a reception after the service? Will it be at Pohick Church, someone's home, or a public venue?

Receptions for members of Pohick Church are arranged through the Martha's Guild.

Non-members may rent the parish hall and cater a reception at their own expense. This should be coordinated through the Cemetery Warden and Parish Administrator.

A Video presentation monitor is available for slide show or PowerPoint presentations at the reception.

Photography
Videography

Will there be a photographer or videographer?

Pohick Church offers livestreaming services for a fee of \$150. Outside photographers and videographers may be used upon approval of the clergy. Photographers/videographers must remain stationary on the balcony or in the back of the church during the liturgy. No flash photography is permitted.

Planning the Service

The service for the Burial of the Dead is found on pages 469 (Rite I) and 491 (Rite II) of *BCP 1979*. While most of the service is just as it is lined out in the prayer book, there are several options for families to consider. Once decisions have been made about whether there will be a Eucharist or music, the next consideration is normally the readings.

Readings

The prayer book offers suggested readings from the Old and New Testaments, Psalms, and Gospels readings. Other reading from the canonized scriptures may be substituted upon request.

Some families choose one of each, while others choose only one. There must be a reading from the Gospel if there is to be Communion. If a family wishes to use a passage that holds particular importance for the deceased or other family members, it should be coordinated with the officiant.

On pages 494-495 in the prayer book, there are suggestions for readings from the BCP. The full text of the readings may be found in Appendix A.

Family and friends are invited to read passages from the Psalms, and the Old and New Testaments, and those invitations are made by the family and coordinated with the Rector. If persons prepare ahead of time for reading at a service, Pohick Church typically uses the New Revised Standard Version (NRSV) of the bible. Readings from the King James Version (KJV) may also be used upon request.

Eulogies

As a rule, lengthy eulogies are not a part of Anglican Burial services. It is, however, not uncommon, and often helpful, for a member of the family or a friend to say a few words about the deceased. This can happen immediately before the presider's homily. When comments are made, it is strongly recommended that they be written down and limited to the equivalent of one typed page.

Other Things to Keep in Mind

Burial liturgies range in time from 25 minutes for the most basic service to one hour when music and Communion are included. Please feel free to discuss the particulars of the service you are planning with the officiant to estimate the availability of receptions, interments, or other temporal considerations.

When coffins and urns are brought into the Church for the service, floral arrangements are removed and draped with a pall. This is to ensure that as each of us leaves this world, we do so as equals. There are no distinctions to be made in the Church through the choice of a casket or urn. The pall replaces even the American flag when it is draped on a casket, although the flag is replaced immediately after the service. Viewings are not offered in the church.

The use of color guards and the inclusion of military honors are always welcome. Arrangements can be made with most funeral directors for such honors, and when they take place at the Church, they are coordinated with the presiding minister and should take place at the conclusion of the liturgy or at the end of the graveside portion of the service.

Ask your funeral director whether they provide ushers for the service or whether you need to find your own ushers. Sometimes family and friends of the deceased can serve in this role, and there is also the possibility of asking members of the parish to serve this role.

Fees and Memorial Gifts

There are no fees for a standard burial service for active members of Pohick Church. Some, however, choose to make gifts to the Church in honor of their loved one and in thanksgiving for the ministry of the community. Families may also indicate that in lieu of flowers, memorial gifts may be made to Pohick Church.

The list of fees below is for nonmembers of Pohick Church, and can be used as a model for members who also wish to make gifts. All fees are paid to Pohick Church, Lorton, VA unless otherwise indicated. Accommodations can be made for pastoral and/or financial hardships through discussion with the rector.

Basic funeral service in the Church with clergy:	\$- Donation
Graveside service only:	\$150 to \$200
If more than 10 chairs needed:	\$150 *
Open and Close of the grave (cremains only) in a family plot:	\$300 - \$350
For casket burials Cemetery Warden will inform the Family of the cost	
Organist (fees paid directly to the Organist):	\$350
Special Musicians at contracted rate through the Organist:	
Livestream the service:	\$150
Parish Hall Rental for Reception (4 hour maximum)	\$650
Parish Hall annex	\$150
Use of Kitchen	\$200

Arrangements Contacts

Approval of Date: Rector or Rector's Designee 703-339-6572

Liturgy and Initial Planning: The Clergy

Music: Mr. Ronald Butts Boehmer

Cemetery Warden: Sandra Caesar, 703-965-5231 cell

Receptions (for members only): Mrs. Connie Myers, 703-201-2204

Parish Administrator: Kara Faunt, 703-339-6572

Pohick Church, Funeral Information

Full name of deceased: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Date of death: _____

Date of funeral: _____

Time: _____

Location (Pohick or Other): _____

Funeral Home: _____

Florist: _____

Family Contact person #1: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____

Send memorial donation acknowledgements to: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Reception: (Please circle) Yes No

Before the service After the service Martha's Guild Other

Burial of the Dead:

(Circle One) Rite I (BCP 469) or Rite II (BCP 491) Holy Eucharist: Yes No

Prelude (Optional): _____

Opening hymn (Optional): _____

The Readings (Must have at least one, can have up to five)

First Reading: _____

Reader: _____

Gradual (Optional): Psalm _____

Second Reading: _____

Reader: _____

Psalm, hymn, or canticle hymn (Optional): _____

Gospel (required if having Holy Communion): _____

Reader, if no Holy Communion: _____

The Sermon

Family Remembrance (Eulogy):

Eulogist Name, Name: _____

Sermon: Yes No (There must be a homily if there is a Family Remembrance)

Preacher: _____

The Holy Communion

Optional Offertory Music (Hymn, anthem, instrumental): _____

Optional Communion Music (Hymn, anthem, instrumental): _____

Optional Closing hymn: _____

Postlude: _____

The Committal:

Public or Private

For interment in Pohick Church Cemetery: Family member to bear ashes to grave?

Yes No

For interment: Does the family wish to be present for and/or participate in the closing of the grave? Yes No

For Burial at alternative Site: for example Arlington or Quantico National Cemetery:

Has the date and time for committal been determined with the National Cemetery?
Yes No

For caskets: Does the family wish to be present when the casket is lowered into the grave?

Yes No

Appendix A - Readings

Old Testament Readings

Isaiah 25:6-9

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. And he will destroy on this mountain the shroud that is cast over all peoples, the sheet that is spread over all nations; he will swallow up death forever. 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. 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

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

Wisdom of Solomon 3:1-5,9

But the souls of the righteous are in the hand of God, and no torment will ever touch them. In the eyes of the foolish they seemed to have died, and their departure was thought to be a disaster, and their going from us to be their destruction; but they are at peace. For though in the sight of others they were punished, their hope is full of immortality. Having been disciplined a little, they will receive great good, because God tested them and found them worthy of

himself; 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

Have pity on me, have pity on me, O you my friends, for the hand of God has touched me! Why do you, like God, pursue me, never satisfied with my flesh? "O that my words were written down! O that they were inscribed in a book! O that with an iron pen and with lead they were engraved on a rock forever! For I know that my Redeemer lives, and that at the last he will stand upon the earth; and after my skin has been thus destroyed, then in my flesh I shall see God, whom I shall see on my side, and my eyes shall behold, and not another.

The Psalms

Psalm 23—King James Version

The LORD is my shepherd; *
I shall not want.

He maketh me to lie down in green pastures; * he leadeth me
beside the still waters. He restoreth my soul; * he leadeth me in
the paths of righteousness for his Name's sake.

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. Thou preparest a
table before me in the presence of mine enemies; * thou anointest my head
with oil; my cup runneth over. 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 23—Rite II

The LORD is my shepherd; *
I shall not be in want.

He makes me lie down in green pastures * and leads me
beside still waters. He revives my soul * and guides me
along right pathways for his Name's sake.

Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,
I shall fear no evil; * for you are with me; your rod
and your staff, they comfort me. You spread a table
before me in the presence of those
who trouble me; *

you have anointed my head with oil,
and my cup is running over.

Surely your 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 – Rite I

Dominus illuminatio

The LORD is my light and my salvation;
whom then shall I fear? * the LORD
is the strength of my life; of whom
then shall I be afraid?

One thing have I desired of the LORD, which I will require, *
even that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the
days of my life, to behold the fair beauty of
the LORD, and to visit his temple. For in the time of trouble he
shall hide me in his tabernacle; * yea, in the secret place of
his dwelling shall he hide me, and set me up upon a rock of
stone. And now shall he lift up mine head * above mine
enemies round about me. Therefore will I offer in his dwelling
an oblation with

great gladness; *

I will sing and speak praises unto the LORD. Hearken
unto my voice, O LORD, when I cry unto thee; * have
mercy upon me, and hear me.

My heart hath talked of thee, Seek ye my face. *

Thy face, LORD, will I seek.

O hide not thou thy face from me, * nor cast
thy servant away in displeasure.

I should utterly have fainted, * but that I believe verily to see the
goodness of the LORD in the land of the living.

O tarry thou the LORD's leisure; * be strong, and
he shall comfort thine heart; and put thou thy
trust in the LORD.

Psalm 27 – Rite II

Dominus illuminatio

The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom then
shall I fear? * the LORD is the strength of my life; of
whom then shall I be afraid? One thing have I asked of
the LORD; one thing I seek; * that I may dwell in the
house of the LORD all the days of my life;
To behold the fair beauty of the LORD *
and to seek him in his temple.
For in the day of trouble he shall keep me safe in
his shelter; *

he shall hide me in the secrecy of his dwelling and
set me high upon a rock.
Even now he lifts up my head * above
my enemies round about me.
Therefore I will offer in his dwelling an oblation with
sounds of great gladness; *
I will sing and make music to the LORD.
Hearken to my voice, O LORD, when I call; * have
mercy on me and answer me. You speak in my
heart and say, "Seek my face." * Your face, LORD,
will I seek.
Hide not your face from me, * nor turn away
your servant in displeasure. What if I had
not believed that I should see the goodness
of the LORD *
in the land of the living! O tarry and await
the LORD'S pleasure; be strong, and he shall
comfort your heart; *
wait patiently for the LORD.

Psalm 42:1-7 – Rite I

Quemadmodum

Like as the hart desireth the water-brooks, *
so longeth my soul after thee, O God.
My soul is athirst for God, yea, even for the living God; *
when shall I come to appear before the presence of
God? My tears have been my meat day and night, *
while they daily say unto me, Where is now thy God?
Now when I think thereupon, I pour out my heart by myself; *
for I went with the multitude, and brought them forth into
the house of God;
In the voice of praise and thanksgiving, *
among such as keep holy-day.
Why art thou so full of heaviness, O my soul? *
and why art thou so disquieted within me
? O put thy trust in God; *
for I will yet thank him, which is the help of my
countenance, and my God.

Psalm 42:1-7 – Rite II

Quemadmodum

As the deer longs for the water-brooks, *
so longs my soul for you, O God.

My soul is athirst for God, athirst for the living God; *
when shall I come to appear before the presence of God?
My tears have been my food day and night, * while all
day long they say to me,
"Where now is your God?"
I pour out my soul when I think on these things; *
how I went with the multitude and led them into the
house of God,
With the voice of praise and thanksgiving, *
among those who keep holy-day. Why are you so
full of heaviness, O my soul? * and why are you
so disquieted within me? Put your trust in God; *
for I will yet give thanks to him, who is the help
of my countenance, and my God.

Psalm 46 – Rite I

Deus noster refugium God is our
hope and strength, * a very
present help in trouble.

Therefore will we not fear, though the earth be moved,; * and
though the hills be carried into the midst of the sea; Though the
waters thereof rage and swell, * and though the mountains
shake at the tempest of the same. There is a river, the streams
whereof make glad the city of God, * the holy place of the
tabernacle of the Most Highest. God is in the midst of her,
therefore shall she not be removed; * God shall help her,
and that right early.

Be still then, and know that I am God; *
I will be exalted among the
nations, and I will be exalted in
the earth. The LORD of hosts is with us;
* the God of Jacob is our refuge.

Psalm 46 – Rite II

Deus noster refugium

God is our refuge and strength, *
a very present help in trouble.
Therefore we will not fear, though the earth be moved, *
and though the mountains be toppled into the
depths of the sea;
Though its waters rage and foam, * and though
the mountains tremble at its tumult. The LORD of

hosts is with us; * the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, * the holy habitation of the Most High. God is in the midst of her; she shall not be overthrown; * God shall help her at the break of day.

The nations make much ado, and the kingdoms are shaken; * God has spoken, and the earth shall melt away. The LORD of hosts is with us; * the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

Come now and look upon the works of the LORD, * what awesome things he has done on earth. It is he who makes war to cease in all the world; * he breaks the bow, and shatters the spear, and burns the shields with fire. "Be still, then, and know that I am God; *

I will be exalted among the nations;

I will be exalted in the earth." The LORD of hosts is with us; * the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

Psalm 90:1-12 – Rite I

Domine, refugium

LORD, thou hast been our refuge, * from one generation to another. Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever the earth and the world were made, * thou art God from everlasting, and world without end. Thou turnest man to destruction; * again thou sayest, Come again, ye children of men. For a thousand years in thy sight are but as yesterday when it is past, * and as a watch in the night.

As soon as thou scatterest them they are even as a sleep, * and fade away suddenly like the grass. In the morning it is green, and groweth up; * but in the evening it is cut down, dried up, and withered. For we consume away in thy displeasure, * and are afraid at thy wrathful indignation. Thou hast set our misdeeds before thee, * and our secret sins in the light of thy countenance. For when thou art angry all our days are gone; * we bring our years to an end, as it were a tale that is told. The days of our age are threescore years and ten; and though men be so strong that they come to fourscore years, * yet is their strength then but labor and sorrow, so soon passeth it away, and we are gone. So teach us to number our days, * that we may apply our hearts unto wisdom.

Psalm 90:1-12 – Rite II

Domine, refugium

Lord, you have been our refuge * from
one generation to another. Before the
mountains were brought forth, or the
land and the earth were born, * from
age to age you are God. You turn us back
to the dust and say, *

"Go back, O child of earth."

For a thousand years in your sight are like yesterday
when it is past *

and like a watch in the night.

You sweep us away like a dream; * we fade away
suddenly like the grass. In the morning it is green and
flourishes; * in the evening it is dried up and
withered. For we consume away in your displeasure; *
we are afraid because of your wrathful indignation.
Our iniquities you have set before you, * and our
secret sins in the light of your countenance. When
you are angry, all our days are gone; * we bring our
years to an end like a sigh. The span of our life is
seventy years, perhaps in strength even eighty; *
yet the sum of them is but labor and sorrow, for
they pass away quickly and we are gone. Who regards
the power of your wrath? * who rightly fears your
indignation?

So teach us to number our days * that
we may apply our hearts to wisdom.

Psalm 106:1-5

Confitemini Domino

Hallelujah!

Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good, * for
his mercy endures for ever. Who can declare
the mighty acts of the LORD * or show forth
all his praise? Happy are those who act with
justice * and always do what is right!
Remember me, O LORD, with the favor you have for
your people, *

and visit me with your saving help; That I
may see the prosperity of your elect and be
glad with the gladness of your people, * that
I may glory with your inheritance.

Psalm 116 – Rite I *Dilexi,*
quoniam

My delight is in the LORD, *
because he hath heard the voice of my prayer;
Because he hath inclined his ear unto me, *
therefore will I call upon him as long as I live. The
snares of death compassed me round about, *
and the pains of hell gat hold upon me. I found
trouble and heaviness; then called I upon the
Name of the LORD; * O LORD, I beseech thee,
deliver my soul. Gracious is the LORD, and
righteous; * yea, our God is merciful.
The LORD preserveth the simple; *
I was in misery, and he helped me. Turn
again then unto thy rest, O my soul, *
for the LORD hath rewarded thee.
And why? thou hast delivered my soul from death, *
mine eyes from tears, and my feet from falling. I will
walk before the LORD * in the land of the living.
I will pay my vows now in the presence of all his people; *
right dear in the sight of the LORD is the death of his saints.

Psalm 116 – Rite II
Dilexi, quoniam

I love the LORD, because he has heard the voice of
my supplication, *
because he has inclined his ear to me whenever
I called upon him.
The cords of death entangled me; the
grip of the grave took hold of me; * I
came to grief and sorrow.
Then I called upon the Name of the LORD: *
"O LORD, I pray you, save my life."
Gracious is the LORD and righteous; *
our God is full of compassion.
The LORD watches over the innocent; *

I was brought very low, and he helped me. Turn again to your rest, O my soul. * for the LORD has treated you well. For you have rescued my life from death, * my eyes from tears, and my feet from stumbling. I will walk in the presence of the LORD * in the land of the living. I will fulfill my vows to the LORD * in the presence of all his people. Precious in the sight of the LORD * is the death of his servants.

Psalm 121 – Rite I

Levavi oculos

I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills; *
from whence cometh my help? My help
cometh even from the LORD, * who hath
made heaven and earth. He will not suffer thy
foot to be moved, * and he that keepeth thee
will not sleep. Behold, he that keepeth Israel *
shall neither slumber nor sleep. The
LORD himself is thy keeper; * the LORD is thy
defence upon thy right hand; So that the sun
shall not burn thee by day, * neither the moon
by night.
The LORD shall preserve thee from all evil; * yea, it is even
he that shall keep thy soul. The LORD shall preserve thy
going out, and thy coming in, * from this time forth
for evermore.

Psalm 121 – Rite II

Levavi oculos

I lift up my eyes to the hills; * from where is my
help to come? My help comes from the LORD, *
the maker of heaven and earth. He will not let your
foot be moved * and he who watches over you
will not fall asleep. Behold, he who keeps watch
over Israel * shall neither slumber nor sleep; The
LORD himself watches over you; * the LORD is
your shade at your right hand, So that the sun shall
not strike you by day, * nor the moon by night.
The LORD shall preserve you from all evil; *
it is he who shall keep you safe.
The LORD shall watch over your going out and

your coming in, *
from this time forth for evermore.

Psalm 130 – Rite I

De profundis

Out of the deep have I called unto thee, O LORD; *
Lord, hear my voice.
O let thine ears consider well *
the voice of my complaint.
If thou, LORD, wilt be extreme to mark what is done amiss, *
O Lord, who may abide it? For there is mercy with
thee, * therefore shalt thou be feared. I look for the
LORD; my soul doth wait for him; * in his word is my trust.
My soul fleeth unto the Lord before the morning watch; *
I say, before the morning watch. O Israel, trust in
the LORD, for with the LORD there is mercy, * and
with him is plenteous redemption.
And he shall redeem Israel *
from all his sins.

Psalm 130 – Rite I

De profundis

Out of the depths have I called to you, O LORD; LORD,
hear my voice; * let your ears consider well the voice of
my supplication. If you, LORD, were to note what is done
amiss, * O LORD, who could stand? For there is
forgiveness with you; * therefore you shall be feared. I
wait for the LORD; my soul waits for him; * in his word
is my hope. My soul waits for the LORD, more than
watchmen for the morning, * more than watchmen for
the morning. O Israel, wait for the LORD, * for with the
LORD there is mercy; With him there is plenteous
redemption, * and he shall redeem Israel from all their
sins.

Psalm 139:1-11 – Rite I

Domine, probasti

O LORD, thou hast searched me out, and known me. *
Thou knowest my down-sitting and mine up-
rising; thou understandest my thoughts long before.
Thou art about my path, and about my bed, *
and art acquainted with all my ways. For lo,

there is not a word in my tongue, * but thou, O LORD,
knowest it altogether. Thou hast beset me behind and
before, * and laid thine hand upon me.
Such knowledge is too wonderful and excellent for me; *
I cannot attain unto it. Whither shall I go then
from thy Spirit? * or whither shall I go then from thy
presence? If I climb up into heaven, thou art there; *
if I go down to hell, thou art there also. If I take
the wings of the morning, * and remain in the
uttermost parts of the sea; Even there also shall thy
hand lead me, * and thy right hand shall hold me.
If I say, Peradventure the darkness shall cover me, *
then shall my night be turned to day.
Yea, the darkness is no darkness with thee, but
the night is as clear as day; * the
darkness and light to thee are both alike.

Psalms 139:1-11 – Rite II

Domine, probasti

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

New Testament Readings

Romans 8:14-19,34-35,37-39

For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. 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!" it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, 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. I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory about to be revealed to us. For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the children of God; 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. Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will hardship, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, 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.

1 Corinthians 15:20-26,35-38,42-44,53-58

But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died. For since death came through a human being, the resurrection of the dead has also come through a human being; for as all die in Adam, so all will be made alive in Christ. But each in his own order: Christ the first fruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ. 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. For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. The last enemy to be destroyed is death. But someone will ask, "How are the dead raised? With what kind of body do they come?" Fool! What you sow does not come to life unless it dies. 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. But God gives it a body as he has chosen, and to each kind of seed its own body. So it is with the resurrection of the dead. What is sown is perishable, what is raised is imperishable. It is sown in dishonor, it is raised in glory. It is sown in weakness, it is raised in power. It is sown a physical body, it is raised a spiritual body. If there is a physical body, there is also a spiritual body. For this perishable body must put on imperishability, and this mortal body must put on immortality. 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." "Where, O death, is your victory? Where, O death, is your sting?" The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. Therefore, my beloved, be steadfast, immovable, always excelling in the work of the Lord, because you know that in the Lord your labor is not in vain.

2 Corinthians 4:16-5:9

So we do not lose heart. Even though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner nature is being renewed day by day. For this slight momentary affliction is preparing us for an eternal weight of glory beyond all measure, 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. 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. For in this tent we groan, longing to be clothed with

our heavenly dwelling— if indeed, when we have taken it off we will not be found naked. 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. He who has prepared us for this very thing is God, who has given us the Spirit as a guarantee. So we are always confident; even though we know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord— for we walk by faith, not by sight. Yes, we do have confidence, and we would rather be away from the body and at home with the Lord. So whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to please him.

1 John 3:1-2

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. 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

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. They cried out in a loud voice, saying, "Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!" 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 worshiped God, singing, "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen." Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?" 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. 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. They will hunger no more, and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat; for the Lamb at the center 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

And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. 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; 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." 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." 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. Those who conquer will inherit these things, and I will be their God and they will be my children.

The Holy Gospel Readings

John 5:24-27

Very truly, I tell you, anyone who hears my word and believes him who sent me has eternal life, and does not come under judgment, but has passed from death to life. “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. For just as the Father has life in himself, so he has granted the Son also to have life in himself; and he has given him authority to execute judgment, because he is the Son of Man.

John 6:37-40

Everything that the Father gives me will come to me, and anyone who comes to me I will never drive away; for I have come down from heaven, not to do my own will, but the will of him who sent me. 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. 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

“I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. 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. The hired hand runs away because a hired hand does not care for the sheep. I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father. And I lay down my life for the sheep. 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

Martha said to Jesus, “Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. But even now I know that God will give you whatever you ask of him.” Jesus said to her, “Your brother will rise again.” Martha said to him, “I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day.” Jesus said to her, “I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?” 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

“Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. 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? 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. And you know the way to the place where I am going.” Thomas said to him, “Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?” Jesus said to him, “I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.

Appendix B – Suggested Music

The Hymnal 1982

178, *Alleluia, give thanks to the risen Lord*
208, *Alleluia! The strife is o’er, the battle done*
287, *For all the saints, who from their labors rest*
293, *I sing a song of the Saints*
296, *We know that Christ is raised*
304, *I come with joy to meet my Lord*
335, *I am the bread of life*
362, *Holy, holy, holy*
376, *Joyful, joyful we adore thee*
390, *Praise to the Lord*
400, *All creatures of our God and King*
410, *Praise my soul the King of Heaven*
416, *For the beauty of the earth* (or DIX pdf)
423, *Immortal, invisible, God only wise*
439, *What wondrous love is this*
473, *Lift high the cross*
482, *Lord of all hopefulness*
488, *Be Thou my vision*
494, *Crown him with many crowns*
516, *Come down, O Love Divine*
517, *How lovely is Thy dwelling place*
524, *I love Thy kingdom, Lord*
526, *Let saints on earth*
608, *Navy Hymn*
620, *Jerusalem, my happy home*

625, *Ye holy angels bright*
635, *If thou but trust in God to guide thee*
637, *How firm a foundation*
645/6, *The King of love my shepherd is*
657, *Love divine*
662, *Abide with me*
664, *My Shepherd will supply my need*
665, *All my hope on God is founded*
671, *Amazing grace*
680, *Oh God, our help in ages past*
688, *A mighty fortress is our God*
690, *Guide me, O thou great Jehovah*

Wonder, Love and Praise (more contemporary)

775, *Give thanks for life* (new words to the tune *For all the saints, who from their labors rest*)
791, *Peace before us*
810, *You who dwell in the shelter of the Lord*

Lift Every Voice and Sing

54, *Nearer, My God, to Thee*
106, *Precious Lord, Take My Hand*
191, *His Eye is on the Sparrow*

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Appendix C

Procedures for Casket Burials: The Family must contact the Pohick Church Cemetery Warden, to determine if the family plot is available for a casket burial.

The Cemetery Warden will check the Pontem Database and/or Burial Rights Certificate for ownership of the burial plot. Once determined that the family does infact have rights for burial. Cemetery Warden will check with Clery to verify the date and time of Burial. Cemetery Warden will then also check with the Pohick Church grave digger on his availability to dig the grave, the funeral home handling the body and the headstone/memorial company if the grave currently has a headstone. Once all parties have been contacted the scheduled burial is arranged and the burial fees will be determined and shared with the family. (see