



THE
Cathedral
CHURCH OF SAINT PETER

The Last Things

A Guide for Planning Your Funeral

at

The Cathedral Church of St. Peter

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The liturgy for the dead is an Easter liturgy. It finds all its meaning in the resurrection. Because Jesus was raised from the dead, we, too, shall be raised. The liturgy, therefore, is characterized by joy, in the certainty 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.” This 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. So, while we rejoice that one we love has entered into the nearer presence of our Lord, we sorrow in sympathy with those who mourn. (Book of Common Prayer, page 507)

As these words make clear, a funeral is a celebration—both of the specific life of the departed and of our common life in the risen Christ.

“I am Resurrection and I am Life, says the Lord. Whoever has faith in me shall have life.” So begins the service for The Burial of the Dead from the Book of Common Prayer of the Episcopal Church. (*The Book of Common Prayer* pp. 491-505)

According to the rubrics (directions) from the Prayer Book, the funeral or memorial service for a member should take place in the parish church and, if possible, at a time when the congregation has the opportunity to be present.

The pastoral ministry of the clergy and staff of Cathedral Church of St. Peter is to assist those who are mourning in the planning of such a service. Sometimes in the midst of grief it is difficult to focus on the details involved in planning a service. The clergy and staff strive to be sensitive to those who are grieving and are committed to making the planning process as easy and stress-free as possible.

To that end we offer some guidelines that we hope will be helpful to those who find themselves unexpectedly in the position of planning a service. These guidelines are also intended for anyone who wants to plan their own service ahead of time and file it with the church office.

For Members of the Cathedral

1. As a general rule, either a funeral home or a member of the family contacts the Cathedral office. The date and time of the service is arranged in direct consultation with one of the clergy of the Cathedral and according to the availability of times on the Cathedral calendar. If no member of the clergy is available, then the pertinent information will be taken with the assurance that the clergy will contact that person or funeral home as soon as possible.

(There is to be a two-hour period between our regularly scheduled weekday services and any funeral or memorial service. Also, we try not to schedule funerals early in the day on Saturdays—funerals are typically held at 10:00 a.m. or 2:00 p.m., but as stated above, other arrangements can be made in consultation with the clergy. This helps us to present the Cathedral as attractively as possible and gives the Altar and Flower Guilds adequate time for set-up. Any exceptions to these times need prior approval of the Dean.)

*If a member of the clergy not affiliated with the Cathedral is to conduct the service, then the Dean must give **prior approval**.*

2. The family or person arranging the service meets with a member of the clergy to discuss the particulars of the service. Please see page 6 of this booklet for guidelines.

There is no “charge” for the services of the clergy. However, a donation for the clergy’s discretionary fund is always welcome (suggested amount is \$250). The check should be made payable to Cathedral Church of St. Peter, and include the clergy name on the bottom along with the funeral party’s name. The Clergy discretionary funds enable the clergy to give assistance from time to time to those who are in great need in the community.

3. The Cathedral provides the service leaflet. It is not necessary to buy one from the funeral home.

4. Music:

Please contact Dwight Thomas, Canon for Music and Precentor, who would be happy to meet with you and suggest music appropriate for the funeral.

As the service for burial of the dead is a liturgical rite in the Episcopal Church, any musical selections should be sacred, rather than secular, in nature (the general rule is if it's appropriate for Sunday morning worship, then it's appropriate for a funeral.)

You may invite another organist to play at the funeral, but substitute organists must first be approved by the Canon for Music, and the normal funeral fee for the Canon for Music must still be satisfied.

Soloists: You may choose to enhance your service by the use of guest singers, instrumentalists, or the Cathedral Staff Singers. It is recommended that such musicians should be hired by the Canon for Music. The Cathedral is a large space that requires the skills of professional musicians; the use of any public address system for a soloist or any amplification of music is prohibited, and please note that we do not permit the use of taped music during services.

Fees for guest vocalists and instrumentalists vary, but generally run between \$100.00 - \$300.00, with small ensembles such as a vocal or instrumental quartet running between \$400.00 - \$800.00. There are also additional fees for the organist in scheduling and rehearsing with guest musicians.

Fees: *All fees are made payable to the Cathedral in advance.*

Organist standard fee	\$250.00
Organist scheduling and rehearsing with vocalists and/or instrumentalists	\$ 50.00 per soloist or instrumentalist
Organist scheduling and rehearsing with a small ensemble (vocal or instrumental)	\$100.00 per ensemble
Fees for vocalists or instrumentalists	\$100.00 - \$300.00
Fees for vocal quartet or other vocal ensemble	\$100.00 per singer

5. **Flowers donated through a florist:** Sometimes friends and relatives wish to donate flowers. We encourage people to honor the deceased by giving money in lieu of flowers, to the Cathedral, or to a charity of their choice. Flower arrangements that are delivered on the day of the service are usually displayed in the entrance to the Cathedral or in the parish hall but will not be displayed inside the church.

Flowers arranged by the Cathedral Flower Guild: Flowers in the Cathedral are the customary arrangements used on Sunday mornings and for services throughout the week. However, if a special color or type of flower is desired, the Flower Guild can work this into the arrangements, provided that 1) these desires do not conflict with the requirements of the church seasons and 2) they are notified in time for ordering. The Flower Guild is also available to provide additional arrangements for receptions. The charge for additional arrangements or flowers can be discussed with a Flower Guild representative at the time of planning. Starting price for flower packages is \$525.00.

5. **Receptions:** The Cathedral facilities are available for receptions following the service. Our parish hall provides an easily accessible place for gatherings of family and friends. The price for the use of this space is a charge of \$100.
6. **Memorial Garden:** If the deceased is to be placed in the garden
 - a) **Interment in the garden** If direct interment into the ground is desired, there is no need to purchase a durable container from the funeral home, as it will not be buried in the Memorial Garden. The ashes are brought to the Cathedral from the funeral home in a plain box. At the service, the ashes are placed in a prominent place before the altar and a silk pall (cover) is placed over them. After the service, the ashes are transferred from the box directly into the ground in the Memorial Garden. Our fee for interment in the ground is \$350 per person (couples can be in the same plot but are paid separately). The fee includes a brass plaque with the name and dates of the deceased etched on it and placed in our Wall of Remembrance in the garden.

b) **Niches:** A niche in the Memorial Garden Columbarium may be purchased, with a portion of the purchase price constituting a direct donation to the Cathedral. Columbarium niches start at \$2,675 and can hold two urns. Pricing is due to the limited number of niches in a permanent resting place. The front of the niche is engraved with the name(s) and dates of the deceased.

To make arrangements, please contact the church administrator.

A recap of the relevant funeral-related base fees:

Clergy Discretionary Fund	250
Organist	250*
<i>* Refer to pages 4 for additional music fees</i>	
Reception Fee	100
Total	\$600

Additional Fees:

- Flower charges to be determined.
- Interment in the Memorial Garden or Columbarium.

For non-members or members who have not been active within the last five years, the above guidelines and prices are the same plus an additional fee of \$250 for the use of the church.

We hope this information is helpful. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call a member of the clergy or the church administrator, at (727) 822-4173.

HYMNS SUITABLE FOR FUNERALS

THE HYMNAL 1982

- 208 The strife is o'er
287 For all the saints
304 I come with joy to meet my Lord
343 Shepherd of souls
390 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty
397 Now thank we all our God
400 All creatures of our God and King
482 Lord of all hopefulness
488 Be thou my vision
490 I want to walk as a child of the light
541 Come, labor on
620 Jerusalem, my happy home
623 O what their joy and their glory must be
624 Jerusalem the golden
645 The King of love my shepherd is
657 Love divine, all loves excelling
662 Abide with me
663 The Lord my God my shepherd is
664 My Shepherd will supply my need
671 Amazing grace
680 O God, our help in ages past
688 A mighty fortress is our God
690 Guide me, O thou great Jehovah

READINGS SUITABLE FOR FUNERALS

*One or more of the following passages
from Holy Scripture is/are read.*

*If there is to be a Communion, a passage from the Gospel
always concludes the Readings.*

THE OLD TESTAMENT

ISAIAH 25:6-9 *(He will swallow up death for ever)*

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 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. 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 *(To comfort those who mourn)*

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 broken-hearted, 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 Lord is good to those who wait for him)*

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 3:1-5, 9 *(The souls of the righteous are in the hands of God)*

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 (*I know that my Redeemer lives*)

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 for ever! 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.”

ECCLESIASTES 3:1-8 (*Everything has its time*)

For everything there is a season, and a time for every matter under heaven: a time to be born, and a time to die; a time to plant, and a time to pluck up what is planted; a time to kill, and a time to heal; a time to break down, and a time to build up; a time to weep, and a time to laugh; a time to mourn, and a time to dance; a time to throw away stones, and a time to gather stones together; a time to embrace, and a time to refrain from embracing; a time to seek, and a time to lose; a time to keep, and a time to throw away; a time to tear, and a time to sew; a time to keep silence, and a time to speak; a time to love, and a time to hate; a time for war, and a time for peace.

A suitable psalm may follow.

The following Psalms are appropriate after an Old Testament reading for a Rite II service. If using Rite I, the psalm will be from the King James Version.

PSALM CHOICE AFTER OLD TESTAMENT

PSALM 42:1-7

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

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.

Cont.

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,
and 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

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 121

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

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

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.

THE NEW TESTAMENT

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

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. It is God who justifies. 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 (*The imperishable body*)

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 (*Things that are unseen are eternal*)

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 (*We shall be like him*)

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 (*God will wipe away every tear*)

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 (*Behold, I make all things new*)

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."

A suitable psalm may follow.

The following Psalms are appropriate after a New Testament reading for a Rite II service. If using Rite I, the psalm will be from the King James Version.

PSALM CHOICE AFTER NEW TESTAMENT

PSALM 23

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

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?

When evildoers came upon me to eat up my flesh, *
it was they, my foes and my adversaries, who
stumbled and fell.

Though an army should encamp against me, *
yet my heart shall not be afraid;

And though war should rise up against me, *
yet will I put my trust in him.

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.

You have been my helper;
cast me not away; *
do not forsake me, O God of my salvation.

Though my father and my mother forsake me, *
the LORD will sustain me.

Show me your way, O LORD; *
lead me on a level path, because of my enemies.

Deliver me not into the hand of my adversaries, *
for false witnesses have risen up against me,
and also those who speak malice.

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 106:1-5

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

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 believed, even when I said,
“I have been brought very low.” *
In my distress I said, “No one can be trusted.”

How shall I repay the LORD*
for all the good things he has done for me?

I will lift up the cup of salvation *
and call upon the Name of the LORD.

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.

O LORD, I am your servant; *
I am your servant and the child of your handmaid;
you have freed me from my bonds.

I will offer you the sacrifice of thanksgiving *
and call upon the Name of the LORD.

I will fulfill my vows to the LORD*
in the presence of all his people,

In the courts of the LORD’s house, *
in the midst of you, O Jerusalem.
Hallelujah!

THE HOLY GOSPEL

JOHN 5:24-27 (*Anyone who believes has everlasting life*)

Jesus said, “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 *(All that the Father gives me will come to me)*

Jesus said, "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)*

Jesus said, "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 *(I am the resurrection and the life)*

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 *(In my Father's house are many rooms)*

Jesus said to his disciples, "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.”

NOTES

WORSHIP AT THE CATHEDRAL

Sunday	8:00 am	Holy Eucharist Rite I & Sermon
	10:15 am	Holy Eucharist Rite II & Sermon
Wednesday	12:05 pm	Midweek Holy Eucharist
4th Sunday	5:00 pm	Choral Evensong (September through April, except December)

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