

Funeral Information at St. Mark's

Visitation

If the visitation is held at St. Mark's, it will take place in the Narthex or Sanctuary one hour prior to the service.

Funeral Service

Funeral services are scheduled based on facility availability and the pastor's schedule.

Interment

Interment is the burial of the deceased at a cemetery. This may take place immediately following the service, after the luncheon, or at a later date. The funeral home will assist with these arrangements.

Inurnment

Inurnment refers to the placement of cremated remains in their final resting place.

Worship Planning

Worship planning typically takes place during a meeting with the pastor following initial contact with the funeral home. The church office staff will prepare the service bulletin in consultation with the pastor.

Music

Music will be provided by St. Mark's staff musicians. The use of pre-recorded music (CDs, digital devices, etc.) during the service is subject to the discretion of the presiding minister. This policy also applies to accompaniment for soloists.

Photo and Video Displays

Tables and easels are available for displaying photos and tri-fold boards. Family members are responsible for setup and takedown.

A slideshow may be shown during visitation and after the service in Rees Hall during the luncheon.

Luncheon

The Caring Hands Ministry of St. Mark's prepares and serves luncheons in Rees Hall. The cost is approximately \$9 per person.

A minimum of 48 hours' notice is required to arrange food and volunteers. For safety reasons, all food—except bakery items and desserts—must be commercially prepared. Alcohol is not permitted on church premises.

Sample Luncheon Menu

- Sandwiches (ham, turkey, cheese, and buns)
- Salads (Caesar salad, baked beans, pasta salad, mixed fruit)
- Potato chips
- Pickles and olives
- Fruit and/or vegetable trays
- Dessert bars
- Coffee, lemonade, and water

Adjustments can be made to the menu with sufficient notice.

Fees for Services Provided by St. Mark's

You will receive an invoice for any items not covered by your funeral home. Coverage varies, so please check with your provider. If you are not using a funeral home, all charges will be invoiced directly to you.

Service Fees

- Pastor: \$300
- Organist/Music Leader*: \$175
- Soloist: \$125
(if requested and arranged by St. Mark's)
- Funeral Host: \$100
 - Without funeral home involvement: \$150
 - Funerals with more than 150 attendees require two hosts
- Sound Technician: \$75–\$100
(for operation of sound equipment during the service)
- Bulletins:
 - \$5 per 25 copies (black and white)
 - \$10 per 25 copies (color)
- Administrative Fee: \$25

Optional Services

- Luncheon: Cost of food varies

For additional information, please contact the church office.