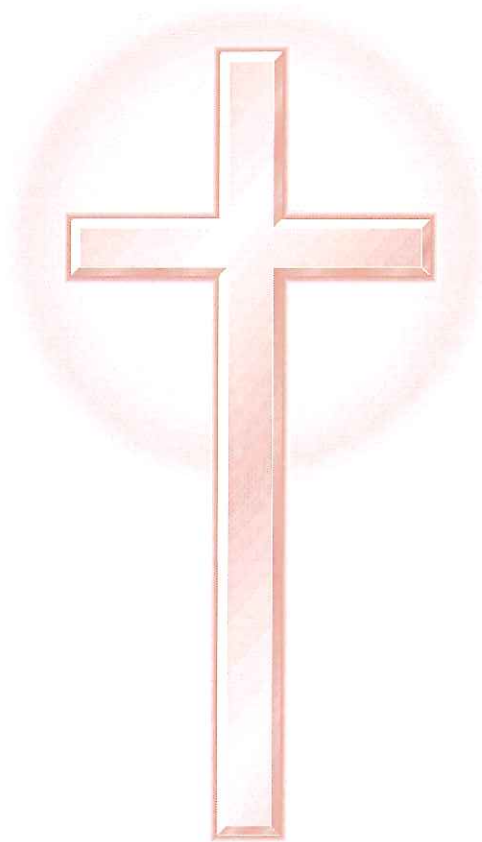


First Presbyterian Church Greer, South Carolina



John 11:25-26

*I am the resurrection and the life, says the Lord.
Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live,
And everyone who lives and believes in me will never die.*

Planning Your Funeral Or Memorial Service

First Presbyterian Church believes the resurrection is a central doctrine to Christianity and that it shapes our attitudes and responses to death. In life and death we belong to Christ and so with believers everywhere we affirm with tears and joy the hope of the gospel. We believe that we do not grieve in isolation but are sustained by the power of the Spirit and the community of faith.

Since it is difficult to make decisions under emotional stress we are encouraging members to discuss and pre-plan the arrangements that are necessary at the time of death. These include decisions about the Christian options of burial, cremation, or donation for medical purposes. Plans should provide arrangements which are simple, and bear witness to resurrection hope, and in which the Christian community is central. (Book of Order, 4.10001 & 4.10004)

Since we baptize, marry, worship and gather for fellowship in the name of the God who gives us life, it is appropriate that members of this community of faith have their services at the church. Doing so enables us to see that death is a natural part of life and, that for Christians, death does not have the final word.

If we can be of assistance as you complete these plans, please do not hesitate to call us.

Grace and Peace to you,

Brandi

Planning Your Service

Name: _____ Date: _____

Have you discussed these plans with your family? _____ Yes _____ No

I wish to be an organ donor.

I wish to be cremated.

I wish my ashes to be placed in the Columbarium at Greer First Presbyterian Church.
See Appendix 1 for policies, guidelines, and costs. For additional information,
contact the church office at (864) 877-3612.

I wish for my ashes to be _____.

I wish to have a memorial service.

At a memorial service, the body or ashes of the deceased are not present.

I wish to have a funeral service and for that service to be at the church the mortuary.

At a funeral service, the body or ashes of the deceased are present.

Committal may follow the service.

I wish to have a committal/graveside service only.

Other:

I wish to have visitation prior to following my service.

I wish visitation to be at the church at the funeral home.

Location of the Service

Name of Church or Mortuary: _____

City: _____ State: _____

Name of Cemetery if applicable: _____

City: _____ State: _____

Has the plot already been purchased? _____ Yes _____ No

Arrangements

Mortuary: _____

Telephone #: (_____) _____ Contact Person: _____

Do you have a prearranged funeral? _____ Yes _____ No

Is it paid for? _____ Yes _____ No

Please see attached resources.

Scripture Selections: Please use the following scriptures _____

Music

Hymn or Musical Selections: Please use the following hymns: _____

Solo Selections: I wish to have the following solo(s) at my service: _____

Name of soloist: _____ **Telephone:** _____

Address: _____

Choir Participation: Please indicate whether or not you would like to have the choir, if possible, to participate in the service. _____

Memorial Gifts

I would like for any memorial gifts to be designated to: _____

Participants

Minister (s): _____

Other participants and their roles: _____

Pall Bearers: (these may include men and women, family and friends)

Personal Information

You should include any information that you believe should be included in your published obituary. A separate sheet can be attached if you wish to include additional information.

Full Name

First _____ Middle _____ Last _____

Maiden _____ Name/Nickname you are known by _____

Sex _____ Race _____ Hispanic Origin? (Yes/No) Social Security # _____

Date of Birth ___ / ___ / ___ Place of Birth _____

Occupation _____

Address

Street _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

County _____ Telephone(____) _____

Mother's Name (include Maiden) _____ Father's Name _____

Marital Status

Spouse's Name (include Maiden) _____ Date of Marriage _____

Biography

Church membership/Religious Affiliation _____

Church Offices _____

Education (include name and location attended, degrees completed)

Military Service

Branch _____ Rank _____ Serial# _____

Date/Place of Enlistment _____ Date/Place of Discharge _____

Service Details _____

Work History (include name/location of company, dates/length of employment and job titles) _____

Social, Fraternal, Service & Union Memberships/Clubs & Organizations (include offices or positions held and specify if former or current memberships) _____

Special Recognitions _____

Hobbies and Interests _____

Favorite Things (ex. Stories, Books, Movies, Foods, Pets) _____

Family Members (include name, address, and telephone number)

Children (If deceased, specify year)

Grandchildren

Great Grandchildren

Brothers & Sisters

Parents

Old Testament Readings

Job 19:23-27	I know that my redeemer lives
Isa. 25:6-9	God will swallow up death forever
Isa 26:1-4, 19	God will keep them in peace
Isa 41:1-11, 28-31	Comfort my people
Isa 40:28-31	Those who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength
Isa 43:1-3a, 18-19	When you pass through the waters, I will be with you
Isa. 44:6-8	I am the first and the last
Isa 55:1-3, 6-13	Ho, everyone who thirsts
Isa 61:1-4, 10-11	The spirit of the Lord is upon me
Isa 65:17-25	I create new heavens and a new earth
Lam 3:19-26, 31b-32	The Lord's steadfast love
Dan. 12:1-3	Many of those who sleep in the dust shall awake
Joel 2:12-13, 23-24	Return to the Lord with all your heart

Psalms

Ps.16:5-11	The Lord is my chosen portion
Ps. 23	The Lord is my shepherd
Ps. 27:1,4-9a,13-14	The Lord is my light and my salvation
Ps. 39:4-5,12	Lord, let me know my end
Ps. 42:1-6a	As a deer longs for flowing streams
Ps. 43	Give judgment for me, O God
Ps. 46:1-5, 10-11	A very present help in trouble
Ps. 90:1-10,12	Teach us to number our days
Ps. 91	The one who dwells in the shelter of the Most High
Ps. 103	Bless the Lord, O my soul
Ps. 106:1-5	O give thanks to the Lord
Ps. 116:1-9,15	The Lord has heard my voice
Ps. 118	Open the gates of my righteousness
Ps. 121	I lift up my eyes to the hills
Ps. 130	Out of the depths I cry to the Lord
Ps. 139:1-12	Where shall I go from your spirit?
Ps. 145	I will extol you, O God my King
Ps. 146	Hallelujah praise the Lord, O my soul

New Testament Readings

Gospels

Matt 5:1-12a	The Beatitudes
Matt 11:25-30	Hidden from the wise, revealed to infants
Matt 25:1-13	Wise and foolish bridesmaids
Matt 25:31-46	The Last Judgment
Luke 7:11-17	Jesus raises the son of the widow of Nain
Luke 18:15-17	We enter the kingdom only as children
Luke 23:33, 39-43	Today you will be with me in Paradise
John 3:16-21	God so loved the world
John 5:24-29	Whoever hears and believes has eternal life
John 6:37-40	Anyone who comes to me I will never drive away
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	Let not your hearts be troubled

Epistles

Rom 5:1-11	Hope does not disappoint
Rom 6:3-9	Baptized into Christ's death, raised to live with him
Rom 8:14-23, 31-39	Nothing can separate us from the love of God
Rom 14:7-9, 10b-12	Whether we live or die, we are the Lord's
I Cor 15:3-8, 12-20a	Christ raised from the dead
I Cor 15:20-26, 35-38, 42-44, 50, 53-58	Death is swallowed in victory
I Cor 15:35-44	The natural body and the spiritual body
I Cor 15:50-57	We shall all be changed
II Cor 4:16-5:1	Visible things are temporal, invisible things are eternal
II Cor 5:1-10	From God we have a house made with hands
Eph 1:11-2:1, 4-10	Saved by grace through faith
Phil 3:7-11	Knowing him and the power of his resurrection
Phil 3:20-21	Our citizenship is in heaven
Col 3:1-17	Set your minds on the things that
I Thess 4:13-18	The comfort of Christ's coming
II Tim 2:8-13	If we died with him, we shall also live with him
Heb 2:14-18	Christ was tested in every way
Heb 11:1-3, 13-16, 12:1-2	Faith, the pilgrimage, the cloud of witnesses
I Peter 1:3-9	Without seeing Christ, you love him
I Peter 3:18-22	Christ's ministry to the spirits in prison
I John 3:1-3	We are children of God
Rev 7:2-3, 9-17	These are they who have come out of the great tribulation
Rev 14:1-3, 6-7	Rest for the saints
Rev 21:1-4, 22-25	A new heaven and a new earth

Hymns

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God (Psalm 46)

Abide with Me

Christ Is Alive!

Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation

Christ Is Risen

Christ Is Risen! Shout Hosanna!

Christ the Lord Is Risen Today!

Come, Christians, Join to Sing

Come Sing, O Church, in Joy!

For all the Saints

God is Our Refuge and Our Strength (Psalm 46)

God of the Ages, Whose Almighty Hand

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

Holy God, We Praise Your Name

How Firm a Foundation

I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art

If Thou but Trust in God to Guide Thee

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

Lead On, O King Eternal

Lift High the Cross

Live Into Hope (solo)

My Shepherd Will Supply My Need (Psalm 23) (solo)

Near to the Heart of God

O Christ, the Great Foundation

O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go

Our God, Our Help in Ages Past (Psalm 90)

Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven

Rejoice, the Lord Is King

The Church's One Foundation

The Day of Resurrection!

The King of Love My Shepherd Is (Psalm 23)

The Lord's My Shepherd (Psalm 23)

The Lord's My Shepherd, All My Need (Psalm 23)

The Lord's My Shepherd, I'll Not Want (Psalm 23)

The Strife is O'er

Documents You Must Have Prepared Before Your Death

*We suggest you contact your attorney regarding the
Review & preparation of the documents referred to below.*

- A Will. Does your executor/administrator have a copy?
 - ◆ Consider including First Presbyterian Church, 100 School Street, Greer, SC 29651, as a part of your Will in the distribution of your assets.
 - ◆ A Will represents a person's final wishes and intentions. After providing for your loved ones, please consider one final testament of faith through a bequest in your Will or Living Trust that provides enduring support for our vital work. For many of us, this will be the most significant gift we will make—our gift of a lifetime.
 - ◆ If you have not done so, you need to make a Will or a Living Trust instrument. This is a significant and important undertaking.
 - ◆ If you have a Will or Living Trust, you need to add a codicil to the present Will or make an amendment to the present trust.
- Durable Power of Attorney (registered).
 - ◆ A durable power of attorney for finances—or financial power of attorney—is a simple, inexpensive, and reliable way to arrange for someone to manage your finances if you become incapacitated (unable to make decisions for yourself).
- Healthcare Power of Attorney/Living Will
 - ◆ Copies of each are available from the South Carolina Lieutenant Governor's Office on Aging. Their website is aging.sc.gov
 - ◆ Healthcare Power of Attorney—you name an agent who will tell the doctor what treatment should or should not be provided.
 - ◆ Living Will—you tell your doctor that you do not want to receive certain treatment.
- Beneficiary Designations Documents
 - ◆ Regularly review and update all your documents that have a beneficiary. When you name a beneficiary, those assets can pass directly to whomever you designate; they won't have to go through probate, which can be a lengthy and costly process. In addition, keep in mind that your beneficiary designations will override bequests you have made in your will.
 - ◆ For forms and more information, type *Designation of Beneficiary Forms* into your web browser.

APPENDIX 1

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH Greer, South Carolina COLUMBARIUM

RULES AND REGULATIONS

Section 1. Definitions

The term, "Columbarium," shall mean the Columbarium located at the First Presbyterian Church in Greer, South Carolina.

The term, "Columbarium Agreement," shall mean the contract between First Presbyterian Church, Greer and any person who wants to use the Columbarium for interment.

The term, "Purchaser," shall mean the person who executes the Columbarium Agreement and any permitted assignee if the assignee has given written notice of the transfer to First Presbyterian Church, Greer.

The term, "immediate family," shall mean the spouse, parents, siblings, children, step-children, spouses of children, spouses of step-children, grandchildren, step-grandchildren, spouses of grandchildren and spouses of step-grandchildren of any Purchaser whether or not any such person is a member of First Presbyterian Church, Greer.

The term, "Session," shall mean the Session of First Presbyterian Church, Greer, South Carolina and action by the Session may be taken by the Session or by a committee duly appointed by the Session and authorized to take such action.

The term, "Niche," shall mean a designated space in the Columbarium.

The term, "First Presbyterian," shall be the First Presbyterian Church located in Greer, South Carolina.

Section 2. Use of the Columbarium

2.1 Only members of First Presbyterian, their immediate families, ordained ministers who are serving or have served First Presbyterian and their immediate families may be interred in the Columbarium or memorialized on a memorial plaque.

- 2.2 If a Purchaser transfers his or her membership or is removed from the roll of First Presbyterian the Purchaser shall continue to have the right to use the Columbarium for interment until he or she shall by written notice terminate the Columbarium Agreement or until the end of the tenth year following the date of such transfer of membership or removal from the roll, at which time the right to interment in the Columbarium shall terminate automatically. But, notwithstanding a transfer of membership or removal from the roll, a Purchaser may extend the Columbarium Agreement for additional ten year periods by giving written notice of extension to First Presbyterian prior to the end of the ten year period then in effect. Upon such termination, whether by transfer or the expiration of the ten year period, upon written request one-half of the amount paid by the Purchaser shall be refunded to the Purchaser; provided, however, that three hundred (\$300.00) dollars of the amount paid by the Purchaser shall be non-refundable under any circumstances. First Presbyterian will attempt to contact the Purchaser before terminating his or her agreement.
- 2.3 The Columbarium Agreement shall be evidence of the Purchaser's right to the use of a Niche in the Columbarium for interment.

Section 3. Columbarium Agreement

- 3.1 The Columbarium Agreement sets forth the Agreement between First Presbyterian and any Purchaser with respect to the use of a Niche in the Columbarium.
- 3.2 Any person who desires to use a Niche in the Columbarium for interment shall pay the purchase price in full and sign the Columbarium Agreement. When the Session accepts the Columbarium Agreement, a Niche (or Niches) shall be assigned to the Purchaser, the Columbarium Agreement shall be signed by a duly authorized agent of the Session and a copy shall be delivered to the Purchaser.
- 3.3 A Purchaser may transfer the rights evidenced by the Columbarium Agreement to members of his or her immediate family but to no other person. In the event of any unauthorized transfer, the rights evidenced by the Columbarium Agreement shall become null and void and the niche shall revert to First Presbyterian. The purchase price shall be forfeited as liquidated damages, not a penalty.
- 3.4 A Purchaser may at any time notify First Presbyterian that he or she no longer wants to be interred in the Columbarium and that he or she wants to terminate the Columbarium Agreement. If such termination is approved by the Session, upon written request one-half the funds paid hereunder shall be refunded to such Purchaser, subject to the requirement that \$300.00 of the purchase price be non-refundable under any circumstance.

Section 4. Funds

- 4.1 All funds received from the sale of rights to interment shall be deposited in the account(s) established for that purpose by the Session. Any withdrawals from such account for maintenance and repair, contributions to the church, or for any other reason shall be made only upon approval of the Session.
- 4.2 All records and books of account for the Columbarium shall be subject to audit as are other accounts and funds of the church.

Section 5. Administration

- 5.1 The administration, management, and day to day operations of the Columbarium shall be the responsibility of the committee as shall be formed and appointed by the Session. A duly authorized agent of the Session shall be charged with the responsibility for overseeing the management of the Columbarium.
- 5.2 The committee managing the Columbarium shall make and submit such reports as the Session may direct.
- 5.3 Numbered Niches shall be assigned to a Purchaser on a first come – first served basis, and once assigned, as evidenced by the Columbarium Agreement, will not be changed so long as the Columbarium Agreement has not been terminated, except as provided in the Columbarium Agreement.
- 5.4 Any action of the committee chosen by the Session to administer the Columbarium may be taken by a majority of the members present at any regularly called meeting.

Section 6. Interment

- 6.1 At the time of death, the legal or personal representative of the person to be interred shall notify First Presbyterian. First Presbyterian shall arrange for the assigned Niche to be made available as soon as possible.
- 6.2 Only a container approved by First Presbyterian may be used for interment.

- 6.3 The cost of cremation and any attendant cost and expense shall be the responsibility of and shall be paid by the legal or personal representative of the person to be interred in the Columbarium.
- 6.4 Upon the request of a member of the deceased person's immediate family or a person showing evidence of proper authority, a Niche may be opened and the content removed. Any opening of a Niche may be done at a time convenient to First Presbyterian and any expenses relating thereto shall be borne by those requesting such action. Upon removal, the family terminates their right to use the Niche. First Presbyterian may rely on any documents showing evidence of authority and shall not be required to make further inquiry with respect thereto. Any person requesting such opening and removal shall release First Presbyterian from any liability in connection with such action and as a condition precedent to such action, shall agree to indemnify and hold First Presbyterian harmless from any costs (including legal fees and court costs) incurred in connection with such opening and removal.
- 6.5 Custody of ashes shall be and remain the sole responsibility of the family of the deceased until given to First Presbyterian for immediate installation in a niche.
- 6.6 All memorial or interment services and ceremonies on church property shall be subject to prior review and approval of the Session.

Section 7. Miscellaneous

- 7.1 All parties to the Columbarium Agreement shall be subject to these Rules and Regulations and any amendments thereto.
- 7.2 Amendments to these Rules and Regulations may be made at any time upon approval by the Session.
- 7.3 Any and all matters arising in connection with the operation and maintenance of the Columbarium not covered in the Rules and Regulations or the Columbarium Agreement shall be determined by the Session with notice to the Purchaser, where necessary or practical.
- 7.4 Any notices given hereunder shall be to the most recent address supplied to First Presbyterian by a Purchaser.
- 7.5 No memorabilia, such as flowers, pictures, letters, or other such articles and materials shall be placed within, around, or on the grounds of the Columbarium or First Presbyterian. The Session reserves the right, in its sole discretion, to remove and dispose of such memorabilia

COSTS

Double Niche \$2,400

Interment Fee (opening, closing, plaque) \$300 per person

Plaque may only be affixed at interment.

Requirements for Plaque:

Name (Wilbur B. Smith)

Dates (January 1, 1900 – January 2, 1900)

Cost does not include mortuary charges for service and cremation.

Memorial Plaque (on tablet) \$300

All financial considerations must be met prior to the signing of the Agreement and use.

Prices are subject to change.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Greer, South Carolina
COLUMBARIUM AGREEMENT

This agreement made this _____ day of _____ 20 ____ between
FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH of Greer, South Carolina ("First Presbyterian") and
_____ of _____

WITNESSETH:

In consideration of the sum of \$ _____ this day paid to First Presbyterian, the parties agree
as follows:

First Presbyterian agrees to provide one double Niche number _____ (as shown on the
attached diagram) in the First Presbyterian Church Columbarium and Memorial Garden (the
"Columbarium"). It is the present intention of Purchaser that the Niche be used for the inter-
ment of the ashes of
_____.

The Purchaser hereby grants to First Presbyterian the right in perpetuity to relocate the cremated
remains covered by this Agreement to another location if, in the sole discretion of the Ses-
sion of First Presbyterian, such relocation is necessary.

The rights of the parties to this Agreement are subject to the rules and regulations governing the
Columbarium, as the same may hereafter be amended from time to time, which are attached
hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

It is understood that this Agreement does not constitute a sale of property rights but provides for
the use of a space for interment in accordance with policies existing at the time of interment.

In witness whereof, this Agreement has been executed in duplicate originals on the date above,

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH :

PURCHASER:

By: _____

By: _____

Title: _____

By: _____

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