SAINT ANDREW'S UNITED CHURCH

FUNERALS & MEMORIALS



As long as the earth endures, seedtime and harvest, cold and heat, summer and winter, day and night, the compassionate love of God shall ever cease.

Genesis 8:22

ALL ARE WELCOME

We honor lives lived as we gather in ritual.

Saint Andrew's offers funeral and memorial services for those who attend our church and those who do not. Every life is sacred, and our understanding of the sacred is varied and diverse. When a death has occurred, or is imminent, the Minister will meet with you to plan a service that resonates with the life and the spirit of your loved one.

It is our hope to lighten burdens and provide comfort, with the unconditional love of God.

SANCTUARY AND GRAVESIDE

The Sanctuary of Saint Andrew's seats up to 500 comfortably. Seating is flexible, and chairs can be arranged according to the needs of the service. There is a large stage, soaring wooden ceiling, surrounding stained glass windows, pipe organ, grand piano, and integrated AV system with microphones and projector/wall mounted screens. Livestream is available.

Off-site services are possible, at gravesides, funeral homes, or other locations. If requested, the Minister may travel with the family to the final committal.

MUSIC

The Minister of Music assists with music selections and the hire of soloists, if required. Guest musicians are welcome in consultation with the Minister of Music regarding organ, piano and sound system use.

Secular music is acceptable and often meaningful, to be chosen in consultation with the Minister.

COST

Our fees are intended to be as accessible as possible, while attending to our building and mission needs. A portion of fees goes to the Saint Andrew's Benevolent Fund, providing basic support to those facing emergencies such as housing or food insecurity, and a tax receipt can be provided for that portion. If the quoted fees are beyond your means, please let us know.

Funeral or Memorial Service \$1175 - \$1325 Livestream Option \$500

Offsite Service \$600 Graveside Committal Only \$250

Reception Catering On request



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VISITING CLERGY

Saint Andrew's United Church clergy will preside as officiants for funerals and memorials held at the church. Guest clergy may be invited, in consultation with the Minister.

RECEPTION FOLLOWING

You may choose to have a catered reception following the service. Saint Andrew's has a full industrial kitchen, and reception rooms of various sizes.

The United Church Women's group offers light catering (coffee, tea, sweets). Request availability and cost through the Saint Andrew's church office.

External caterers are welcome. Arrangements to be made by the family.

FEE PAYMENT

Please submit fee payments on or before the day of the service. The following options are available:

E-transfer finance@saintandrewshfx.ca

Credit card or debit at the office. Credit card can be called in.

Cheque (made out to Saint Andrew's United Church)

CanadaHelps (accessible by clicking 'Donate Now' on www.saintandrewshfx.ca)

Cash

CONTACTS

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YOUR CHECKLIST

 I have contacted a Funeral Home or Cremation Service
 I have contacted the Saint Andrew's Office at 902-422-3157
 The date and time for the service have been confirmed
 The obituary has been written and published/shared
 I have contacted caterers for a reception
 I have met with the Minister and discussed the service details
 I have contacted the Minister of Music to confirm the selections for the service
 I have contacted anyone participating in the service (ex. readings, eulogies, music)
 I have confirmed the technical services needed
 I have confirmed the room setup for the reception, and the times of arrival
 I have submitted payment of fees to the Saint Andrew's office

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