



**For Faith and
Trust
In the Living
Christ**

Most merciful God, who by the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ delivered and saved humanity; grant that by faith in Him who suffered on the cross, we may triumph in the power of His victory, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Facing bereavement is one of the most difficult things we are called on to do in our whole lives. It comes to all of us at some time and we can be quite unprepared for the strength and depth of the shock of personal loss. What can be of help is the knowledge of the support of family and friends. If there is any way in which the Church community can help you at this time or in the future, please do not hesitate to contact a member of the clergy or the parish office.

Funeral Enquiries

**St. Thomas' Anglican Church
Bracebridge, Ontario**

A Funeral at St. Thomas'

The priest will meet with you and your family to go over the order of the service. The organist will contact you to select music for the service. There is an extra fee if there is to be a soloist, and arrangements have to be made for them to practice. Funeral music should express the Christian's understanding of life. Appropriate funeral music is directed toward God in acts of prayer and praise. The altar guild prepares the church for the service. The sexton, or caretaker, looks after cleaning up before and after the funeral.

Sample Order of Service
From the Anglican Liturgy
(Book of Alternative Services)

Welcome & Remembrances

The Grace p. 576

Hymn - *Amazing Grace*

The Proclamation of the Word

Isaiah 25:6-9

Psalms 23 p. 731

1 Peter 1:3-9

John 14:1-6

Homily

Apostles Creed p. 578

Prayers

Prayers of the People p. 579

The Lord's Prayer p. 583

Prayer of Remembrance

The Commendation p. 586

The Blessing

Hymn: *How Great Thou Art*

*Note: Eucharist is an option

Fee & Donation Schedule

There is not a set fee for the use of the church. Fees for the organist and priest are included in the service package provided from the funeral home if you go through Reynolds. If you are being served by another funeral home, you should check to ensure this is the case. Donations above and beyond these set fees are always appreciated but not required. A funeral service program is negotiable.

A Sympathy Tea (Reception) after the service is usually available from the Anglican Church Women (ACW). Their teas are based on a rate of \$7.00 per person. This includes trays of sandwiches, vegetables, condiments and desserts, and coffee and tea for beverages.

These fees and donations should be placed in separate envelopes and given out on the day after the funeral.

Contact Persons

The Rev. Kelly Baetz	705-645-3486
The Rev. Barbara Graham	705-645-3486
Connie Knighton, Organist	705-645-3486
Eddie Thurston, Altar Guild	705-645-3486
Margot Almond	705-645-3486
John Andison, St. Thomas' Cemetery	705-645-3486
Church Office	705-645-3486

Other Contacts

Reynolds Funeral Home	705-645-2257
Tompkins Monuments	705-645-4740
Season's in the Country	705-645-5035