

## The Creed

We are not alone,  
we live on God's world.

We believe in God:  
who has created and is creating,  
who has come in Jesus,  
the Word made flesh,  
to reconcile and make new,  
Who works in us and others  
by the Spirit.

We trust in God.

We are called to be the Church:  
to celebrate God's presence,  
to love with respect in creation,  
to love and serve others,  
to seek justice and resist evil,  
to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen,  
our judge and our hope.

In life, in death, in life beyond death,  
God is with us.

We are not alone.

Thanks be to God.

Funeral Services  
at  
St. Stephen's-on-the-Hill United Church



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## Funerals at St. Stephen's-on-the-Hill United Church

Funeral services held at St. Stephen's-on-the-Hill United Church are offered in Christian hope and faith in the promise of Christ's resurrection at Easter, that "in life, in death, in life beyond death, we are not alone. God is with us" (United Church of Canada, 'A New Creed'). The death of a loved one is a time to recall the miracle of life, to give God thanks for the life of the deceased, and to mourn our loss. The Service may be called "Funeral", "Memorial Service", or "Service of Remembrance and Celebration"; all include Scripture, prayers, and commendation of the one who died into God's eternal care. There may be music, photographs and other symbols of the deceased. The Service may include a casket, or urn, or neither. Family members are very important in the planning of the service. The minister provides pastoral care and guidance for the family including the arranging of the service.

## Funeral Receptions

St. Stephen's on-the-Hill United Church has reception teams, comprised of UCW volunteers, who may be approached through the Reception Convenor or her delegate, regarding the willingness or availability to provide a reception following a funeral or memorial service. If a reception can be offered by the UCW, options and costs will then be reviewed and discussed.

If the UCW cannot offer a reception, St. Stephen's on-the Hill United Church can recommend an outside catering service.

### C. Cheques are to be in the church office before the time of the service.

Other fees:

Minister	\$250.00
Use of Church	\$350.00
Organist (Sunju Koh)	\$175.00

## St. Stephen's-on-the-Hill Memorial Garden

The Memorial Garden is located on the west side of the church building at 998 Indian Road. It was dedicated on April 26, 1998 to the Glory of God and as a memorial to those members and friends of the congregation who have died. It is a place of beauty where members, friends and others in the community may inter the cremated remains of their loved ones.

The garden is not a cemetery. There are no plots or markers. The ashes will be placed directly into the earth at a depth of twenty inches and covered with earth.

Names will be recorded in a Book of Remembrance located in a case in the Narthex of the Church.

A set minimum donation payable to St. Stephen's on-the-Hill United Church and designated for the Memorial Garden is expected. Also, annual donations to the Memorial Garden to help offset ongoing costs associated with regular maintenance and beautification are also suggested and greatly appreciated.

