

You can expect to pay a funeral home a large sum for their services. We are happy to consult with you on keeping expenses under control.

You may be wondering about the costs at Plymouth. For services for members of the congregation, there is no fee for use of the sanctuary and Fellowship Hall. (*You may wish to provide an honorarium for the church for the reception, but this is not obligatory. Direct costs for food can be reimbursed when one of volunteers provides you with a receipt.*)

For active members of Plymouth, any honorarium for our clergy is appreciated; typical amounts for preparing and leading the service range between \$150 and \$300.

Please know that we are always willing to consult with you about any aspect of the service. **See the cost sheet for all pricing, member and non-member.**

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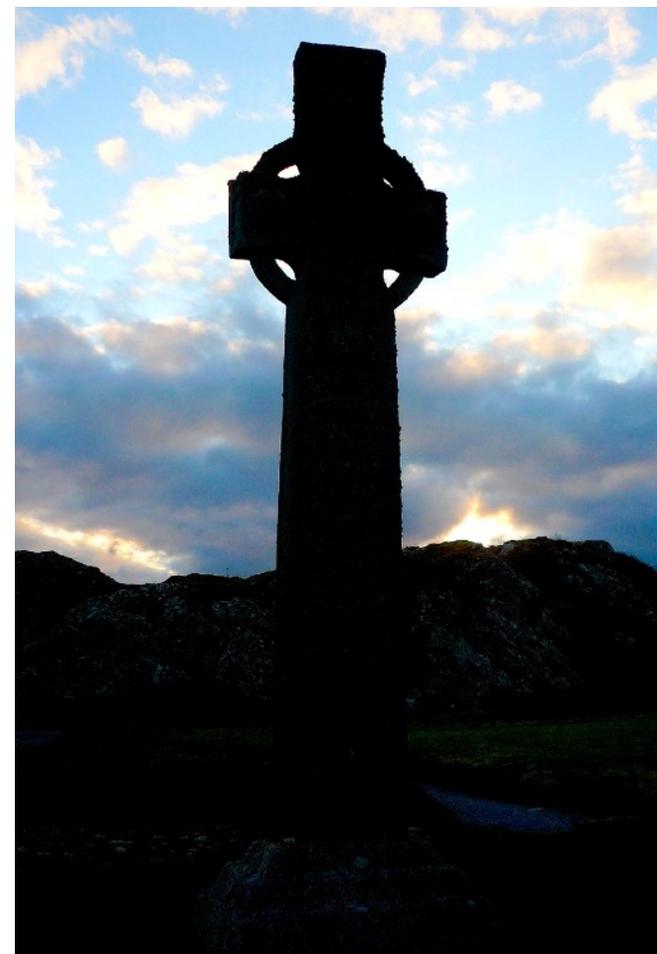
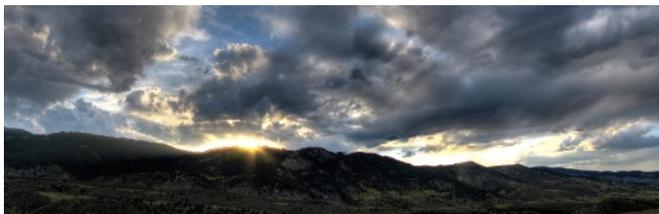
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*I lift up my eyes to
the hills —
from where will
my help come?
My help comes from
the LORD,
who made heaven
and earth.*

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*Funerals &
Memorial Services
at
Plymouth UCC*



Planning a memorial service or funeral can be a difficult task, and that's why we are here to help. Your clergy are trained to design a service of worship that both celebrates the life of a departed loved one and provides care for those remaining.

Here are some things we can help you think about:

- ❖ What scripture was meaningful either to your loved one or to you?
- ❖ Are there hymns or pieces of sacred music that would be of comfort? *(We avoid recorded music, and sung hymns are welcome.)*
- ❖ Is there someone from the family who would like to speak?
- ❖ We do not do slide presentations during the service, but your family may organize and show one during the reception.

- ❖ We can prepare a worship bulletin, if you'd like (and save the expense of the funeral home preparing one).
- ❖ We'd be happy to contact a vocal soloist if you wish.
- ❖ For Plymouth members, we are happy to plan and staff a reception. *(It's helpful to know how many people might attend. You are welcome to provide an honorarium for the church, and volunteers will present costs for refreshments to you.)*
- ❖ Easels and tables are available for photos and photo displays in the Fellowship Hall.
- ❖ Would you like to designate memorial gifts to Plymouth or to one of its endowed funds?
- ❖ If cremation will occur, our Memorial Garden is available for our members.

This is a tender time when we are at our most vulnerable. It is our privilege as a church and as its clergy to walk with you during this part of life's journey.

If there is anything we can do to be helpful, please call us and let us know. We can advise you on working with a funeral home. And we can listen and pray with you, meet with family members, and provide grief counseling.

We're here for you!