

Memorial Garden Ministry 2022 Annual Report

The Memorial Garden Ministry's first and foremost responsibility is to ensure that St. Paul's Memorial Garden is and continues to be a place for the interment/inurnment of ashes in simple dignity and in surroundings which proclaim our resurrection faith.

The Ministry submits the following for 2022 – a year that began with COVID 19 restrictions:

- Continued to have major workdays (spring and winter) and performed routine maintenance of the Memorial Garden.
- Replaced the irrigation's controller; repaired a pipeline; replaced Zone #2 valve; and moved Zone #1 closer to Zone #2.
- Placed greenery on the Marker in the Garden and arranged flowers in the vases of the Columbarium for Easter and Advent. Seasonal flowers were planted in the Columbarium's pots.
- Ensured that the Memorial Garden was prepared and flowers in place for three interments in the Garden.
- Prepared the Columbarium, along with flowers, for five inurnments.
- Ordered the engraving of three names for the Garden's Markers. Ordered five urn Packages for Niches in the Columbarium.
- Ordered flower vases for the four slanted Markers in the Garden. They will be installed in early 2023.
- Updated the Garden Plot Plan and the Columbarium Niche Plan.
- Maintained the map of the entire Memorial Garden. The map shows the locations of the electrical lines, french drains, irrigation controller, valves, sprinkler heads and known pipe lines.
- Continued to update the Memorial Garden Handbook.

Acknowledging that the space on the Garden Markers is limited for future name engraving and recognizing that there are available Niches in the Columbarium, the Committee made the decision to discontinue prepayments for interments in the Garden, leaving the remaining spaces available on an as needed basis.

Members of the Ministry are Frank Bricio, Lisa Brown, Gale Herrman, Alana Loughlin, Katie and Kurt Robinson, Pete Stockett, Jackie Straub, Gordon Werner, and Keith Wood.

Our very valuable volunteers who assist in the major workdays, maintenance of the Memorial Garden or arrangement of flowers are: Phil Brown, Jon Copperwheat, Brad Hirschy, Rob Kimball, Kay Lindquist, Dan Loughlin, Joyce Loughlin, Stacey Prudich and her children, Ryan, Katie and Zach.