

2018 Resurrection (RLC) Community Garden Guidelines

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REGISTRATION:

- Registration will begin on Tuesday, April 3rd at 9 am. Applications are available during church office hours (9-5) or via the website www.resurrection-mn.com. Applications must be completed and turned or sent in to the church office with full payment to be considered for a plot.
- Priority will be on a first come basis.
- Each household will be allowed to reserve one (1) plot in advance of May 2, 2018.
- On May 2, 2018 all remaining garden plots will be available with a limit of one (1) additional per household.

GARDEN CANCELLATIONS:

- If you decide not to use your garden plot, please contact Cheri Affeldt at (763) 234-2533 immediately so plots can be reassigned.
- Fees will be refunded if the plot is reserved by another gardener before May 3rd.

RENTAL PROVISIONS & PLOT SIZES:

- The rental fee for a single garden plot is \$25 for a 15'x20' plot and \$20 for a 15'x15' plot. Only one (1) plot can be reserved prior to May 3rd.

OPENING DATE:

- The tentative opening date is Saturday May 12, 2018, weather permitting.

- Households will be notified by email when the garden officially opens.

GARDEN NEWS & INFORMATION:

- Email will be the preferred method of communication to all households. Only those without email addresses will be contacted in another manner.
- If you have questions or concerns regarding your garden plot, it is your responsibility to email Cheri at bcgabe@tds.net or call 763-234-2533.

GARBAGE

- We will compost again this year. Place **ONLY** plant/vegetable matter and dirt in the composting bin.
- Weeds: Please use the wagon to haul weeds to the large dumpster south of the garage.
- Recyclables: Please bring home with you to recycle or put in the recycling container by the dumpster.
- Other garbage: Please take home with you or put in the large dumpster south of the garage. Very small items can be put in the small garbage can in the garden.

WATER & HOSES:

- Water spigots and hoses are provided by the church.
- One set of spray nozzles will be provided.

SAFETY & COURTESY:

- Each gardener is asked to be respectful of other gardens & gardeners.
- Do not allow vine crops to extend beyond the boundaries of your plot.
- Return hoses in a uniform manner to the hangers.
- Children must be supervised.
- Pets are not allowed.

- *Use cultivation or mulches to control weeds, not chemicals.*

TRAPS:

- *No traps are allowed.*
- *Notify Cheri if there is a critter problem- we can't guarantee we can control God's critters.*

ORGANIC VS. NON-ORGANIC GARDENING PRACTICES:

- *Individuals are allowed to practice whichever method they prefer, but be conscious of your impact on neighboring plots.*
- *Weeding needs to be done WEEKLY so weeds are not allowed to get out of control and reseed.*
- *RLC does try to monitor the garden for nutrients and may add base nutrients if deemed necessary in the spring.*

GARDEN NEGLECT & WEED CONTROL:

- *Each gardener is responsible for weeding and maintenance of their plot(s).*
- *Gardens and pathways must be kept free of weeds.*
- *If any garden has not been planted by June 9th and the gardener has not made*

provisions with Cheri to extend the deadline, those plots will be reassigned to another gardener (no refund).

- *RLC Community will inspect all gardens regularly to ensure compliance.*
- *Gardeners not performing maintenance will be notified to rectify the situation in an agreed-upon time frame. If the issue is not rectified after 2 warnings the garden will be forfeited. The offending gardener will lose gardening privileges for the following year. They will be allowed to return after one(1) year.*

GARDEN CLOSING DATE:

- *Target date for closing is October 6th, weather permitting. Gardeners will be notified of official closing.*
- *Gardeners will need to remove all vegetation and completely clear their plot by the closing date.*
- *Items not claimed will become the property of the church and disposed of as necessary.*
- *There is no priority for 2018 gardeners for the 2019 year - watch for the 2019 registration opportunity in Mar. 2019.*