

SCATTER GARDEN



GOVERNING USE OF THE GARDEN

"The Garden" at Copper Creek Church is to be the resting place for those who have found the ministry of Copper Creek Church meaningful. It is a special place honoring the lives of those loved ones who have died. It is to be maintained in quiet, dignified beauty - a place of peace and serenity. "The Garden" is located in the Copper Creek Grove, our prairie savanna, on the south and west space of the church property.



Purpose

The purpose of "The Garden" is to provide space for the scattering (not burial) of the cremated ashes and a place where people may pause in reverent meditation. The Christian community views cremation as an acceleration of a natural process which neither contradicts or interferes with our Biblical belief in resurrection to eternal life.

The scattering area is a beautifully landscaped, naturalized area with the purpose of having ashes scattered upon it. These areas provide a natural, eternal fertilizer for the flowers and plants and serving as a cemetery of sorts for those who wish to be cremated but for whom loved ones want a tranquil and solemn setting to visit. Seating areas allow for peaceful reflection and remembrance. Benches and trees

may provide opportunities to memorialize the deceased through the Copper Creek Church Landscape Tribute program. Contact the church office for more information about making a memorial donation.





USE OF THE GARDEN

The Garden" may be used for the scattering of ashes on open ground in the prairie. No containers are allowed (even if biodegradable). Pet ashes are allowed in "The Garden".

ARRAGMENTS

- Arrangements for the use of "The Garden" shall be made through the Church office. After submitting the signed contract (see below) one of the CCC pastors will reach out to you to work out arrangements, including any kind of interment service, as well as potentially sharing service details with the congregation.
- Those wishing to use "The Garden" shall sign a written contract indicating their understanding and acceptance of the policies governing its use and submit the signed contract to the church office. The church office will inform the family once the contract has been approved.
- A suggested donation of \$100.00 can be made for use of "The Garden". This donation will be used for the perpetual care and maintenance of "The Garden" as a place of reverence and dignity. The donation is payable when the contract is returned. The Church alone retains property rights to the "The Garden" and grounds contiguous to it.

FUNERAL DIRECTOR'S SERVICE

Illinois law does not restrict the transportation of ashes. Therefore, it is not imperative that funeral director be present when cremated ashes are spread in "The Garden". Arrangements for cremation should be discussed with a funeral director.



Terms of the Contract "The Garden" at Copper Creek Church Champaign, Illinois

Copper Creek Church hereafter, referred to as the Church, is organized and exists under the laws of the State of Illinois. The Church, which owns and maintains the building and grounds on its premises at 2202 W Curtis Rd., Champaign, IL 61823 and "The Garden", for the purpose of mediation and the scattering of cremated remains, hereby grants to

_____hereafter referred to as the Family, the use of "The Garden" for the scattering of the ashes of ______ The Family, its heirs, and legatees, show by their signature their acceptance of the "Policy and Rules" governing the use of "The Garden".

It is further understood and agreed upon by and between the Church and the Family, that the following provisions regulate the use of "The Garden". a. The church shall not be responsible for loss or damage to cremated remains by such cause as natural calamities, theft, or destruction by vandals. b. The Church alone retains property rights to "The Garden" and retains the authority to manage the use of its property, including future development or sale.

c. The Session of Copper Creek Church shall have authority to add to, delete from, or otherwise amend the "Policy and Rules" governing use of "The Garden". Such changes or amendments shall not be retroactive with respect to families who have previously contracted to use "The Garden".

The contracting Family has read the "Policy and Rules" governing the use of "The Garden" and signify their understanding and acceptance of them by their signature.

For Copper Creek Church	For The Family		
Ву:	By:		
Title:		Ву:	
Date:	Date	e:	