

The Twenty-Third Psalm

From the New King James Version

The LORD is my shepherd;
I shall not want.

He makes me to lie down in
green pastures;
He leads me beside the still
waters.

He restores my soul;
He leads me in the paths of
righteousness
For His name's sake.

Yea, though I walk through the
valley of the shadow of
death,

I will fear no evil;
For You are with me;
Your rod and Your staff, they
comfort me.

You prepare a table before me
in the presence of my
enemies;

You anoint my head with oil;
My cup runs over.
Surely goodness and mercy shall
follow me

All the days of my life;
And I will dwell in the house
of the LORD
Forever.



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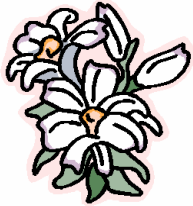
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Over the centuries of the Christian faith, it has become the tradition in many faith communities to provide a burial place adjacent to the congregation's house of worship. Here the earthly bodies of the saints rest beside their spiritual home on earth.

The Memorial Garden was dedicated to the glory of God and the service of the congregation on October 26, 2003. It is located at the southeast corner of the church building, immediately behind the Carrie Upton Chapel.

The Memorial Garden was established at First Congregational Church UCC through a gift in memory of R. Jack Zimmerman, given by his family.

The Memorial Garden has been designed as a place for quiet meditation and remembrance. It is open to visitors during daylight hours, unless a service of remembrance is being conducted.

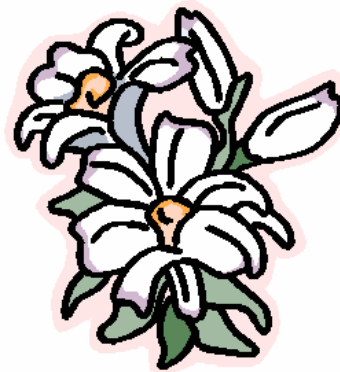
Interment in the Memorial Garden

The Memorial Garden provides a place for direct interment (without a container) of ash remains after cremation.

Interment is available to past and present members of the congregation of First Congregational Church UCC, members of their immediate family, and members of the church ministry staff. Exceptions will be given consideration by the Memorial Garden Committee when submitted in writing.

The name of the deceased will be inscribed on a brass nameplate along with year of birth and death, and placed on the marker plaque located on the wall, adjacent to the garden. The specific location of interment will be recorded on a map, which is on file in the church office.

As a sign of the unity of the body of Christ, no individual plantings, markers, or monuments are permitted in the Memorial Garden.



Arrangements and Contributions

Arrangements for interment may be made through the church office at any time. Through consultation with the ministry staff, a Service of Remembrance will be held in honor of the deceased. Prearrangements are also available. Interment is typically done between April 1 and October 31.

The contribution for interment is \$300. This contribution includes the nameplate and custodial expenses, and provides for the ongoing care of the Memorial Garden.

To make arrangements or for additional information, please contact the church office at your convenience.



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