

# CLC Memorial Garden FAQ



## **What is a Columbarium?**

A Columbarium is a place where urns of cremated human remains (cremains) are stored (inurned) in niches, with each niche storing urns for one to two subscribers. CLC's CLC Memorial Garden is known and referred to as the CLC Memorial Garden.

## **Where is CLC's Memorial Garden located?**

The CLC Memorial Garden is located on the west end of Luther Plaza overlooking the gardens. Each niche in the CLC Memorial Garden holds one or two 6"X6" or 10"X10" urns.

## **Who can use The CLC Memorial Garden?**

Subscriptions are limited to present or past CLC members and members of their immediate families, including spouses, parents and children.

## **Can I be placed with my friends and/family?**

Yes, but each niche can only hold up to two persons. You would need to subscribe to the total amount of niches you would need for [your family](#).

## **Can I choose where my niche will be located?**

The CLC Memorial Garden Committee manages the niche assignments, assigning them on a first-come, first-served basis.

**How do we handle the cremation part or who handles that?**

You will need a [funeral home](#) or cremation service to pick up your remains, cremate them, and deliver your cremated remains to our CLC Memorial Garden on the day of your inurnment in an approved urn (purchased separately) that meets the size specifications for the niche which has been purchased.

**Can small memorial services be held in the CLC Memorial Garden area?**

Yes, inurnment services will be at the CLC Memorial Garden just as they are held at a graveside at any other service. Memorial or funeral services will be held in our worship spaces in the same manner as they are currently held for our members.

**What kind of identifying marker is on each niche?**

When cremains have been interred into the CLC Memorial Garden, the name(s) will be placed on the exterior of the granite cover plate along with the year of birth and the year of death. If setup and engraving are done at separate times, there may be a nominal charge for this service.

**Can I visit anytime I want?**

Yes, the CLC Memorial Garden is accessible from exterior walkways and can be visited at any time between daylight and dusk daily.

**How much does a niche in The CLC Memorial Garden cost?**

\$1,000 for inurnment of one or more person's cremated remains – in North Bank Niches 12" X 12" in size;  
\$1,500 for inurnment of one or more person's cremated remains – in South Bank Niches 12" X 24" in size;  
there are no additional fees for the niche cover, custom engraving or opening and closing at the time of inurnment. Niche fees include ongoing maintenance and perpetual care.

**How long do I have to pay?**

You must pay the full amount of \$1,000 or \$1,500 per niche in advance. We do not have a payment plan.

**If I move, how to sell/dispose of a previously-purchased plot? Will the church help me?**

The CLC Memorial Garden Committee would need to approve the [transfer](#) of [your niche](#) to an eligible transferee.

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