The Cemetery Association of St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Congregation



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Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. Whoever believes in me, though he die, yet shall he live, and everyone who lives and believes in me shall never die. John 11:25-26

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Cemetery Rules and Regulations / Cemetery Burial Database

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Who may receive a burial site?

Members / Former Members of St. Paul Lutheran Church and their Christian Spouses

Questions?

Contact Sexton: John Brodhagen, 715-758-6966, @gmail.com

What is the cost and what is received?

\$600 for members. \$700 for former members and Christian spouses. This purchases Perpetual Care. It does not purchase the physical site. This does not include the cost to open/close the grave.

From the stillborn through Confirmation age there will be no Perpetual Care cost. There will be a charge of 50% of the cost to open/close an adult grave.

The cost remains the same for EACH PERSON even if they are in the same site (cremation or stacked). There are no refunds for purchases of Perpetual Care.

Perpetual Care may be purchased in advance.

Cemetery Sites will not be reserved until a gravestone is ordered. Reserved Cemetery Sites are not chosen by purchasers of Perpetual Care but designated by the Cemetery Committee.

When Perpetual Care is purchased for one spouse, it shall be purchased for the other spouse at the same time. In unusual circumstances (planned insurance payments, etc.), the payment for the surviving spouse's Perpetual Care may be delayed. Their name will not be placed on the Perpetual Care List until payment is made. They will pay whatever the approved rate is at the time of payment. A certified letter will be sent within the first year to inform them of the desire for payment and the explanation that the Perpetual Care costs could rise, and if so, they would have to pay the larger sum at the time of payment.

For those who have a gravestone, but they have not purchased Perpetual Care, the cost will be whatever the rate is at the time of purchase.

Each site may only have four individuals buried there. This includes any combination of caskets and urns. The Perpetual Care cost will be for each person, not per site.

When reserving sites 100% of the Perpetual Care Fee is required before the gravestone may be placed.

The site will not be designated until the gravestone / monument has been purchased and the gravestone is ready to be placed, or they have a receipt.

Exclusions

Members, who are excluded by the congregation, exclude themselves, or a former member who fails to remain in the Christian faith shall lose all rights and privileges to the cemetery. These rights and privileges shall revert to the congregation.

Officiants

Only such pastors shall officiate at the burial of persons who are of the Christian faith. Pastors of other Christian congregations shall first obtain consent of the local pastor. In cases where a non-member has been accepted for burial, his pastor may officiate at the committal service on the cemetery with the consent of the local pastor.

Specifications for Burials

All unconfirmed children shall be buried in the section reserved for children, adults in the section for adults. In the case of unconfirmed children who require an adult-size grave, they shall be buried in the adult section.

Burial places (sites) shall follow in consecutive order as designated by the Cemetery Committee.

In digging a grave, the edge of the grave must remain one foot from the site line.

There would be a limit of four urns or containers in a cremation grave site with markers at ground level.

Monument Regulations

All monuments must be placed within the limits of the burial place (site).

If an inscription is to be placed on the gravestone, it is to be approved by one of the St. Paul pastors.

What may we have etched onto our gravestone?

God's children, by His Word and grace in Baptism, belong to Him in life and in death. Paul asserts, "Christ has indeed been raised from the dead... As in Adam all die, so in Christ all will be made alive," (I Corinthians 15:20, 22). Sunday after Sunday we confess, "I look forward to the resurrection of the dead," (Nicene Creed), and "I believe... in the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting." (Apostle' Creed). God has called us to proclaim to others the grace and eternal life that are ours in Christ Jesus, and we are glad to do so. Along with our names and dates, the etching of a Christian symbol, like a cross, or a Bible verse, or simply a verse's citation is a wonderful consideration. Examples include John 3:16, Psalm 23, Romans 6:23, John 10:11, John 11:25-26, Ephesians 2:8-9, and countless others. The symbol of a cross, or a Bible verses' citation, etched upon one's gravestone will give testimony that Christ is our crucified and risen Savior, and will proclaim His saving grace until He returns.

Monument Regulations (continued)

The congregation requires that the concrete sub-base for the monument be made eight inches wider and at least twenty inches longer than the base of the monument and level with the ground or not more than three-quarters of an inch above ground level. The base should have a four-inch margin on three sides.

If the monument is in two sections on a large base with room in the center for a flower urn or vase, then the concrete sub-base shall be eight inches wider and eight inches longer than the base of the monument.

Sub-bases for monuments for infant graves shall be eight inches wider and eight inches longer than the base of the monument. All monuments shall be placed on the sub-base so the margin shall not be less than four inches on any side.

Monuments which are laid flat in the ground shall be at ground level or not more than three quarters of an inch above ground level.

Decorations may be placed on the sites but must have respect and reverence to the cemetery and be in good taste.

All decorations must be removed between September 15 and October 15 to allow for clean-up. Items left after October 15 will be discarded. After November 15, Winter decorations may be placed.

All decorations must be in a movable urn or planter with a maximum of two shepherd hooks per site.

No wire tripods may be used for decorations. (They tip over easily and present a danger to mowing equipment and operators.)

Flowers should be planted on the back side and not more than 12 inches from the headstone, to make it easier for mowing.

Only trees and bushes that have the approval of the Cemetery Committee may be planted.

Bird houses and bird feeders are prohibited.

All monuments must be 36 inches or less in vertical height.

No casket or remains may be exhumed from the cemetery without the written permission of the cemetery committee.



