**CHRISTUS LUTHERAN CHURCH**

 **GREENWOOD CEMETERY POLICIES**

 **A**. Purchase of cemetery lots

i) Members\* of the above named congregation shall be entitled to a burial space without charge. Such members must pay for perpetual care at the rate of $300.00 for a single grave. If a member of the congregation is removed from the rolls of said congregation, he/she shall forfeit his/her right to the free burial space, and become subject to the non-member requirements listed in ii below.

ii) Non-members of the congregation\* named above may be granted rights and privileges in the cemetery at the discretion and only by the approval of the cemetery board upon payment of $250.00 for a single grave, plus $300.00 for perpetual care for a single grave.

iii) Only perpetual care and applicable lot fees may be pre-paid. Fees for opening and closing of burial site must be paid at the time opening and closing are completed.

iv) Survivors of all deceased must provide the cemetery board with a copy of the death certificate or disposition on or near the date of opening of the grave.

v) Once any pre-paid fees have been paid in full, there shall be no increase to said fees.

Payment of the above stipulated amounts entitles the payers thereof to an easement in and to the lot purchased, and to all the rights and privileges usually accorded holders of such easements in church cemeteries.

The purchase of all cemetery lots is under direct supervision of the cemetery board and all transactions must be conducted through said board.

*\*For purposes of these policies, a “member” of the congregation shall be an active member as defined in the Congregation Constitution C8.02 and Congregation Bylaw* *B1.01*

**B**. Policies governing lots

i) All lot care is under the supervision of the cemetery board. Grave markers may be placed through the permission of the board to guarantee the best appearance of the cemetery properties.

ii) ***Permission to plant any living flower or plant must be secured from the cemetery board.*** The board retains the authority to remove any such plant that hinders the care of the cemetery. Action to remove such plants will not take place without prior notification of the pending action.

iii) Each burial plot (single burial space) may hold a maximum of one (1) casket

and one (1) urn, OR two (2) urns. ***If a gravesite/plot must be opened for interment more than once for multiple containers, a separate fee will be assessed per each opening.***

iv) ***A headstone, base, or grave marker must be placed at each grave site within***

***one (1) year of the date of burial.***

v) The maximum width of a headstone is 48 inches for a single grave, or 60 inches for a side-by-side double grave.

vi) All ***decorative additions to a gravesite must receive the approval of the cemetery board before being placed.*** Dates for placement and removal of decorations are as follows:

 Place no earlier than: Remove by:

Summer decorations May 1st November 1st

Winter decorations December 1st April 15th

***No glass or decorations containing glass may be used***. ***Shepherd’s crooks, or*** similar metal ***posts*** of 3/4” diameter or less for holding decorations, need not be removed, but they MUST be placed immediately adjacent to the headstone or marker (they ***must be touching the stone/concrete***).

**C**. Policies governing officiating clergy

i) All committal services conducted in the cemetery shall be conducted by an ordained Lutheran pastor currently under call of the above named congregation, unless other arrangements have been made with the pastor(s) of the above named congregation.

ii) Ordained pastors of other denominations may participate in such portions of the service as the Lutheran pastor(s) of the above named congregation may determine.

iii) Ordained pastors of other denominations may preside at a committal service in the cemetery only by the approval of both the pastor(s) of the above named congregation and the cemetery board.

 I/We, the undersigned, have read and will comply with all the policies, rules and regulations contained herein. Interpretation and application of all policies, rules and regulations contained herein fall under the authority of the cemetery board.

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Purchaser

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Cemetery Board Member/Pastor

Contact information for Proxy if Purchaser(s) is/are deceased:

Name Address

Phone City/State/ZIP

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Fees received: Amount Date Rec’d. Balance Remaining