

# All Saints' Episcopal Church Edible Churchyard Community Garden

## 2018 Garden Application

Please list, first, the adult responsible for your garden. Add name and phone# of any family members or friends who'll be sharing the work in the garden.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_ Text? Yes No

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_ Text? Yes No

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Are you interested in volunteering to help new gardeners or to help organize events like picnics and group workdays? Yes No Do you have ideas for improving the garden or promoting garden activities?

Group E-mails: Expect occasional notices sharing only garden related information.

Photos: Permission? Yes No to posting photos of you in the Edible Churchyard in news or magazine stories or on our EC Facebook page. Your veggies and flowers do not "get a say"! Garden Co-ordinator: Suzanne Alford-Hodges 479-970-8058/ [alfordhodges@gmail.com](mailto:alfordhodges@gmail.com)

I agree to follow the EC Community Garden Guidelines and to hold harmless All Saints' Episcopal Church in the event of any damage, loss liability, claim, demand, suit, cost and expense directly or indirectly resulting from, arising out of or in connection with the use of All Saints' Edible Churchyard Community Garden.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Deliver or mail this form to the church office at All Saints' Episcopal Church, 501 S. Phoenix, Russellville, AR. 72802 479-968-3622

Please include your \$25 check to All Saints' and designate EC water fee.

# All Saints' Edible Churchyard: A Live and Learn Community Garden Guidelines and Agreement

Community gardening, like all shared space, requires courtesies and safety measures not needed in private gardens, consequently All Saints' gardeners agree to:

- \***Pay** a nonrefundable \$25 per year fee for each approximate 6' by 10' plot.
- \***Commit** to at least 6 months of planting and tending my plot. (Students gardeners accepted)
- \***Label** my plot (stakes provided) and provide my own tools.
- \***Notify** the garden coordinators if for any reason I am unable to keep my agreement at which time my plot will be cleaned and readied for other gardeners.
- \***Water** with conservative methods which do not affect other garden plots. (i.e. hand watering and drip methods encouraged, sprinklers discouraged)
- \***Use** only earth friendly products to amend soil and deal with unfriendly insects, weeds and other garden aggravations. (Products list provided on back page.)
- \***Keep** weeds in my plot at a minimum and surrounding paths tidy and spent plants removed and placed in designated trash containers.
- \***Avoid** plantings that encroach on or create excessive shade on neighbor's plots.
- \***Pick** only my crops unless given permission by another gardener.
- \***Check** postings at garden site and Edible Churchyard e-mail marked IMPORTANT.
- \***Supervise** any children working with me or visiting the garden and see that minors who garden have parental permission. (Forms to be provided as needed.)
- \***Participate** in end of year garden clean-up.
- \***Leash** my pet if in garden with me and remove pet waste from church grounds.
- \***Fill** in Gardener Application Form and sign.
- \***Return Application with \$25 check for each plot requested** to All Saints' Episcopal Church marked Garden Fee 2018.

Keep a copy of your agreement and suggested garden products and amendments and a "please consider" list to refer to throughout the year. Questions? Problems? Contact: Suzanne Alford-Hodges 479-970-8058 or [alfordhodges@gmail.com](mailto:alfordhodges@gmail.com)



## Garden Products for The Edible Churchyard

Is there a perfectly safe and sustainable way to garden? Of course not. In our world of endless information even the simple effort of growing a few tomato plants can be overwhelming. Edible Churchyard gardeners must, however, agree to practice and experiment with only earth-friendly garden methods to enrich our soil and deal with garden pests and other aggravations. With that time honored garden techniques along with safe new gardening methods and resources. Help mitigate harm to our neighbor's gardens and in turn to our community and our world. Keep it simple, share what you learn and expect a few good surprises.

### Guidelines and a few "Please Don'ts:

**Read all garden product labels carefully. DO NOT USE** products with these types of warnings: "Keep Out of the Reach of Children", "Environmental Hazard", "Do Not Contaminate Waste, Food or Feed by Storage", "Call Poison Center", "Hazardous to Humans and Domestic Animals."

**Homemade recipes** for inexpensive garden remedies are posted on the shed bulletin board and can be found on garden web-sites. Some ingredients for garden remedies and amendments may be found in kitchens: Ivory Soap, boric acid, oils-citrus, garlic, peppermint, citric acid, baking soda or powder, vinegar, cornmeal, Epson salts. Share what's working on line or post on the shed board.

**Barnyard Manures:** Know your farmer and his or her practices. Use only well-seasoned barnyard manures that have been "curing" for at least a year and that have no odor. Read labels on bagged commercial manures. Wear garden gloves with vinyl or rubber linings.

### "Please do"s, Suggestions, "Help yourself.", and "You're invited!"

**Consider natural garden materials** for trellises and storage to help make the gardens look natural and less cluttered from the street. When possible avoid white plastic items like buckets and bags, which "from the road" appear to look like "alien" garden objects. **Cold frames are for sharing.** Help yourself. Just label your seedlings and monitor watering. **Volunteering welcomed! TEC is a totally volunteer operation.** Garden keeping is never-ending! Waterlines, tilling, cleaning, building, mowing, weeding, hauling, planning and fundraising have been done All Saints' members **and** by our many friends who garden here. We'll be happy to show you our "to do" list.