

AMEN ACRES

APPLICATION FOR USE OF COMMUNITY GARDENS

ANCHORAGE LUTHERAN CHURCH

1420 N ST (Across from Inlet View Elementary)

- Name of applicant _____ Date _____
- Address _____ Phone _____
- Email Address _____
- Please tell us why you are interested in growing food? _____

- What is your gardening experience level?
 Have never grown anything Have grown a few things
 Know what I'm doing Expert green thumb
- Would you like instruction or guidance in any of the following areas?
 Choosing and planting seeds, watering, fertilizing, etc.
 How to choose and plant starts (baby plants) in my garden
 Harvesting and storage
 Preserving (canning, freezing and fermentation)
- How did you learn about "Amen Acres"? _____
- Please read the Garden Rules on the back of this form. Failure to meet the guidelines may result in loss of gardening privileges. The garden beds will be assigned on a first come, first served basis. Anchorage Lutheran Church believes in supporting our local agencies in their efforts to feed the hungry. To help with this, in exchange for the use of a garden bed, we ask that a portion of what you grow is given to someone in need or to an agency of your choice that provides food assistance to those in need. A list of agencies can be provided and, if necessary, members of Anchorage Lutheran will help with the delivery of your gift of food.
- Signature _____ Date _____

GARDEN RULES

1. Plot assignments are on a first come - first served basis.
2. Each gardener is responsible for the maintenance and upkeep of their garden plot. Plots should be cared for on a weekly basis. Weeding, harvesting and any other garden related maintenance are all the responsibility of the gardener. Gardeners are expected to provide their own tools. You may arrange for other gardeners to water/maintain their plots (as in making vacation arrangements). It is your responsibility to notify the coordinator or the church office if you are unable to care for your plot in any given week. If a plot is neglected or abandoned, its care will be undertaken by church volunteers or re-assigned to another gardener.
3. The church will water the whole area once or twice per week depending on rainfall. Those dates and times will be posted in the garden area. A water spigot is located on the west side of the church building near the beds for filling watering cans, etc.
4. To be mindful of our neighbors, gardening hours will be 7AM -10PM.
5. Children are welcome in the gardens! They must be accompanied by an adult and be supervised at all times. No dogs are allowed inside the fenced garden area.
6. Please keep the area around your plot neat and tidy, disposing of trash and placing the weeds and trimmings in the composter located near the garden.
7. Each gardener should be considerate of other plots. Be mindful of where you plant tall plants so as not to shade another garden plot. Harvest only from your assigned plot.
8. The application of herbicides (weed killers) to the garden beds or the area around them is prohibited; however, you may choose your own method of fertilizing. Composting is encouraged and a composter will be available on site for your use.
9. Please do not plant perennials or install any permanent structure in or near your bed.
10. Each gardener must complete a "Release of All Claims" form before gardening can begin. This form will be available in the church office when you complete and submit your application form for use of the garden bed.
11. Final seasonal clean-up should occur before October 1st.
12. Please report any vandalism or inappropriate use of the garden or the area surrounding to the church office at 272-5323.