

## **Memorial Guidelines (Adopted 11/5/2006)**

The purpose of the establishment of memorial guidelines is to assure an appearance of decorum and meaning to memorial gifts, while at the same time making it possible to honor in a beautiful and respectful manner those saints that have gone before us.

Persons wishing to make a memorial donation shall be encouraged to consult with the Memorial Committee of the Stewardship Team concerning specific needs of the ministries of the congregation.

Memorial gifts should accent and support the purpose of our ministry.

Future memorial gifts should be in keeping with the theme of the present memorials. They should be tasteful but not obtrusive.

Structural / outdoor memorials should be contained within specific areas: the entrance areas, the area around the bell tower, or the outdoor courtyard area where existing outdoor memorials are already located.

Memorials should not detract from the primary entrance to the sanctuary. That area should be designated as the entrance to worship and should not detract from worship preparation.

No commemorative plaques should be placed on indoor memorials.

As much as is possible, memorial gifts should take into consideration the expansion plans for the future of Hosanna.

Memorials should not be items which would normally be considered to be an operational or budget item, for example parking lot repair, unless this is clearly the desire of the donor or the family of the deceased.

Items chosen as memorials shall be low maintenance items which do not add significantly to the operating expense of the church.

All memorial gifts will be recognized in the Memorial Book.