The Columbarium is part of Hosanna’s Chapel and Memorial Gardens, which provide a place to reflect, grieve, honor, and celebrate loved ones.

The Columbarium features 1000 double niches for ashes. Surrounding the Columbarium are our Memorial Gardens, pond, and water features. Highlights of the Memorial Gardens include paths, trellises, sitting areas, and a footbridge.
FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

What is a Columbarium?
A Columbarium is a final resting place for your ashes (cremains), or those of a loved one. Niches are individual compartments that hold the cremains.

What is the cost for a niche and what is included?
The one-time Permit fee of $1,900 includes the use of a selected niche, an urn for the cremains, and a distinctive engraved faceplate. Each niche can accommodate up to two urns; maximum urn size is 5.5" x 5.5" x 7". There is no additional cost for the second urn or for an updated engraved faceplate with both names. The fee also supports the ongoing maintenance and care of the Chapel and Memorial Gardens that surround the Columbarium, which is owned and operated by Hosanna. The Permit fee does not include the cost of cremation or funeral service.

Must I make arrangements with any particular cremation society to obtain a niche in Hosanna’s Columbarium?
No. Secure, safe arrangements can be made by you to transfer your loved one’s cremains from any funeral home or cremation society.

What if I move away? May I relocate the cremains?
Yes. The cremains may be relocated at your request, and at your expense. There is no refund of the niche Permit fee.

May I choose which niche I want in advance?
Yes. You may obtain a Permit and choose any niche from the available niches now even if anticipated use is far into the future. If you would like to secure a niche now for future use, please contact Hosanna at 952.435.3332 or by email to columbarium@hosannalc.org

May I leave flowers and notes, etc., to my loved one?
In order to preserve the beauty, unity, and sanctity of the space, no special adornments are allowed on or around the niches. The niches themselves are tasteful and dignified; the environment is a graceful, sacred place.

May I obtain a niche Permit now and change my mind later? May I get a refund?
Hosanna asks that you prayerfully consider your application for a niche. If you obtain a Permit and notify Hosanna that you have changed your mind within 10 business days of original issuance of the Permit, Hosanna will cancel your Permit and refund your Permit fee, less any costs incurred by Hosanna to date, for your Permit.

NICHE NUMBER LAYOUT FOR SECTIONS LOVE AND PEACE
(numbers not visible on actual niches)

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POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

Purpose of the Columbarium
The Hosanna Church of Lakeville (the “Church”) Columbarium (“Columbarium”) is located adjacent to the Chapel, within the Memorial Gardens, and provides a special place for inurnment of cremated human remains (cremains) of our loved ones. The Columbarium has been designed to be implemented in phases with Phase I containing 960 niches capable of holding 1,920 urns. The Master plan currently shows 2,784 niches capable of holding 5,568 urns at final completion. It is intended to be a ministry that blesses the congregation as well as a Kingdom outreach to others.

Management of the Columbarium
The Church owns, manages, and administers the Columbarium; determines the standards for eligibility, maintains the necessary structure, and keeps records in accordance with Minnesota requirements including names, gender, dates of birth and death, cause of death, and inurnment dates for the persons inurned in the Columbarium to the extent that such information is required and made available to the Church. The Church reserves the right to amend or change the Columbarium Policies and Procedures from time to time as the Church deems appropriate, and in the best interest of the ministry.

Eligibility for Inurnment
Inurnment in the Columbarium is restricted to cremains. While it is anticipated that niche Permits will be obtained primarily by people who have had some connection to the Church, the Church may grant Permits and eligibility to others as the Church deems appropriate. No more niches may be obtained for a family than those necessary to inurn the cremains of all persons in that family, unless a compelling reason is presented for consideration by the Church and the Church approves such increased number of niche Permits. It is not intended or permitted that blocks of niches be issued to any party for reissue.

Applying for a Permit
To obtain a Permit for the Columbarium, a person must submit the completed Application and Permit to the Church for its review and approval. Provided the niche is available and the Application and Permit otherwise comply with the Church’s policies, the Church will sign the Permit to indicate the Church’s acceptance. The Church will deliver a copy of the signed Permit to the Permit Holder, keep a copy for the Church; and update the Church’s records accordingly.

Selecting a Niche
The Church will maintain a map of niches that are available. Each submitted Application and Permit must identify the requested niche. Applications for Permits will be reviewed in the order they are received by the Church.

Designating the Person to be Inurned
Each Permit Holder may designate either at the time of the Permit application or at a later date, the name(s) of the person(s) to be inurned. No cremains may be inurned in a niche unless and until the Permit Holder (or the alternate Permit Holder or personal representative, in the case of death of the Permit Holder) designates on the Church’s copy of the original Application portion of the Permit, the name of the person to be inurned and provides the required information. The name, date of death, and other required information will be required on all cremains delivered to the Church for inurnment. The Church is entitled to accept in good faith the representations and certifications made by appropriate persons in connection with the inurnment, including that the cremains are those of the person designated in the Permit, and the Church shall not be responsible or liable for the identification of the cremated remains. No materials or items, other than the cremated remains, will be permitted in the niche.

Change, Transfer, or Termination of a Permit
If a Permit Holder wishes to (1) change the person designated for inurnment in the Application or (2) transfer the Permit to a new Permit Holder, the Permit Holder must submit a completed “Change Form” to the Church. If the change complies with applicable policies and procedures, the Church will sign the change form to indicate the Church’s acceptance. The Church will deliver a copy of the signed change form to the existing Permit Holder; send a copy to the new Permit Holder; keep a copy for the Church; and update the Church’s records accordingly.

Committal Service
Out of respect for the deceased and their family, we as the Church require a Committal Service at the time of inurnment of the ashes. A committal service is a brief ceremony often involving prayer and Scripture.

Urns
The urn for inurnment in the Columbarium is provided by the Church and included in the fee. With approval, appropriately composed urns not exceeding 5.5” x 5.5” x 7.0” may be allowed.

Inscription on Faceplate
The Church has selected the size and typeface of the inscription on each niche faceplate. Inscriptions will include the information shown on the final accepted application. The deceased’s name(s) and date(s) of birth and death will be inscribed in the appropriate format on the niche face plate. The Church will arrange for the inscriptions, which are included in the Permit fee.

Flowers, Flags, Signs, and Other Decorations
No artificial flowers, flags, decorations, or emblems will be displayed within or near the Columbarium and Memorial Garden. Hosanna will display the American flag at half staff to honor veterans when appropriate. Fresh flowers may be placed near a columbarium niche only at inurnment and will be removed thereafter. Prohibited items may be removed and disposed of by the Church without notice or liability to the owner of the item or any niche Permit Holder.

Permit Holder’s Mailing Address
Each Permit Holder must notify the Church of changes to contact information including mailing address and phone number. Correspondence mailed by the Church to the Permit Holder at the last known address will be considered received by the Permit Holder seven business days after the correspondence is sent. The Church’s address for notices is: 9600 163rd St W, Lakeville, MN 55044, ATTN: Columbarium Administrator.
Care and Limit of Liability for the Chapel, Columbarium, and Memorial Gardens

The Church will provide reasonable ongoing care for the Chapel, Columbarium, and Memorial Gardens. However, neither the Church nor any persons acting on the Church’s behalf will be liable for any loss or damage to the Columbarium, niches, urns, or cremated remains inurned in the Columbarium. The Church may purchase insurance for its own benefit, but the Church is not obligated to purchase insurance for the benefit of niche Permit Holders, designated persons to be inurned, or their estates or families. If there is a discrepancy between an Application form or Change form, and the Church’s records, the Church’s records will control.

Termination of a Permit

If the Permit is terminated by the original Permit Holder within ten business days after the Permit is first issued, and if there has been no inurnment, the Church will refund the Permit fee, less any costs incurred.

A Permit may also be terminated by providing written notice of cancellation:

(a) by the Permit Holder giving ten business days written notice to the Church at any time;
(b) by the Church giving ten business days written notice to the Permit Holder

(i) for a second or subsequent violation of the Columbarium Policies and Procedures by the Permit Holder, provided that the Church has given notice of violation to the Permit Holder for a prior violation;

(ii) if the cremains of the person designated on the Application have not been inurned in the niche within either ten years after that person’s death or 120 years after the person’s birth;

(iii) if the cremains of the person designated on the final accepted Permit are inurned in the niche and subsequently are removed by the Permit Holder, by a member of the deceased’s family or to comply with law; or

(iv) as provided elsewhere in these Policies and Procedures.

If the Permit is terminated for any of the above reasons, no payment will be due to the Church or to the Permit Holder or the estate or family of the Permit Holder or the person designated to be inurned.

Ownership of the Columbarium and Niches

The Church owns the Columbarium and all niches. A Permit Holder acquires no real property rights in the Columbarium, any of its niches, or any of Church’s property. The Permit confers only the right to inurn the cremated remains of the designated person in the identified niche pursuant to the Church’s applicable Policies and Procedures, as amended by the Church from time to time.

Removing Cremated Remains

Cremated remains may be temporarily removed by the Church while making repairs or improvements to the Columbarium. Otherwise, remains may only be removed with the written consent of both The Church and a member of the deceased’s family or when required by law.

Termination of the Columbarium

Columbarium Permits and rights of inurnment will continue as long as the present Columbarium stands and is owned by the Church. Hosanna intends to own and maintain the Columbarium for many years, but cannot guarantee that it will be able to continue its operations indefinitely. If and when the time should come, for whatever reason, that the Columbarium area needs to be relocated, removed, or dismantled, a replacement Columbarium will not be furnished, Permits will be cancelled, and the rights of inurnment will cease. In that event, the Church will attempt to notify each niche Permit Holder or estate that the Permit will be cancelled and will attempt to notify a family member of each person inurned in the Columbarium that the person’s remains must be removed from the niche. If the Church is not able to contact a member of the person’s family using information in the Church’s records or if the cremains are not removed with a reasonable period of time, the Church may relocate the cremains as it deems proper and legal in a respectful manner. No compensation will be due to the Permit Holder owner or the person’s estate or family.

Amendment or Waiver of Columbarium Policies and Procedures

The Church may, at any time, amend or waive any of its Columbarium and Memorial Garden policies and procedures as deemed in the best interests of the ministry. Waiver of any policy or procedure does not constitute a continuing waiver of that policy or procedure with respect to any situation arising thereafter. The Church’s corporate Secretary or any Assistant Secretary may serve as actuary for the Columbarium. The Church’s Executive Director is charged with oversight, approval, and decision for the Columbarium on behalf of the Church.

INTERESTED?

Please fill out the Columbarium APPLICATION (front & back) and PERMIT, and return to Hosanna Church, 9600 163rd Street W, Lakeville, MN 55044, ATTN: Columbarium Administrator.

QUESTIONS?

Email columbarium@hosannalc.org or call 952.435.3332