## COLUMBARIUM & MEMORIAL GARDEN



## A sacred space of remembrance, peace and eternal rest.

The Columbarium and Memorial Garden at Prince of Peace is a meaningful ministry of care and remembrance.

Designed to offer a dignified and sacred final resting place, it brings comfort to the living and honors those who have passed.



Prince of Peace Lutheran Church 13801 Fairview Drive | Burnsville, MN 55337 952-435-8102 | popmn.org **THE MEMORIAL GARDEN DESIGN** – In October 2024, the Board approved a 24-by-63-foot garden located on the south lawn outside the chapel. This thoughtfully designed space will host the new ossuary and accommodate future expansion with up to three columbarium structures. Construction is underway, and the original columbarium will move to this permanent home once completed.

**UNDERSTANDING THE COLUMBARIUM AND OSSUARY** – A columbarium is an above-ground structure that holds cremated remains in individual compartments called niches. It provides an affordable, environmentally friendly and spiritually meaningful alternative to traditional burial.

An ossuary is a communal space within or near a columbarium where cremated remains are interred together. This is a simpler, more cost-effective option for those who do not wish to use a private niche but still want a place of remembrance.

While Prince of Peace members and those connected to the church are expected to be the primary users, eligibility may be extended at the church's discretion. The goal is to serve the community with compassion and hospitality.

**THE DURHAM OSSUARIUM** – This model includes 96 companion niches, 325 ossuary spaces and options for name-only memorial engravings. The Durham is expected to arrive in the summer of 2025, but you may reserve space now.

**COSTS AND OFFERINGS** – All fees support the construction and maintenance of the Columbarium and Memorial Garden.

Original Columbarium Durham Ossuary (Arriving Summer 2025)

\$2,000 per niche Includes: \$3,000 per niche
- Up to two urns \$700 for ossuary space

- Engraved faceplate(s) \$300 for name-only memorial engraving

Permit fees are one-time payments due in full at the time of issuance. These fees help ensure the continued care of the columbarium grounds. Cremation services and funeral costs are not included.

**RESERVING A NICHE, OSSUARY SPACE OR NAME ENGRAVEMENT** — Begin the reservation process at popmn.org/life-events or pick up an application at the church office. After you review the policies and procedures and submit a completed application, you will be contacted by the church to schedule a meeting. Permits are issued following this meeting and upon full payment.

If you have questions, contact Columbarium Committee Member Polly Bergerson at columbarium@popmn.org

To reserve a space, contact Sarah Highum at shighum@popmn.org