

Saint Paul's Community Garden Plot Application 2026

Primary Applicant for Plot holder's name

Secondary Applicant for Plot holder's name

If plot will be shared, list name(s) of shareholders

Requested Plot(s)

Address: _____ City: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____ Home Phone: _____

Cell Phone: _____ E-mail address*: _____

*All communications will be made via email, this must be an email address for which you will actually receive and read the notices.

I, Applicant signature _____ Date: _____

I, Co-Applicant signature _____ Date: _____

I have received a copy of the 2026 Vegetable Garden's Guidelines. I have read and understand the Guidelines and agree to abide by them. In addition to keeping my garden plot in order, I also agree to volunteer at least 1 hour a month, April through October, for a total of 7 hours (Service hours opt out – one can avoid the service hour commitment by paying a \$30 fee in addition to the plot deposit).

Please use uscgmader@yahoo.com or office@stpaulslutheran.info for any correspondence. Put garden in the subject line.

I understand that the Saint Paul's Community Garden and Saint Paul's Lutheran Church are not responsible for my actions. I, therefore, agree to defend, hold harmless, and indemnify the Saint Paul's Community Garden and Saint Paul's Lutheran Church from any liability, damage, loss, or claim that occurs in connection with the use of the garden by me or any of my guests.

I enclose the required fee of \$50.00/ for one garden plot. Each plot is 8ft x 28 ft. Plots 1 and 11 are 4'-6' x 28' their cost is \$25.00. There is a \$10.00 discount for members of St. Paul's Lutheran Church Please make checks payable to: **Saint Paul's Lutheran Church, put Garden in the memo line** Please mail or drop off this application and the fee to:

Saint Paul's Lutheran Church
11795 Scaggsville Road (Rt.216)
Fulton, MD. 20759

Attn: Vegetable Gardens

Received by _____ Date: _____

Amt received: _____

2026 Guidelines

1. The rental deposit is for a garden plot per garden year (March 21st – November 30th). Opening date is subject to change, based on weather conditions. I agree to maintain my plot which includes: weeds pulled, plant disease and pest infestations monitored and controlled; regular harvesting; plot leveled at end of season; all supports structures, trellises, string and all non-organic materials removed when the plot is given up. Individual plot fences are not allowed. Weed guard (filter cloth) is **allowed but must be removed at the end of the growing season.**
2. Hours of operation: 8:00 a.m. to Dusk (**restricted hours, (no access), Sunday 8:00 A.M. Through 1:00 P.M.**).
3. Parking is limited to the church parking lot. A cart or wheelbarrow will be provided to haul materials to the garden.
4. Keep the garden gate closed at all times. Lock gate when leaving and do not share the gate combination with others.
5. Family members and visitors are welcome to the garden site. I agree to accompany children under sixteen as guests and understand I am responsible for their actions.
6. For safety and health reasons, **pets, smoking, alcohol, and glass containers** are not allowed.
7. I will notify the garden staff if I am no longer able to tend my plot. If I will be absent for an extended period of time, I will make arrangements with another plot holder to tend my garden
8. Any conflicts among gardeners should be referred to the garden staff.
9. If vandalism or theft occurs, notify the garden staff immediately. Help us to discourage losses by talking to unfamiliar faces.
10. Harvesting another plot is only allowed with explicit written permission from the plot owner.
11. We are an environmental-friendly site. Only organic insecticides, weed repellents, and herbicides are allowed. For more help, contact the garden staff.
12. As of now, the church well is operational. Please conserve the use of water and use water containers or tank to water plants. Make sure all faucets are off when you leave the garden. Mulch with leaves, grass clippings, or straw to reduce water evaporation. Newspaper and cardboard is not allowed. Only designated personnel will be filling to tanks, so the water can be shut off in the house in case of leaks. Since we are using a well, irrigation will not be allowed.
13. Borrowed tools should be cleaned and returned after usage. Garden tools may not leave the property at any time.
14. Only items posted at the compost site should be added to the compost. Do not put diseased plant material in the compost container. No trash please. All other items can be placed in the trash dumpster. The dumpster is in the church parking lot.
15. Volunteer hours at the garden can be fulfilled by weeding and trimming paths and perimeter, fence repair, and maintenance work in common areas. **NO PLANTS WILL BE ALLOWED TO GROW ON THE FENCE OR OVER THE PATHS.**
16. If a tenant rents two adjoining plots, the 2 foot path in between said plots can be used as a garden area and does not have to be maintained as a common path. **All other common paths cannot be covered or used for storage.** The stakes define the boundaries of the plots and cannot be removed.
17. Housekeeping – Plot holders who fail to maintain their plot as stated in Item 1 will receive first notification via email. 2nd notification will be posted on the plot in addition to email notification, 7 days from first notification. If violation is not corrected within 14 days of the first notification, the plot will be turned under and re-issued to the waiting list.
18. RULES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE AT THE SOLE DISCRETION OF SAINT PAUL'S
19. No illegal or invasive plants are allowed in plots. Below is a **partial** list of Maryland State Noxious weeds. For a list of invasive plants, web search list of invasive plant species in Maryland.

Symbol	Scientific Name	Noxious Common Name	State Noxious Status†	Native Status*
CAAC	<i>Carduus acanthoides</i> L.	plumeless thistle	NW	L48 (I), CAN (I)
CANU4	<i>Carduus nutans</i> L.	musk thistle, nodding thistle	NW	L48 (I), CAN (I)
CIAR4	<i>Cirsium arvense</i> (L.) Scop.	Canada thistle	NW	L48 (I), AK (I), CAN (I), GL (I), SPM (I)
CIVU	<i>Cirsium vulgare</i> (Savi) Ten.	bull thistle	NW	L48 (I), AK (I), HI (I), CAN (I), SPM (I)
SOBI2	<i>Sorghum bicolor</i> (L.) Moench	shatter cane, wild cane	NW	(I), L48 (I), HI (I), PR (I), VI (I), CAN (I)

GATE

Plot 01 (8' x 28')

Plot 04 (8' x 28')

Plot 02 (8' x 28')

Plot 05 (8' x 28')

Plot 03 (8' x 28')

Plot 06 (8' x 28')

Plot 1 (4'6" x 28')

Plot 11 (4'6" x 28')

Plot 2 (8' x 28')

Plot 12 (8' x 28')

Plot 3 (8' x 28')

Plot 13 (8' x 28')

Plot 4 (8' x 28')

Plot 14 (8' x 28')

Plot 5 (8' x 28')

Plot 15 (8' x 28')

Plot 6 (8' x 28')

Plot 16 (8' x 28')

Plot 7 (8' x 28')

Plot 17 (8' x 28')

2'0" BORDER AROUND GARDEN & BETWEEN PLOTS

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Plot 8 (8' x 28')

Plot 18 (8' x 28')

Plot 9 (8' x 28')

Plot 19 (8' x 28')

Plot 10 (8' x 28')

Plot 20 (8' x 28')

Plot 11 (8' x 28')

Plot 12 (8' x 28')

Plot 13 (8' x 28')

Plot 14 (8' x 28')

Plot 15 (8' x 28')

Plot 16 (8' x 28')

Plot 17