

## The Grace Church Community Garden

Our community garden is ready for spring planting and we would love for you to be a part of this special project. The beds have been tilled, weed barriers have been put in place, and new top soil has been added. This year, as part of our garden renewal, we are planning a few special features:

- 1) 2 of our 8 raised beds will be dedicated to the Food Pantry. We will work together throughout the growing season to supply the Food Pantry with fresh vegetables from squash to lettuce to peppers and tomatoes!
- 2) The interior and exterior perimeter will be a cutting garden to be used by our altar guild for weekly arrangements.
- 3) 6 of the 8 raised beds will be available on a first come / first served basis for members of our congregation.
- 4) A weekly rotation will be developed for shared weeding and watering responsibilities. Everyone who has a raised bed will be required to be on the weekly rotation. On your given weeks, you will make sure that everything is watered and general weeding is done. We don't want any overgrown or neglected plots!

We are excited to create a true community garden - one that will support families in Goochland, our members, and our worship services. Everyone is welcome to participate! Even if you aren't interested in planting your own section of the garden, we can always use folks who would like to help maintain the garden and the beds for the food pantry.

If you are interested in either having your own plot or just helping maintain the garden, please contact Emily no later than April 1 at [emilydunevant@gmail.com](mailto:emilydunevant@gmail.com). If you request a raised bed, one will be assigned to you based upon availability. Planting may begin anytime! We will have a brief meeting of all interested members in early April.

Let's get our hands dirty!!