

We Have a Plan!

The goal of the Landscape Team is to ***enhance the welcoming presence of the church through attractive and sustainable landscaping***. We have been hard at work all summer keeping the grounds around the building as attractive as possible, but now it is time to move on to the next phase of “attractive and sustainable”.



Our plan is to double the width of the flower bed along the north side of the building and raise it to improve drainage, replace the grass around the front of the annex with low-maintenance shrubs and perennials, and double the width of the flower bed along the driveway. These improvements will reduce mowing, reduce water runoff, and increase the attractiveness of our grounds.

What we need: **WORKERS, mulch, and landscape fabric.**

Timeline:

1. Right now: Landscape fabric and mulch should be installed as soon as possible, while the weather is still warm. This will cause the current grass/vegetation to die and be ready for digging in the spring.
2. Spring: pull back the landscape fabric, dig up the areas to be planted, plant, then restore the fabric and mulch around the plants.
3. The area at the north side of the building also needs to be raised to improve drainage. In early spring the current plants need to be moved aside, three yards (at least) of soil added, then replant the flowers.

How can YOU contribute?

⇒ You could contribute **personal labor** on our upcoming work day, Saturday, September 7, or any other time that suits you.

⇒ You could contribute **materials**: high quality landscape fabric and mulch. (Unfortunately, the free mulch from the city has too many weed seeds to be useful. It is made from yard waste, not shredded bark.)

⇒ In the spring, you could contribute **plants or topsoil** or more personal labor.

For this project to proceed we need, most of all, workers to spread and pin landscape fabric and shovel mulch.

You can sign up by email: gsqrix@gmail.com or TEXT 330 354 6368

I will be there Saturday, September 7 to work

- I will bring landscape fabric
- I will bring mulch
- I will contribute \$_____ to this project.
- I will work on landscaping at other times.

Details: _____

Name: _____ email _____ Text: _____

Thank you for your contribution!

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