



Trinity Evangelical  
Lutheran Church  
of Howards Grove, WI.  
Cemetery Rules and  
Regulations

# **Cemetery Rules and Regulations**

## **Article I**

The following rules and regulations relative to the management and control for the cemetery owned and operated by the Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church of Howards Grove, Sheboygan County, Wisconsin, shall be in full force and effect from and after their adoption by said congregation.

## **Article II**

The secular business and temporal affairs, including monies, of said congregation which is a body corporate, shall be managed and administered by the cemetery board, as it may see fit in relation to the management and enforcement of these rules and regulations.

## **Article III**

The cemetery is divided into sections. The sections are divided into family burial lots. Full lots 9x20 feet, (4 grave lots), half lots are 9x12 feet (2 grave lots.) These are shown in the cemetery plat book.

## **Article IV**

Cemetery lots are available free of charge to all church members. Lot owner's or successors may permit the burial of anyone on their lot, but if the body being buried was not a member of said congregation at the time of death, then a charge shall be made for such burial, of \$40.00.

## **Article V**

The owner of a lot must provide for perpetual care of the same by depositing with the cemetery board not less than four hundred dollars. \$400.00 for a full lot and not less than \$200.00 dollars for a half lot; the income from such fund shall be devoted as is provided for by section 157 Wisconsin Statutes.

## **Article VI**

The owner of such lot may place any proper headstone monument which must be set level with the surface of the lot and in line with the other monuments; he shall be responsible for the upkeep of the same, and in the event graves thus marked need adjustment or replacing, the same shall be performed by lot owner, and if not, then it shall be done by the sexton for which a reasonable charge is to be paid by the owner.

## **Article VII**

Enclosures of every nature and description around lots and graves are strictly prohibited.

## **Article VIII**

Before a burial may be made or a grave dug or a body removed from said cemetery a permit must be obtained from the sexton.

## **Article IX**

A claim shall be filed for perpetual care against the estate of a deceased lot owner, that before ordering distribution of the estate, the court shall order paid any assessments under said section for care of the lot, whenever the cemetery board sees it necessary.

## **Article X**

The cemetery board shall consist of five members, elected by the congregation. They shall be elected for a term of three years. Only official lot holders shall be eligible to hold office on the cemetery board.

## **Article XI**

The cemetery board shall keep a record of all work done, and of all receipts and expenses, collect all monies for expenses incurred and perpetual care, and report to the congregation at the annual meeting.

## **Article X11**

All monies received for perpetual care shall be invested by the Cemetery Board in the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod Extension Fund. This is the Perpetual Care Fund.

## **Article XIII**

Any person causing injury or damage to lawn, lots, or pathways, shall be held responsible for the proper restoration of such property.

## **Article XIV**

Burial of cremated remains are to be handled identical to all other burials, underground in separate grave lots as stipulated in Article III.

## **Article XV**

The right is reserved to alter, amend, or add to these rules as circumstances may in the judgement of the congregation require.

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