

PRAYER PATH PROPOSAL

SUMMER 2022



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PRAYER PATH DESCRIPTION

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You make known to me the path of life; you will fill me with joy
in your presence, with eternal pleasures at your right hand.
Psalm 16:11



The **LifeSpring Prayer Path** is a portion of the proposed overall **Place to Gather** campus walking trails that faces the water feature on the property. This beautiful area has been set aside as a place for prayer, meditation, quiet reflection, and environmental learning. The prayer path attempts to open our hearts, minds and senses to communing with God. Access to the trail would be from both north and south parking lots as well as the church patio.

Stations would be set-up along the Prayer Path to combine God's word, environmental awareness, and a brief history of the area, all intended to help the participant experience a profound sense of God's presence at several different levels. All stations would house permanent signage (similar to Glacier Ridge Park) and incorporate benches/seating for the participants to sit, pray, meditate and rest. Natural landscaping would be used around several stations. One of the stations on the northeast side would be dedicated to a future Memorial Garden.

Future walking paths will connect the Prayer Path and Memorial Garden to the remainder of the site walkways and paths providing pedestrian access across the campus.

PROJECT PLANS

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We are grateful to announce that **Nierman Landscape and Design** has been chosen to design and build the Prayer Path. **Nierman Landscape and Design** has been in business since 1991, are fully licensed and insured and in 2011 owner Tom Nierman was named a national finalist for the Case Equipment and *Total Landscape Care Magazine* Landscaper of the year based on his business savvy, high quality of work and community involvement.

The plan includes a **boulder wall** that will meander along the east side of the pond through grassy areas and prairie plantings, with several insets for benches and signage. The **gravel path** itself will be ADA compliant and will eventually connect to a future walking path to provide pedestrian access throughout the property. A grassy area for large group seating is planned as well.

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PROJECT BUDGET

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150' Boulder wall (76 tons of 18"-24" Wisconsin granite boulders) 7' wide Gravel path (90 tons of Gravel - CA 6) Prairie garden areas prepared and ready for planting	\$100,000.00
Benches (Pilot Rock Site Products) - 5 4-ft benches on concrete footings	4,000.00
Signage (Fossil Graphics/Powder-coated Aluminum Pedestal) - Introduction to the Prayer Path sign - Scripture of dedication (ex: Psalm 38:2, Proverbs 3:5-6, Psalm 16:11) - Environmental sign including local birds and wildlife and history of area	5,000.00
Landscaping (plants and grassy area) - Prairie grasses and perennial plants - Grading and planting grass seed (part of church landscaping) - Three shade trees	7,500.00
TOTAL	\$116,500.00

Please note: This proposal does not include costs for future Memorial Garden
(planned for 2024-2025)

INVITATION

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We are asking for your support in helping to make the **LifeSpring Community Church Prayer Path** a reality. LifeSpring Community Church values prayer above all else and we envision the prayer path will encourage and promote devotion to His kingdom on earth.

From volunteers planning the Memorial Garden and designing signs, and individuals and businesses making donations, we welcome your support and invite you to participate.

On the following page, you will have the opportunity to indicate how you would like to participate.

Invitation #1

Would you consider **helping with plans for the Memorial Garden**? We are building a team of people to makes plans for the garden.

Invitation #2

Would you consider **helping to design the Prayer Path signage**? We are looking for people who are gifted in communication and design.

Invitation #3

Would you consider **sharing some of the perennials from your home garden**? Fall is a great time to divide and share perennials.

Invitation #4

Would you consider **making a monetary donation to the construction of the prayer path**? (All gifts over \$200 will receive a brick to personalize that will be used in the construction of the Memorial Garden.)

Invitation #5

Would you consider **sponsoring the purchase of equipment or landscaping elements**?

DONATION FORM

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CONTACT INFORMATION (please print)

First and last name_____

Organization/Company (if applicable)_____

Address_____

City_____ State_____ Zip Code_____

Cell or primary phone_____ Email_____

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Monetary Donations can be made online at lifespringefc.org/give or mailed to
LifeSpring Community Church, PO Box 655, Spring Grove, IL 60081

Please complete this form and mail to
LifeSpring Community Church, PO Box 655, Spring Grove, IL 60081

If you would like more information, we would love to meet with you.
Please call **Jill Payne (847) 693-8911** or **Tom Rix (815) 687-6622**.

We would love to talk with you.
Please email us at jill@lifespringefc.org

Thank you for your consideration.

****Your donation is entirely tax deductible****