



Faith Lutheran Church

PREPARING AN URN FOR PLACEMENT IN OUR COLUMBARIUM

General Information

- Each niche in our columbarium will hold two (2) urns sized 5.5” x 5.5” x 7”. These urns will be supplied as part of the cost of the niche.
- Church policy requires that the urns be sealed and permanently marked with the name of the deceased sealed within. Labeling the urn with the dates of birth and death are optional.

The Urns

- The urns we supply are sheet bronze metal, 26 gauge, 0.016” thick.
- The urns are rectangular and come polished and lacquered. Each will be enclosed within a box.

Marking the Urn

- You have two choices for permanently labeling the urn with the name of the deceased.
- The urn itself can be engraved OR
- A plate with the engraved name (and, optionally, dates) can be engraved and glued to the urn.
- These urns can be laser engraved.
- If the engraving can't, or won't, be done through the funeral home, we suggest:
 - GTX Engraving & Awards, 202 S. Austin Ave, Georgetown TX 78626
 - GTX can engrave directly onto the urn before the remains are placed within, OR they can make an engraved plate to affix to the urn
 - Our urns are 5.5” high x 7” long, we suggest the plate be no larger than 4” x 3”
- GTX also works with local funeral homes to make plates for coffins or urns.

Sealing the Urn

- The urn is designed with a snap-lock sheet bronze metal lid. Once the urn is marked and the remains are placed within, the cap can be applied, and with some pressure will snap into place. **This should be completed before the inurnment ceremony and is not a service the church provides.**
- Any attempt to remove the lid will require a flathead screwdriver or other tool, and will make the urn unsealable a second time.