

## MAP

**Victoria & Joe Chastain**

792 N St. Mary's Lane | Marietta 30060

**Sara & Bill Needs**

621 Oakledge Dr NW | Marietta 30060

N St. Mary's Ln NW

St. Mary's Ln NW The Oaks

Atwood Dr.

Kennesaw Ave.

Stewart Ave.

Maple Ave.

**First Presbyterian Church**

189 Church Street | Marietta 30060

You are invited to begin at any of the gardens on the walk. There is no set order for the tour and you can travel at your own pace.

## ABOUT GARDEN ARTS

We are a newly-formed subcommittee of the FPC Music and Fine Arts Committee, to encourage church members at every age and experience level to take part in the joy and lifelong learning of tending a garden. Opportunities for service, fellowship and mentoring can be found in gardens of all shapes and sizes, so whether you've just brought home your first tomato plant, or you've been designing and growing for decades, we welcome you!

## NOTES



# FPC 1st Annual GARDEN WALK

SATURDAY, APRIL 26

10AM - 2PM

SPONSORED BY THE  
MUSIC & FINE ARTS COMMITTEE  
OF FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
OF MARIETTA





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FPC Marietta hosts a variety of small gardens created by member volunteers Sue Strauss and Elizabeth Lisle. Every summer, enormous cardoons spring up by the front door, framed by fine golden leaves of amsonia and silvery white foliage of Russian sage. Daffodils, daylilies and hydrangeas anchor the Sanctuary shade garden. Under the portico, colorful coral bells border native perennials and a rotating display of sunken three-gallon containers. Small 'pocket gardens' reclaim challenging spaces to highlight drought-tolerant native plants and support local wildlife. Rustling grasses, fragrant kitchen herbs, edible flowers, and blueberry bushes invite exploration in the playground sensory garden.



 **Victoria & Joe Chastain**

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Fifty-three years of loving nurture shape the mature gardens of Joe and Victoria Chastain. Perennial beds, cherry trees and a rock wall frame the front yard. Along the driveway, privacy and subtle design come together in accents of reflected light against a black wooden fence that disappears behind tall evergreens and perennial borders. An intimate nature walk through the backyard filled with old azaleas and native plants is highlighted with large specimen shrubs including deutzia, oakleaf hydrangea, and tea olive. Deepening shade and rich soil create a lush moss lawn that tiptoes down toward Noses Creek, then circles back up to a refreshing white garden of petunias, geraniums, and impatiens by the back porch.



 **Sara & Bill Needs**

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The woodland garden of Bill and Sara Needs has evolved over eleven years into a park-like setting with a strong sense of place. Curving paths lined with rocks from the property lead down to a stream which once provided spring water for Marietta's earliest public water works. Removing invasive species revealed the natural contours of the land, now gently shaped with seating areas, wooden bridges and a series of stone steps. Azaleas, ferns, and hostas transplanted from their previous home add to the sense of personal history in this beautiful wooded glen. On the other side of the bridge, a path winds back up to Kennesaw Avenue and a seating area with views through the towering pines mid-story hardwoods.

*This garden adjoins a neighbor's, who also invites you to visit during your walk.*