

Collaborative efforts of the Grant United Methodist Church and the USDA Service Center are creating an opportunity for those wishing to grow their own produce this summer.

Spring is the time of year we start thinking about gardening and those tasty treats from the garden. If you would like to have a garden, but don’t have the space, this is your opportunity.

Anyone interested in reserving a garden plot may contact Pastor Nora at 308-352-4594 or Teri Moss at (308) 352-4747 Ext 2. These garden plots could go fast, so don’t miss out.

The People’s Garden Initiative is an effort by USDA which challenges its employees to establish People’s Gardens at USDA Facilities worldwide or help communities create gardens. Gardens benefit communities in many different ways.

This garden has been a collaborative effort between USDA employees, United Methodist Church, Hugs-N-Teddy Bears Day Care staff and children, and volunteers and neighbors of the community. The project is to help families, individuals, and children plant, harvest, share, and learn.

The participants are given plants/seeds and tools. The gardens are watered by USDA employees. The participants sign contracts to plant, weed, harvest, and share their produce. Nothing is wasted.

The produce from the day care plot was harvested by the children and taken back to the daycare for the children to eat. Any leftover produce was taken to the Senior Center for the community to enjoy.

Responses from last year’s gardeners: “This is fun!” “People sure appreciate my efforts!” “I love sharing my stuff!”

We expect this garden to be a wonderful asset to our community! Join in and help make a difference in our community. All volunteers are welcome.