#### Around Reveille House

Dwarf golddust aucuba (Aucuba japonica variegata nana)

Azalea (Pericat hybrid var. Madam Pericat)

Rhododendron hybrid var. Pink Twins Rhododendron maximum, Rosebay Camellia japonica, Marjorie Magnificent Poet's laurel (Sarcococca ruscifolia) Hosta (Hosta plantaginea) Hosta (Hosta japonica) Foster holly (Ilex opaca Fosteri) Japanese painted fern Maidenhair spleenwort (Asplenium trichoma Lady fern (Athyrium filix-femina var. asplen Maidenhair fern (Adiantum pedatum L.) Christmas fern (Polystichum acrostichoides) Crape myrtle (Lipan)



Maidenhair spleenwort (Asplenium trichomanes) Lady fern (Athyrium filix-femina var. asplenioides) Maidenhair fern (Adiantum pedatum L.) Christmas fern (Polystichum acrostichoides) Crape myrtle (Lipan) Bloodroot (Sanguinaria canadensis) American boxwood (Buxus sempervirens var. Green Velvet) Japanese laceleaf maple (Acer palmatum) Virginia cedar (Cedrus)



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# A Retreat in Richmond

One of the oldest houses in Richmond, the original portion of Reveille dates from the early eighteenth century. It is not known when the formal garden was first planted. Laid out in the manner of an eighteenth-century English garden, the beds were extensive, boxwood-lined, and required talented gardeners to keep in prime condition. When Reveille United Methodist Church acquired the property in 1951, the garden was sadly overgrown, and the pattern too complex for the role it now had to play.

The restoration to its present form began in 1962. The design evolved to fit the lifestyle of the twenty-first century as well as serve the needs of the congregation. (Weddings, receptions, and outdoor services are held in the garden area.)

Present-day borders follow the lines of the early plan with many of the original plants still thriving; the Japanese garden has survived very much intact. The boxwood alleé or carriage row still marks the route the horses and carriages took from the stables to the front door of Reveille House. Where new plant material has been used, every effort has been made to obtain the best possible varieties suitable to the location, the criteria being beauty, ease of maintenance, and freedom from disease.

The church has felt an obligation to save this unique part of its heritage as a place of retreat from the bustle of city life and so future generations would know and enjoy Reveille's "lovely garden." A devoted group of church members works in the garden on a volunteer basis. A partial list of plants found in the area is given below. Each plant is listed only once although it may be found several places in the garden.

## Border Along North Parking Lot

Bush boxwood (Buxus sempervirens) English boxwood (Buxus sempervirens suffruticosa) Roundleaf boxwood (Buxus sempervirens rotundifolia) Tree boxwood (Buxus sempervirens arborescens) Chinese holly (Ilex cornuta Burfordii) Camellia sasangua var. Sanko Nishiki Camellia sasangua var. Showa-No-Sakae Camellia sasangua var. Burgundy Camellia sasangua var. Hino-de-Gumo Azalea (Kurume hybrid var. Snow) Azalea (Gable hybrid var. Linda Ann) Japanese holly (Ilex crenata elliptica) Osmanthus (Osmanthus aquifolium) Hemlock (Tsuga canadensis) Crape myrtle pink and white (Lagerstroemia indica) American holly (Ilex opaca) Periwinkle (Vinca minor) Periwinkle (Vinca major)

Scilla (Scilla campanulata) Yucca Pachysandra (Pachysandra terminalis) Azalea (Indicum, Macrantha) Azalea (Mucronatum, Indica Alba) Ivy (Hedera conglomerata erecta) Ivy, English (Hedera helix) Nandina domestica

#### Southside Border of Garden

White dogwood (Cornus florida) Azalea (Kurume hybrid var. Pink Pearl) Azalea (Kurume hybrid var. Coral Bells) Rhododendron hybrid var. Roseum Rhododendron hybrid var. English Roseum Mountain laurel (Kalmia latifolia) Camellia sasangua var. Jean May Camellia sasangua var. Pink Snow Helleri holly (Ilex crenata helleri) Stevens holly (Ilex hybrid Nellie R. Stevens) Azalea (Pericat hybrid var. Summer O'Hara)

## **Bell Cote Border**

Flowering crab apple (Malus Hopa) Japanese andromeda (Pieris japonica) Camellia japonica var. Rev. John Drayton Azalea (Gable hybrid var. Mildred Mae) Azalea (Glen Dale hybrid var. Glacier) Rhododendron hybrid var. Cynthia Rhododendron hybrid var. Jan Dekens Rhododendron hybrid var. Gomer Waterer Rhododendron hybrid var. Yaku Angel Peonies

Japanese iris (Iris ensata) Dogwood (Kousa upright)









