

St. Johns Methodist Church Graveyard

Guide to locating graves from the information given in the Burial Records

(For locations of the different Areas of the graveyard, see the diagrams below)

Plans of Areas 4 and 5 of the graveyard were drawn up by Geoff Carr, who use to look after the graveyard. You downloaded photos of these plans with this document. These plans show 'plot' or 'plan' numbers for Areas 4 or 5 so you may find these useful in finding a grave in Areas 4 or 5 of the graveyard

St. Johns Methodist Church Graveyard was developed in different stages, with Area 1 being the oldest part of the graveyard (used from 1846), Area 2 being the second oldest (use from around 1870), through to Area 5 being the newest.

There is some inconsistency in the row numbers used in each Area, and this may be because there are some rows in some Areas that we have not been able to identify. As far as we can tell:

Area 1 has rows 1 – 25

Area 2 has rows 31 – 58

Area 3 has rows 2 – 30

Area 4 has rows 31 – 74

Area 5 has rows 75 – 89

The Burial Records for the Graveyard are spread across Book 1, Book 2 and Book 3. Though there may be some odd exceptions, it seems that:

Book 1 refers to graves in Areas 1 and 2

Book 2 up to 1973 refers to graves in Areas 1 and 2

Book 2 from 1973 refers to graves in Areas 1,2,3,4 and 5

Book 3 refers to graves in Areas 3, 4 and 5

In the Graveyard Burial Records, the locations of graves are recorded in different ways for different Areas of the graveyard.

- Every grave should have a row number.
- Graves in Areas 1,2,3 are identified in their row by a measurement from the north side/south side of the Area.
- Graves in Areas 4,5 are identified in their row by a plan/plot number.

Depending on which book you find the grave record in, and how the grave location is recorded, the following guidelines gives the most likely place to look for the grave. If you cannot find it in the suggested location, then check the rows either side, and finally check the same row number in another Area.

In Book 1 and Book 2 (up to 1973)

- If a grave has a row number and a measurement from 'north side' or 'south side' then it can be found in Areas 1, 2
 - Row 1 – 25 look in Area 1
 - Row 31 – 58 look in in Area 2

In Book 2 (from 1973)

- If a grave has a row number and a measurement from 'north side' or 'south side' then it can be found in Areas 1, 2, 3
 - Row 1 – 25 look in Area 1 and Area 3
 - Row 26 - 30 look in Area 3
 - Row 31 - 58 look in Area 2
- If a grave has a row number and a 'plot' or 'plan' number then it can be found in Areas 4, 5
 - Row 31 – 74 look in Area 4
 - Row 75 – 89 look in Area 5

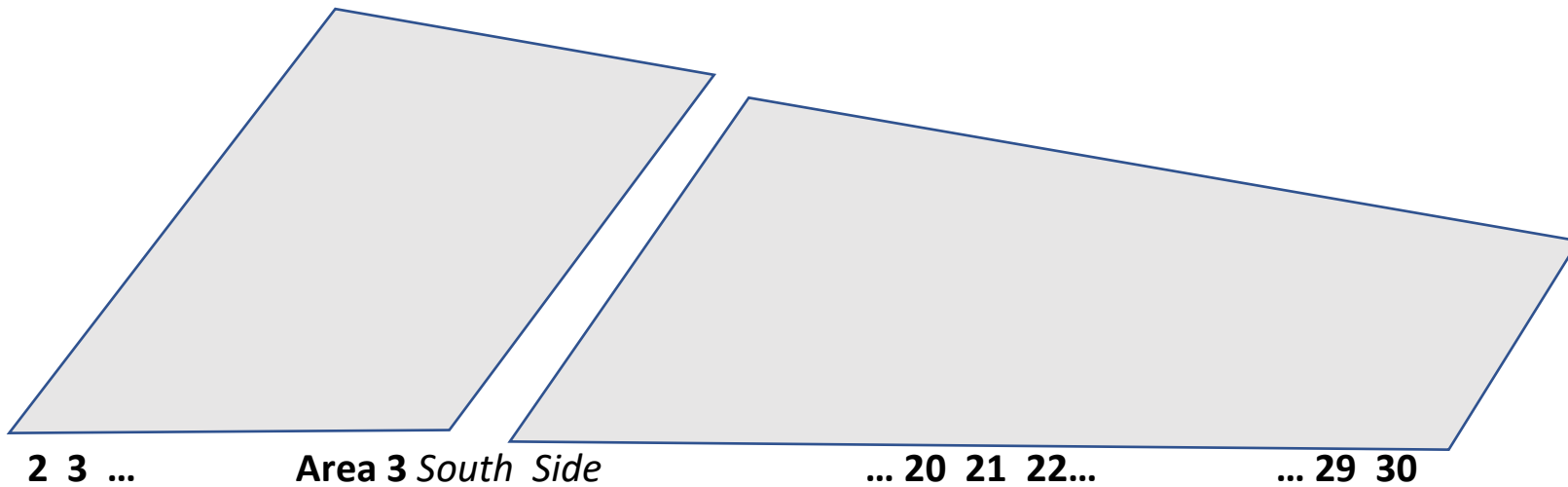
In Book 3

- If a grave has a row number and a measurement from 'north side' or 'south side' then it can be found in Area 3
 - Row 1 – 30 look in Area 3
- If a grave has a row number and a 'plot' or 'plan' number then it can be found in Areas 4, 5
 - Row 31 – 74 look in Area 4
 - Row 75 – 89 look in Area 5



Area 3

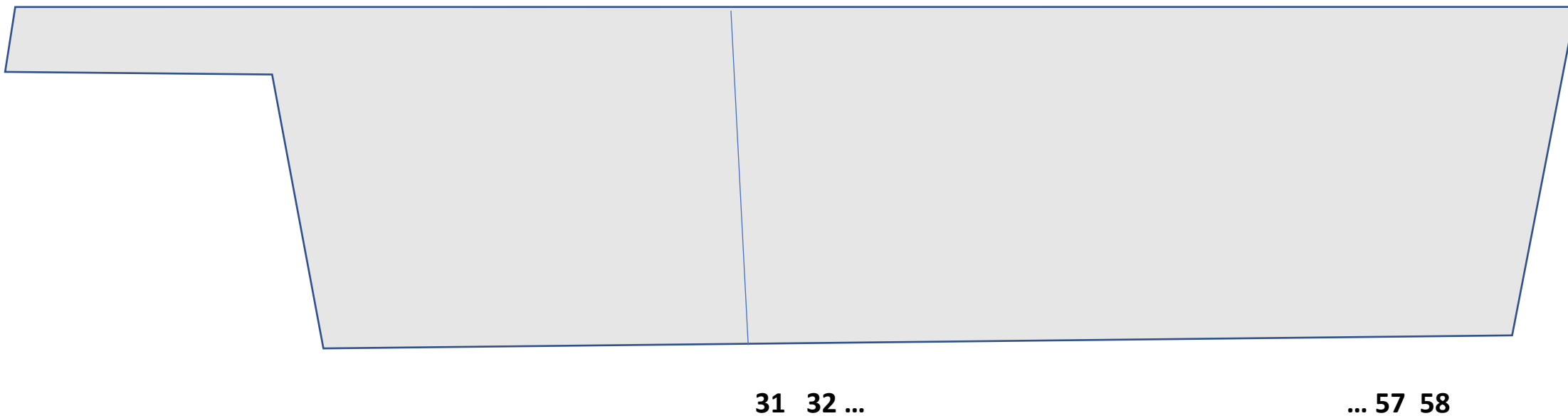
North Side



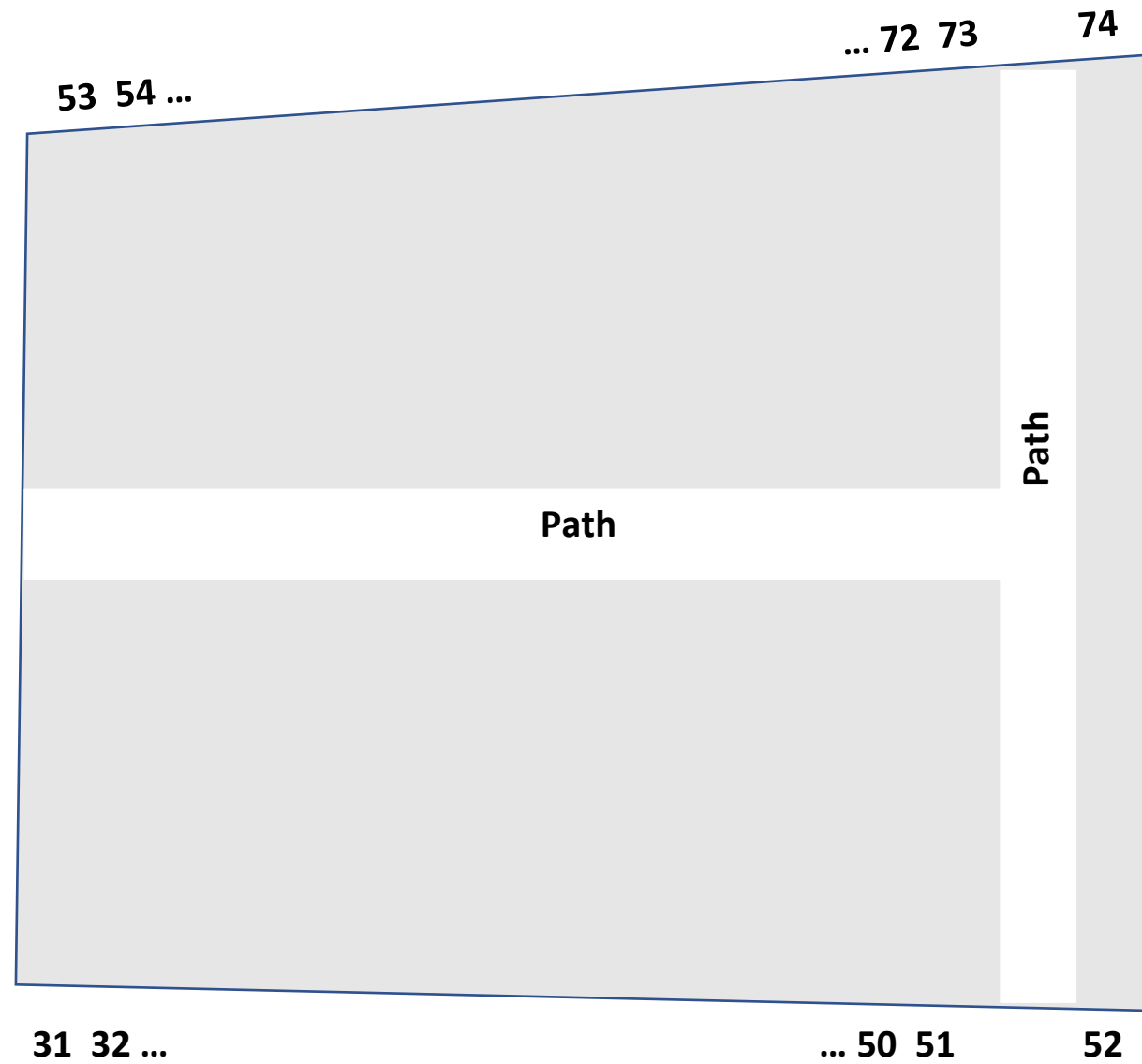
The row numbers can be found on stone markers (some missing)

Area 1 & 2

North Side



Area 4



Area 5

75 76 ...

... 88 89

