Transitioning Your Container Garden:

1. Pull all warm weather crops out from soil (tomatoes, peppers, okra, cucumbers, summer squash, tomatillo).
2. If you have a place, compost soil by dumping it all in a heap and cover with leaves/grass clippings. Store containers inside for winter.
3. For cold weather crops (greens, beets, Brussels sprouts, cabbage, broccoli, cauliflower) blanket soil with leaves or grass clippings to provide some insulation to the plants. Move these plants near a house, if there is no risk of lead paint, and check periodically throughout the winter.
4. For annual (tender) herbs: you may repot them to bring inside to overwinter indoors, or simply pull them up and compost the plant (basil, stevia, cilantro).
5. For perennial (woody) herbs: cut back herbs for winter use and cover soil with leaves/grass clippings and place near the side of house or garage if there is no risk of lead paint and check periodically before snow falls (thyme, sage, rosemary, lavender, chives, parsley, mint).

Transitioning Your Raised Bed Garden:

1. Pull all warm weather crops out from soil (tomatoes, peppers, okra, cucumbers, summer squash, tomatillo).
2. Leave remaining cold weather crops (greens, beets, Brussels sprouts, cabbage, broccoli, cauliflower). Blanket soil with leaves/grass clippings to provide some insulation to the plants, and check periodically throughout the winter for harvesting.
3. For annual (tender) herbs: you may repot them to bring inside to overwinter indoors, or simply pull them up and compost the plant (basil, stevia, cilantro).
4. For perennial (woody) herbs cut back herbs to store for winter months, and cover soil around them with leaves/grass clippings. (thyme, sage, rosemary, lavender, chives, parsley, mint).