

Legacy Giving

God has called us to generous living, giving of what we have been given to change the world. Our stewardship of what we have received will lead to gifts for ministry throughout our lifetime, and beyond our lifetime through our estate.

Previous generations of givers have supported the ministries of Christ Church through generous legacy giving. This giving has been essential for the continued support of ministries and programs, but also for necessary capital expenditures. Legacy giving is crucially important to continue the journey of Christ Church serving as the Hands of Christ for future of generations.



How Can We Help?

- Please contact me with more information about leaving a legacy.
- I have already included your organization in my will or trust.

The best way to contact me is by:

- Email
- Mail
- Telephone

Name _____

Street _____

City _____

State/Zip _____

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Email _____

For More Information:



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LEAVE A LASTING LEGACY



Gifts of Cash

Gifts of cash are immediate donations and are a great way to support our Church's ministry. All cash gifts to the Church are tax deductible, providing you meet the IRS requirements for itemizing deductions.

Gifts of Securities

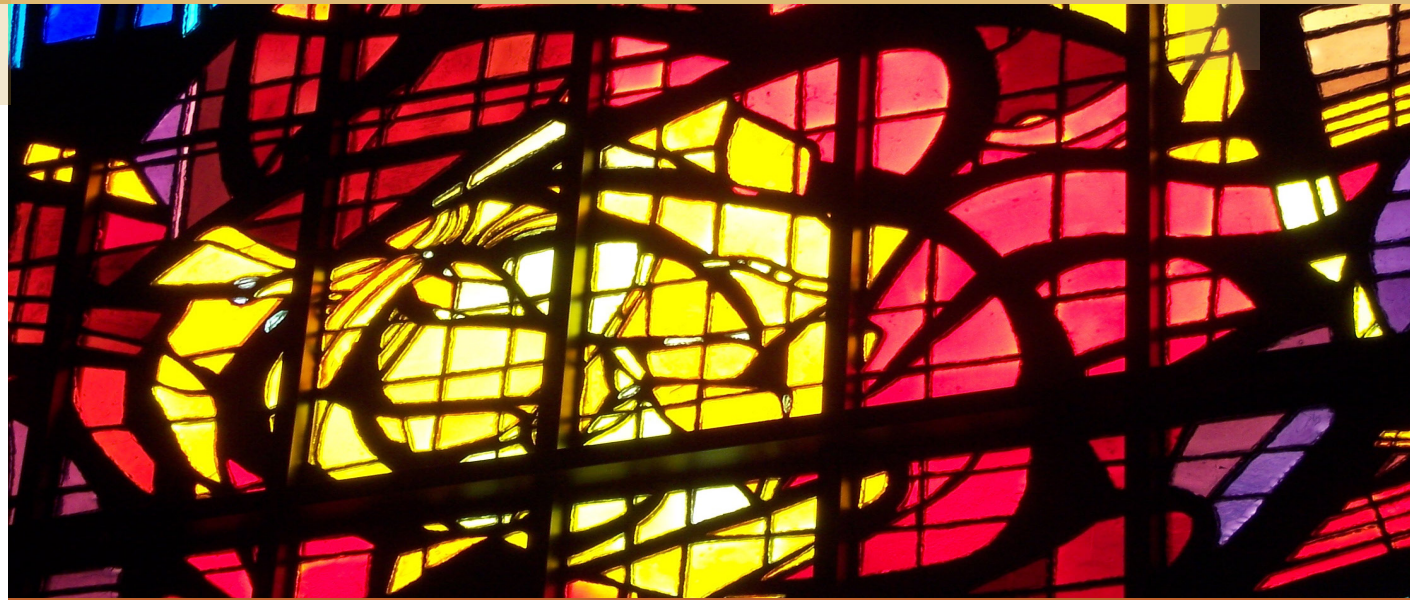
Giving securities can be easily accomplished through The Foundation's discount brokerage account. Proceeds from the sale of securities can be used to start or increase an endowment or donor advised fund, create a charitable gift annuity, or can be "passed through" directly to Christ Church. Contact The Foundation for help with your gift of stock and to receive Stock Transfer Instructions you can use to make electronic transfers directly to The Foundation's brokerage account.

Bequests

Your gift from your estate to Christ Church (or to The Foundation for the benefit of Christ Church) can be for a specific dollar amount, a percentage of your estate, or the residual of your estate after other specific bequests are completed. Contact the Church office or The Foundation for sample bequest language you can share with your attorney.

Gifts of life insurance

Consider using a life insurance policy as a charitable gift to support the church; name the church or The Foundation as both the owner and beneficiary of the policy. If there are still beneficiaries who need the proceeds of any life insurance you may have, consider making the church the second, third, or final beneficiary. In the event your beneficiaries predecease you, then the life insurance would pass directly to the church.



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Life Income Gifts

Life income gifts allow you to make a gift now and receive payments throughout your lifetime, or the lifetime of those you designate as beneficiaries.

A charitable gift annuity is a simple contract between you and The Foundation. You make a gift, and The Foundation makes annual payments to you for life at a rate based upon your age. You are eligible for a charitable tax deduction in the year of the gift, and part of the payments you receive are tax-free. The amount of the payment never changes. At your death, the charitable remainder will benefit Christ Church or a specific ministry you have selected.

Charitable remainder trusts pay you either a fixed percentage of the fair market value (unitrust) or a fixed amount (annuity trust) of the assets held in trust. You are eligible for a charitable tax deduction

for the original gift and for any subsequent gifts to the trust. Contact The Foundation for a custom designed proposal outlining the details of the life income gift of your choice.

Retirement Accounts

Consider the possibilities of a Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD). People who are age 70 ½ years or older may transfer up to \$100,000 per year directly to a qualified charity (such as the church and The Foundation). The transfer is a non-taxable event; it is not reported as income, and there is no charitable contribution deduction.

You can also make the church or The Foundation a beneficiary of all or a percentage of your IRA. Since distributions from retirement accounts to individuals are taxable, consider making charitable gifts from your estate through a beneficiary designation.