

PLANNED GIVING

Planned Giving is a gift to the church from individual donors. Planned Giving supports our mission through projects, programs and activities that are outside the annual operating budget.

You may give through a bequest in a will or trust, or by cash, securities, an annuity, retirement plan, life insurance, personal property or real estate. An estate attorney, CPA or financial advisor can explain the tax benefits of each type of gift and help you choose what is best for you and your heirs.

As each one has received a special gift, employ it in serving one another as good stewards of the manifold grace of God.

- 1 Peter 4:10-11

ADMINISTRATION

All gifts are administered by the Treasurer, under the direction of the Board of Trustees. Undesignated gifts are added to the Endowment Fund or the Remembrance Fund.

The **Endowment Fund** is a permanent source of funding. The Fund's earnings may be expended to maintain and preserve the church.

The **Remembrance Fund** helps finance church projects through both the Fund's earnings and principal. Any expenditure in excess of \$1,000 must be approved by the church's Council.

The names of persons giving the church a donation or bequest are placed in a book for that purpose with, where appropriate, the value or type of gift identified, unless the person does not wish to be so recognized.

"Stewardship begins with love"

Thank you for taking the time to consider Planned Giving to Central Congregational Church. If you picked up this pamphlet and started reading, you obviously love our church and want to see it continue to thrive for years and years to come. Thank you for your love for your church!

The Bible teaches that our talents and our possessions are blessings that are not for our exclusive benefit but are to be used for God's purposes. Bequests to the church are not a way for the church to stockpile money. Instead, they are a way to promote God's mission and purposes.

As you know, churches use their endowments and other funds for a variety of purposes - to enhance existing programs and ministries as well as start new ones; to care for the physical property; to supplement budgets and much, much more. These bequests are especially important in uncertain times, which would certainly seem to describe our current age.

Giving to the church in this way is an act of faith, hope and love. The donor's gift is made in gratitude for God's blessings and in faith and hope in the future of Christ's church. Most of all, it's a gift of love.

Thank you for your consideration and most of all for your love.

Pastor Rich Knight, D. Min.

Please tear off and mail to:

Central Congregational Church, P. O. Box 339, Chelmsford, MA 01824-0339

_____ I would like to talk to someone about Planned Giving.

_____ I would like to receive more information about Planned Giving.

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Address _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____
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OTHER CHURCH TRUST FUNDS

Gifts can also be directed to one of CCC's other trust funds:

Ruth C. Berg Memorial Fund
(music program)

Carson Park Memorial Trust Fund
(capital upgrades and repairs)

Christian Education Fund
(CE programs)

Hamilton Fund
(property upkeep)

Lewis Memorial Christian Education Fund (CE educator)

Lewis Memorial Scholarship Fund
(Holy Land travel)

Winn Fund
(current expenses & needs)

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