

Ways to Give to College Church

Giving of our tithes and offerings is an integral part of our corporate worship because it is a unique expression of gratitude to God. When we give, we celebrate all that God has given for us, especially His incredible grace in our lives through the shedding of Christ's blood on the cross to reconcile us to Himself. God owns everything and when we give, we are simply giving back of portion of what He has entrusted to our managing. Giving to College Church also helps with all our church does here at home, our care for others throughout the community, and our missions outreach around the world.

After you have determined what you will give, we have several methods which you may use to support the ministries and missions efforts of College Church.

- **Check.** One of the most common ways is by check. Contribution envelopes can be assigned to you for your use in depositing your check, or it can be dropped in the offering plate or or mailed to the church office. Whether you use an nvelope or not, contributions by check are automatically credited to your giving record. If you would like a box of offering envelopes, simply e-mail Cindy Schuerman at <u>cschuerman@college-church.org.</u>
- Cash. If give cash and enclose it in an offering envelope, it will also be credited to your giving record.
- **On-line.** More and more individuals are choosing the electronic method of making contributions on-line just like they are paying many of their bills on-line. With the security of your information of highest importance, you can rely upon our on-line giving site to set up a one-time, or recurring gift of whatever amount you choose, and however often you choose. And it is easy to change the amount or frequency whenever you wish. Click the on-line giving link at the bottom of the page.
- **Gifts of Stocks or Mutual Funds.** You may donate stocks or mutuals funds directly to College Church by transferring them from your broker to the church's broker. Although you should consult your tax advisor, giving in this way may provide you a tax advantage. There may also be small numbers of shares you own that you would rather move out of your portfolio, but would prefer not to handle all of the paperwork involved. College Church is pleased to be able to expedite those transactions for you. Please contact Nancy Singer or Dan Bauer at 630-668-0878 for specific instructions.
- **Gifts through your Will.** College Church would count it a privilege for you to remember us as one of the beneficiaries of your estate. Monies given to College Church as a 501(c)(3) non-profit may save estate and inheritance taxes on the amount designated.
- **Memorial gifts.** You may request that gifts from others in memory of you at your death be made to College Church. Likewise, you may give to College Church gifts in honor of a loved one who has passed away, whether they attended the church or not. It is just one more way of making your gifts count toward Kingdom Work.
- **Required Minimum Distributions.** If you are required to withdraw a portion of your IRA, you can direct your IRA custodian to make a direct transfer to College Church as a 501(c)(3) non-profit. Again, consult your tax advisor, but the amount withdrawn may not have to be added to your gross income at tax time.