



Village Church of Northbrook

LEGACY SOCIETY

When you name the Village Church in your will or estate plan, we enroll you in the Village Church Legacy Society.

Members are recognized with a leaf on the **Growing Tree** on the Legacy Wall, and honored annually at a special event.

Contact the Endowment Fund Chair at 847-272-0900 or endowment@villagechurchnorthbrook.org when you make a gift or name the church.

WHY SHOULD I GIVE?

When we give, we add meaning to our lives and express our deepest convictions. As caretakers we have a responsibility to pass our gifts to those who follow.

"Every man shall give as he is able, according to the blessing of the LORD your God which he has given you."

Deuteronomy 16:17



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How Do I Give?

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PURPOSE

Imagine a gift that lasts not for a day, or a season, or a year... but forever.

Since 1993, donors have given gifts to the Endowment Fund. The principal is never spent; a portion of the investment income is available each year to enhance our church's facilities, missions, and ministries.

Annual stewardship supports the church's ministry here and now; a gift to the Endowment Fund helps secure the church's mission into the future.

A substantial Endowment Fund will assure the church's sustainability and excellence for decades. It is a gift for the future as we enjoy today what was given by those who came before.

There are a number of ways to participate:

- **Bequests** - You may specify a dollar amount or a percentage of the assets in your will.
- **Commemorative Gifts** - You may give a gift of cash (checks), appreciated securities, a life insurance policy, an annuity, or property to the Endowment Fund to commemorate an important event, honor a loved one, or as an expression of gratitude and thanksgiving.
- **Planned Gifts** - These gifts provide income for you or a beneficiary during your lifetimes and benefit the church thereafter, or provide yearly income to the church during your lifetime, and, afterward, benefit your family or friends.
 - Charitable Gift Annuities
 - Charitable Remainder Trusts
 - Gifts of Property

Who manages the fund?

The Endowment Fund Council, elected by the congregation, manages the investment and disbursements of the funds according to the Policies and Procedures established by the Session.

Tax Considerations

Tax laws play an important role in charitable giving decisions. Please discuss the tax advantages of a planned gift with your tax or legal advisor.

Questions

Members of the Endowment Fund Council will answer your questions about participation in our Endowment Fund or direct you to someone who can. Please contact Ken Cooke, Chair of the Endowment Fund Council, at 847-272-0900 or endowment@villagechurchnorthbrook.org.

