

How does the Endowment Fund relate to the annual stewardship program?

Gifts to the Endowment can be compared to establishing a savings account or making an investment for the future of the church, and are not designed to affect the regular stewardship program. Annual stewardship pledges and capital giving are essential to the daily and ongoing operation of the church.

Gifts for on-going budget needs and legacy giving are fully compatible with each other in sound financial planning for a congregation. They are distinct parts of a complete financial plan for the church.

How does the mission of St. Philip's Lutheran Church benefit?

Each year St. Philip's receives a distribution gift from the Endowment Fund which helps sustain and enhance the many ministry programs of the congregation. As the Fund's principal grows through your gifts, greater support is available for the work of the church.

St. Philip's Mission:

- Invite and welcome everyone into our Christian community;
- Nurture and strengthen each other in our faith;
- Reach out and share God's love in the world.

Why should I consider making a gift to the Endowment Fund?

"God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that by always having enough of everything, you may share abundantly in every good work."
II Corinthians 9:8

A gift to the Endowment Fund is a meaningful way to give witness and appreciation to God for what He has meant in your life. This opportunity to give will further the work of Christ in creative ways both now and into the future.



How do I benefit as a donor?

Most importantly, you may celebrate the joy in giving as a steward of God's gifts. Your gift will perpetuate God's work even beyond your lifetime. You may also benefit from tax deductions related to your charitable giving.

How do I give?

Gifts can be current contributions or deferred gifts. Appropriate gifts include cash, securities, life insurance, real estate, or designation as beneficiary.

Cash Gifts in any amount can become a significant economic force over time. Cash gifts can originate from memorials, special events, or year-end tax planning. Please specify "Endowment Fund" on cash contributions intended for this purpose.

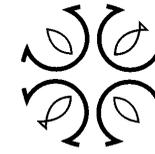
Stock, Bond, Mutual Funds would make ideal gifts to the Endowment Fund. Stock may be transferred outright during an individual's lifetime or by naming the fund as a beneficiary, or as a revocable or irrevocable living trust.

Existing or New Life Insurance and Annuities may be used as gifts to the Endowment Fund by changing your beneficiary, assigning your dividend, or creating a legacy with a new policy.

Wills are an easy and meaningful way to witness your appreciation for what St. Philip's faith community has meant to your spiritual life and growth.

Follow the instructions listed on the enclosed donor card and mail or bring the card in to St. Philip's Lutheran Church to the attention of the Endowment Fund.

Your financial advisor or attorney can assist you with your future planned giving or the committee can recommend the ELCA Foundation or the Lutheran Community Foundation to assist you with your planned giving.



ST. PHILIP'S ENDOWMENT FUND

Please complete both sides of this charitable donation form and return to:

St. Philip's Lutheran Church
Endowment Fund
6180 Highway 65 NE
Fridley, MN 55432

Name: _____

Address: _____

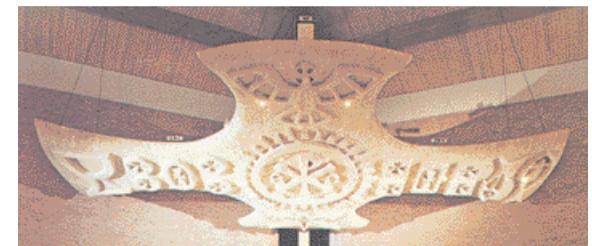
City: _____

State: _____

Zip: _____

Phone: _____

E-Mail: _____



DONOR INFORMATION

_____ I have already included St. Philip's Endowment Fund in my will or estate plan.

_____ I have enclosed a check designated to the St. Philip's Endowment Fund.

_____ I would like to consider including St. Philip's Endowment Fund in my will or estate plan. Please Contact me.

_____ I would like to attend an educational presentation regarding the St. Philip's Endowment Fund.

Please designate your gift to **St. Philip's Endowment Fund** to assure clear communication of your wishes.

What is your Legacy?

Every member is invited to consider making a gift - large or small - to help grow the Endowment Fund.

Donors who have informed the church of a gift in their will or estate plan and donors who make a gift totalling \$1,000.00 or more to the Endowment Fund become members of the Legacy Circle.



The ellipse reflects the never-ending character of the gifts given, and the never-ending ministry thereby sustained.

The ellipse is made of a variety of species of wood. The donors are likewise different people, each with unique reasons for their gift. Each donor's gift is joined with the glue of faith and dedication to form the never ending line that helps sustain, shape and nurture the future of St. Philip's ministry. The omega cross with its fish and loaves is the symbol of St. Philip's Church. It represents that this ministry is of St. Philip's Church, responding to the call of Scripture – that we feed and refresh the souls of all who “come and see.”

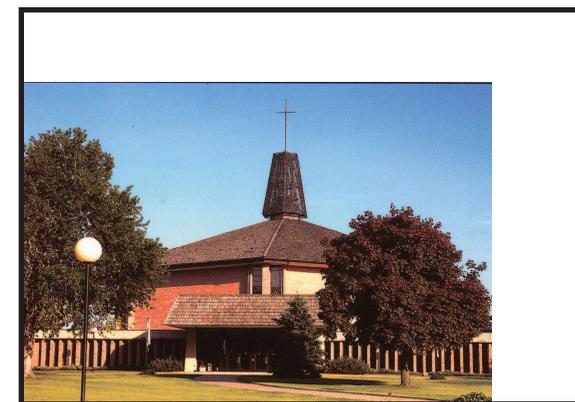


For more information contact one of the Pastors or any member of the Endowment Committee.

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St. Philip's Lutheran Church Endowment Fund



What is the Endowment Fund?

In 1989 St. Philip's Lutheran Church voted to establish a permanent endowment fund as an expression of gratitude to God. The Endowment can provide funds for educational, charitable and religious programs of St. Philip's Lutheran Church, the local community and across the globe. It could also help the church meet new challenges and opportunities which would not normally be met by the annual budget.

The monies in the Endowment Fund are invested to provide both appreciation of principal and current income while maintaining an acceptable level of investment risk.