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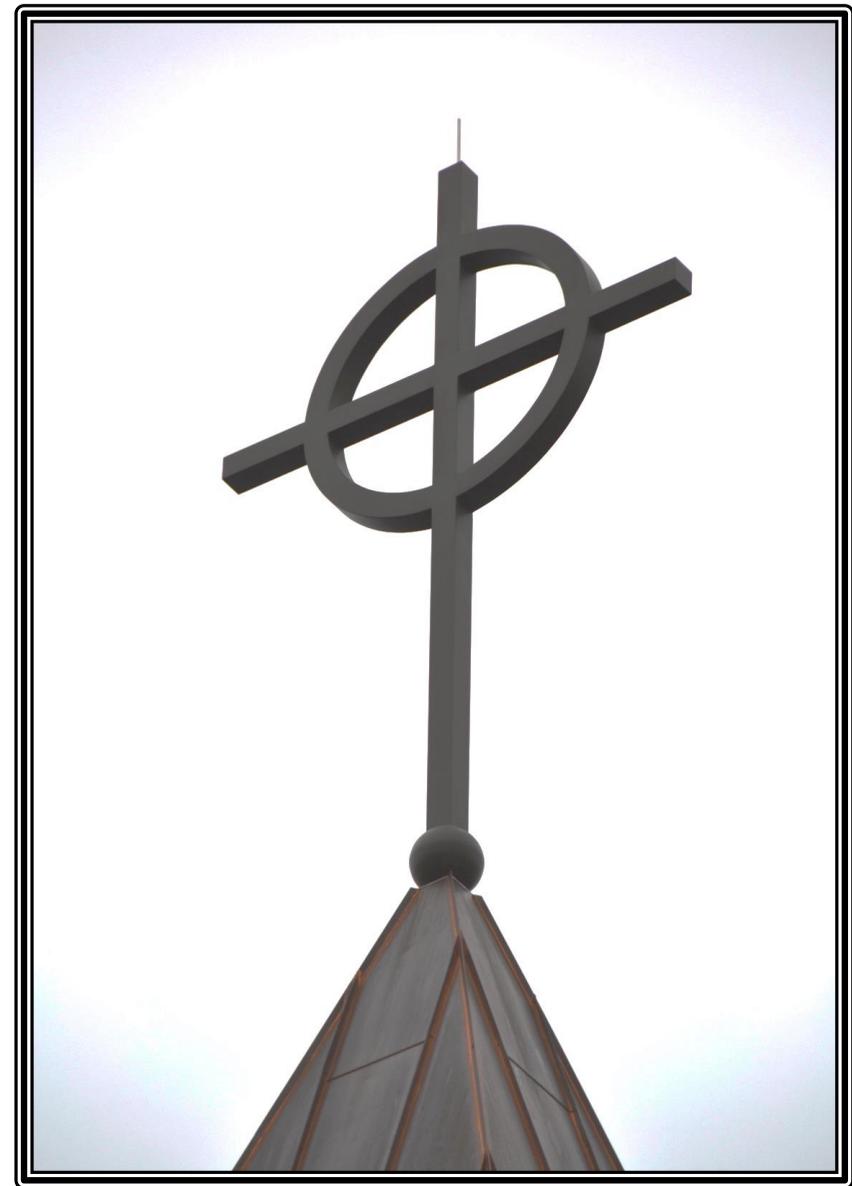


THE ENDOWMENT PROGRAM OF UNITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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THE PURPOSE

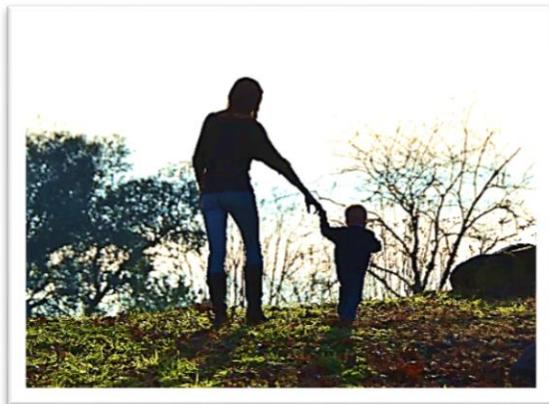
The purpose of the Unity Endowment Program is to expand and enrich the long term mission of the Unity congregation by providing support beyond normal operating budget and capital fund giving. The Endowment offers individuals and families the opportunity to “Create a Legacy Today for a Faithful Tomorrow,” thus extending their stewardship both for today **and** beyond our lifetimes.

Creating a “LEGACY TODAY for a FAITHFUL TOMORROW.”

Unity Presbyterian Church offers giving opportunities for:

- ❖ Annual giving that supports current operations and programs.
- ❖ Capital campaigns to fund church facility expansions.

The Unity Endowment Program provides a distinctly different giving opportunity since it focuses on the future and provides perpetual support of Christian ministries for today and future generations.

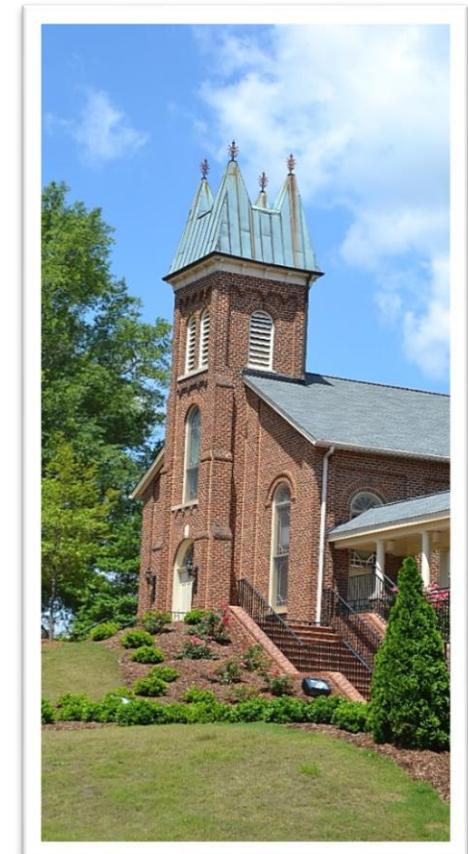


Through your support, you receive the assurance and personal satisfaction that your gift, regardless of size or form, will help assure that your Christian and Family values will continue to be reinforced for those who follow us as we have been blessed by those who came before.

LEGACY ACCOUNTS

The Unity Endowment Program provides an opportunity for you to create and strengthen your Legacy in a manner suited to personal desires and interests. Below is a brief description of the current Accounts.

- ❖ **Missions/Benevolences** - This Account will fund missions and benevolence activities above and beyond those funded in the annual budget.
- ❖ **Christian Education Ministry** - This Account will assist with funding special projects and missions for children, youth, and adult programs.
- ❖ **Music Ministry** - Programs, projects, and missions of Unity’s music ministry will be funded by this Account.
- ❖ **Capital/Building** - Renovations and major improvements to the existing property and equipment that are normally treated as capital expenditures will be supported by this Account.
- ❖ **General Endowment** – This Account will provide income to support opportunities for ministry beyond general operations of the church and where the need is greatest.





MOST POPULAR GIVING OPTIONS

- ❖ **Direct Contributions** of personal property including cash, stock, bonds and real estate.
- ❖ **Bequests of Will or Trusts** that can be in dollar(\$) amounts or percentages(%) of designated parts of your residuary estate.
- ❖ **Beneficiary Designations** on Bank Accounts, IRA's, Life Insurance Policies, Annuities and Retirement plans which can reduce family income tax liability upon distribution.
- ❖ **Gift Annuities** are a simple and effective way to donate funds and to receive an immediate tax deduction plus guaranteed tax favored income.
- ❖ **Personal Trusts** such as Charitable Lead Trusts provide the Endowment with regular payments for stipulated years, then the trust assets are returned to the donor's estate. Charitable Remainder Trusts provide lifetime income for a fixed term to the donor or their family. When the term ends, the Endowment receives the remaining trust assets.
- ❖ **Donor Advised Funds** transfer cash or securities to an IRS approved Donor Fund. The donor retains flexibility to decide the amounts and timing of distributions from the fund to the Endowment or other charities.

Note: *Many of these giving opportunities can be accomplished without legal assistance.*

FREQUENT QUESTIONS

Who manages the Unity Endowment Program?

There is an elected board of seven (7) voting Unity Presbyterian Church members. The Senior Pastor and the Financial Manager are advisory non-voting members. The Board meets at least quarterly to manage assets and allocate the income to support the Program's ministry objectives.

What makes a Gift to the Endowment Program Different From Other Forms of Church Giving?

The Unity Endowment Program is a permanent fund. Annual distributions from the Endowment to approved requests have a target range of 3-6 percent of the balance of the account as of the end of the prior fiscal year.

Do Gifts Have Tax Advantages?

Yes. Both immediate and deferred gifts may have significant tax benefits. Moreover, several kinds of gifts allow you to continue to use the donated property or receive income during your life, and still receive a tax deduction.

Is My Gift Too Small?

Absolutely not. Because all gifts are pooled in program accounts, they have a cumulative effect making even the smallest gift significant. Every gift has the potential to compound the investment return over the long term.

What About Confidentiality?

Discussions with Board members and the church office will be held in strict confidence. Furthermore, when you make a gift, you can designate if you want the gift to be disclosed or anonymous.



In his first letter to Timothy, Paul writes with instructions for those who have accumulated significant financial resources in their lives. He says, “They are to do good, to be rich in good works, generous, and ready to share, thus storing up for themselves the treasure of a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of the life that really is life.”

Gifts to the Unity Endowment Program are a practical and important way that we can bring that scripture to life. Clearly we have been blessed with a great foundation as a church. First established in 1788, Unity Presbyterian Church is now in its third century of service to Jesus Christ and continues to spread the good news of Christ’s love in both word and deed. That witness is a beacon of light in a world that desperately needs it.

Gifts to this program will assure the continuation of this vital ministry in ways beyond the normal operations of church life. They will allow us to dream new dreams and to expand our impact in the life of our community for generations to come. They will assure the continuation of “the life that really is life.” I can’t imagine a better investment of the gifts we have received from God.

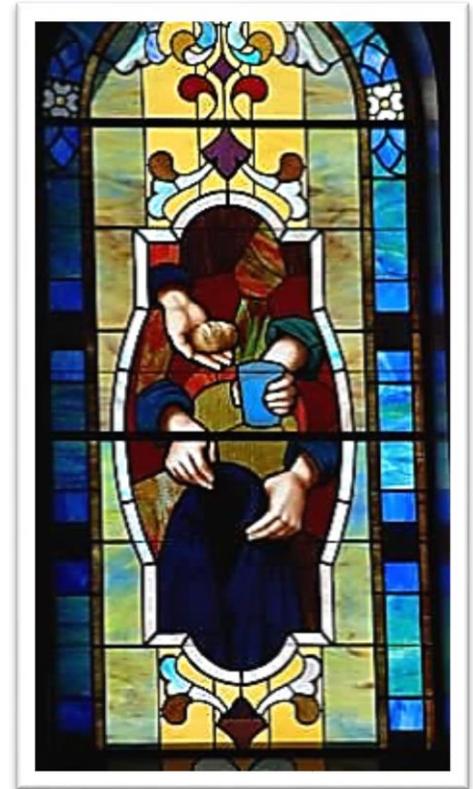
In Christ’s Service,

Dan Holloway
Pastor

FOR MORE INFORMATION

If you and your family would like more information concerning the Unity Endowment Program, please direct your questions to the Unity Endowment Board members, church office or website.

Your insurance, legal, tax, and financial professionals may also provide you with guidance and educational information that may be of help to you for your specific choices.



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