



Holy Trinity Church

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Contributing to the Needs of Holy Trinity Church

Many of the church's needs are consistent. The rent and utility bills, for example, come with remarkable regularity. Our priests have regular food bills, and so on.... Every contribution you make helps Holy Trinity Church to bring forth the Word of God as He has intended for us to do.

In Paul's letter to the Corinthians (2 Corinthians 8:1 – 9:15, Paul teaches us the **Principles of Christian Financial Giving** and why it is so important that we give from the treasures He has bestowed us with:

- **Giving is a response to God's grace**
- **Giving is an acknowledgment that we are God's stewards**
- **Giving is an essential component of Christian spirituality**
- **We can give significantly whether we are financially rich or poor**
- **Christian giving brings abundant blessings**

“Father, how much then should I give?” “My child, how much do you want to be blessed?”

The fact is that God abundantly blesses Christians who give voluntarily and sacrificially. This is the secret we discover about this whole area of life. **Read Mark 8:34, 35**. If we live selfishly and self-protectively, we will "lose our lives." But if we're willing to give ourselves away in love for others, trusting the Lord to meet our needs, we will discover that God enriches our lives more than we could ever give (**see also 9:8**) to his work. Notice the blessings Paul says such Christian "sowers" will "reap."

To learn more about how to put these **Principles of Christian Financial Giving** to work in your life please log on to our web site at www.HolyTrinityChurchHawaii.org and click on the *Giving to HTC* link.

A Godly giver can make a restricted donation to a specific area of interest or an unrestricted charitable contribution to Holy Trinity Church in various ways, aside from their regular weekly offerings: Capital Campaign, Endowment Gifts, Matching Gifts, Planned or Deferred Gifts, and the Annual Fund. Gifts can be planned to express the donor's individual interests and to accommodate his or her tax situation*. On the next page we will explain how each one of these Gifting Methods helps Holy Trinity Church keep its promise to our community.

* For tax related questions, please consult your accountant or Tax Preparer.



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Ways You Can Contribute Towards the Needs of Holy Trinity Church

Annual Fund

Gifts received through the annual appeal are raised from parishioners, friends, foundations, and corporations and are utilized to meet current operating expenses. These important annual contributions help to fund parish clubs and organizations, and building and grounds maintenance. The Annual Fund helps make a major difference in the lives of our community and the parish as a whole.

Endowment Gifts*

Endowment gifts are placed in a permanent fund that allows only earned income to be spent. The larger the corpus of the endowment, the more income will be realized by Holy Trinity Church.

Matching Gifts*

Participating companies match the amount of dollars given to Holy Trinity Church by their employees or retirees. The company matches a gift after the donor sends his or her donation along with the company's matching gift form. These forms can be obtained from the personnel offices of companies that offer matching gifts.

Planned or Deferred Gifts*

Planned or deferred gifts of supporting the church in which a gift's use by Holy Trinity Church is postponed until a specified future date. An example of a planned gift would be naming the church as a beneficiary in one's will. This serves to reduce the size of the taxable portion of an estate and can lower federal estate tax liability. Through a charitable gift annuity, a donor may contribute cash, appreciated stock or real estate. This annuity will provide you with a guaranteed income for life; reduce the size of your taxable estate as well as other tax savings while at the same time benefiting Holy Trinity Church. Other forms of planned giving opportunities include various trusts, life insurance policies, and transfers of residence and personal property.

Donate your Vehicle*

You can donate a "safe driving operable vehicle" to Holy Trinity Church through Aloha Auto Auction. After donating your vehicle you will receive a donation receipt for your tax purposes. To receive the instructions on doing this, please click here for the Vehicle Donation forms.

What step of faith does God want you to take in this area? Is it to begin consistently giving? Get advice on finances? Make a faith-promise gift? Increase your giving?

Our ability to reach out to those in needs is thanks in a large part to the amount of contributions made by each and every one of God's chosen people. Remember God's promise to you in Luke 16:10-12 that your faithfulness in this area is crucial for being entrusted with greater responsibility.

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