

FIND OUT MORE TODAY

If you are interested in making a legacy fund gift (now or in the future), you can discuss it with the Senior Pastor, Business Manager or with any member of the Legacy Fund Committee. You should also consult with a professional advisor to ensure that your estate plan meets your unique goals and complies with all legal requirements.

For full details on SPUMC Legacy Fund, please review the following documents:

- The Charter of the Legacy Fund Program
- St. Paul's Bequest Provisions
- Gift Acceptance Policy
- Spending Policy



These documents and additional giving information may also be found at www.stpaulslenexa.org/contribute (scroll down to select the Legacy Fund tab).

Have you already named St Paul's UMC in your Estate Plan? We would love to know! The Committee would like to acknowledge all gifts to the Legacy Fund in an appropriate and timely manner. It is the goal of the Committee to celebrate the gift, the giver and the ministry being supported through personal expressions of thanks and when appropriate, public recognition. Of course, donor requests for anonymity shall be respected and strictly observed.

This brochure is for informational purposes only. You should consult an attorney or tax advisor regarding your particular situation.



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ST. PAUL'S UNITED METHODIST CHURCH LEGACY FUND

WHY DO WE HAVE A LEGACY FUND?

The Legacy Fund was established to encourage, receive, and administer perpetual gifts in order to strengthen the ministry, outreach, and mission of St. Paul's UMC. A donation to our Legacy Fund is fundamentally different than other contributions to our church and its ministries.

This fund is established to enhance the mission, outside of the general operational budget of the church. The goal is to grow the Fund so that income and net appreciation are available to meet special ministry goals and needs. Gifts are not spent but left to grow to make it possible to make annual grants from the proceeds.

WHAT FUNDS ARE AVAILABLE?

General Ministry Legacy Fund

The General Ministry Legacy Fund is the primary fund. This is where undesignated gifts will go. Funds are typically for one time or short-term needs.

Mission Legacy Fund

The Mission Legacy Fund provides assistance for program materials, equipment, transportation, leadership and related expenditures for new and existing missions of SPUMC.

Music Legacy Fund

The Music Legacy Fund underwrites the cost of music, supplies, equipment, costumes, musicians, and expenses related to performances and events.



Scholarship Legacy Fund

The Scholarship Legacy Fund is used for preschool, youth mission, and adult mission.

Building Maintenance and Capital Improvement Legacy Fund

The Building Maintenance and Capital Improvement Legacy Fund supports HVAC, roof, parking, paint, plumbing, and new construction. It may be used for equipment needed to maintain church property.

WHY SHOULD I MAKE A GIFT TO THE LEGACY FUND?

The tradition of charitable giving extends the outreach of Christ's Church, allows one to experience the blessing and joy of giving, and provides a good example of Jesus' love. It helps ensure St. Paul's is here for future generations. A strong endowment provides a stable base of income to protect against fluctuations in the financial wellbeing of our church.

HOW CAN I GIVE TO THE LEGACY FUND?

You or your attorney may make provisions in your **Last Will and Testament** or **Living Trust**. You could choose to leave an unrestricted specific

amount, an unrestricted percentage, a gift for a specific purpose, make a specific bequest, residuary bequest, or contingency gift.

If you itemize, you may decide to give a **Gift of Cash** as you can lower your income taxes simply by writing us a check. Gifts of cash are fully deductible—up to a maximum of 50% of your adjusted gross income.

As a stock owner, it is often wise to **Contribute Stock** instead of cash. This is because a gift of appreciated stock generally offers a two-fold tax saving. First, you avoid paying any capital gains tax on the increase in value

of the stock. Second, you receive an income tax deduction for the full fair market value of the stock at the time of the gift.

A Gift of Real Estate can also be wise. A residence, vacation home, farm, acreage, or vacant lot may have so appreciated in value through the years that its sale would mean a sizeable capital gains tax. By making a gift of this property instead, you would avoid the capital gains tax, and, at the same time, receive a charitable deduction for the full fair market value of the property. It is also possible to make a gift of your home, farm, or vacation home so that you and your spouse can continue to use it for your life times while you receive a current income tax deduction.

St Paul's Legacy Fund may be **named as the Beneficiary or Contingent Beneficiary of your Life Insurance Policy, IRA, or 401(k)**. Your plan administrator should be able to provide guidance on how to include your church in your planning.