

FOR MORE INFORMATION

One of our Pastors will be happy to schedule a meeting with you at your convenience. An Endowment Fund Board Member would also be pleased to call or meet with you, to discuss any questions you may have.

We would be happy to provide a copy of our Endowment Fund Document to you (and to your investment, legal and tax advisors), at your request.

For more information, call the church at 412- 741-4900 and ask for our Senior Pastor or a member of the Endowment Fund Board.

No decision to contribute to the Endowment Fund should be made without prayer or without consulting with your financial, tax and legal advisors.

We welcome your calls while you are considering a gift and after you have made a decision to make a gift.

Depending on the nature of the gift, it is best to give us a heads up before the gift is made to be sure we can accept it.



**Christ Church
at Grove Farm**
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WHO WE ARE

Christ Church at Grove Farm is a young church with traditional values - tested by time and based on scripture, our final authority in all matters of faith and practice.

We are a non-denominational protestant evangelical church worshipping in The Anglican Tradition. Our beliefs are summarized in the 39 Articles of Religion listed in the Book of Common Prayer.

We are a warm and caring Christian community, growing in faith and sharing the good news of the gospel from the pulpit, in our programs and by our people. Our Vision is: TO CALL OUR WORLD TO CHRIST.

We are a full-service church ministering to families and individuals in good times and bad, in sickness and in health. Our members and regular visitors come from many religious backgrounds. We rely on strong preaching. We enjoy a mix of traditional and contemporary music.

We have a special focus on the family - on Christian education for all ages - on young parents trying to raise their kids in a broken world - on youth learning to deal with new freedoms and responsibilities - on keeping our college students in touch - on the challenges of marriage and divorce - on seniors coping with change in their lives. We celebrate the sanctity of life from conception to death as a gift from God to be nurtured always.

There are many good things happening in our church - most are not publicized, they quietly touch the lives of families and individuals. We have been blessed, and we want to share God's blessings as well as the "Good News" with others. We have prayed for and received God's blessings - now we hope to be a blessing.

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BUILDING A LEGACY

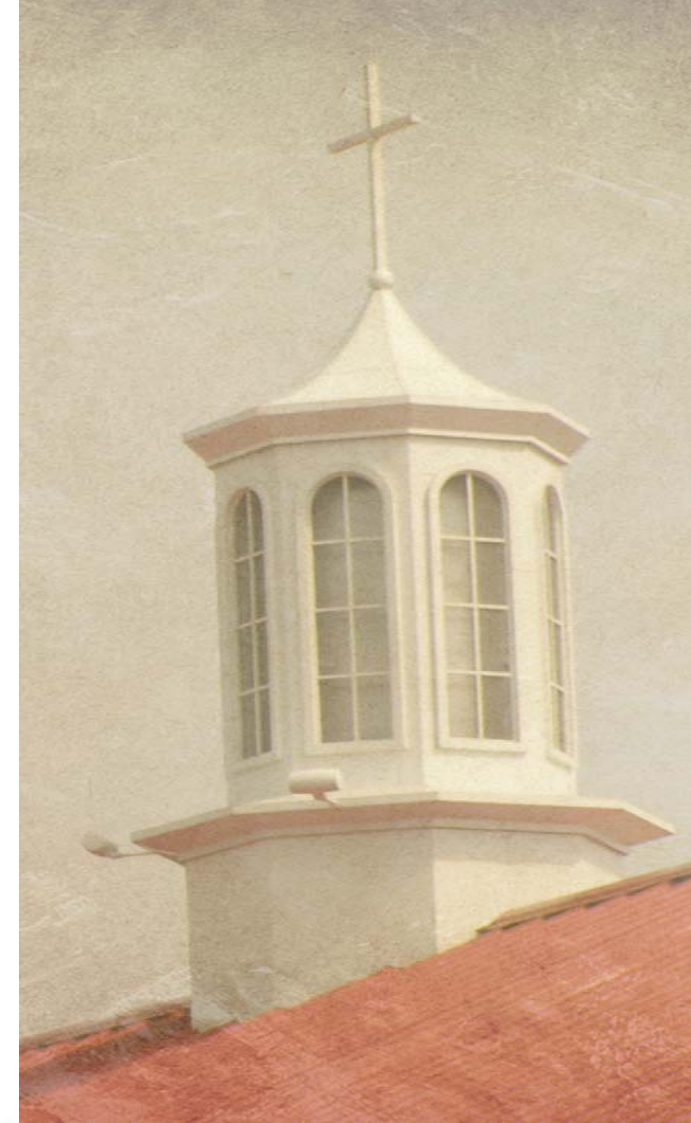
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SHARING OUR LEGACY

... one person, one family
at a time.

HELPING ENSURE OUR LEGACY

... be a blessing.



*Know the joy of giving
a perpetually managed gift
to help ensure our legacy
for future generations
through the*

CHRIST CHURCH
at Grove Farm
**ENDOWMENT
FUND**

THE GIFT THAT GIVES TODAY and TOMORROW.

If you have been thinking about remembering our church in your will - or making a special gift now, during your life, to support Christ's ministries on Grove Farm - here's good news:

Your gift to the Christ Church at Grove Farm Endowment Fund can help provide for the needs and ministries of our church in perpetuity. Such a gift can come in the form of a bequest from your estate or a gift from you today.

Gifts can be made in any amount - in your name or as a memorial in the name of a loved one to his honor or her memory. The standard of giving remains "not equal gifts but equal sacrifice." Gifts can be donated as a one-time contribution or as pledged installments.

Supporting His ministries on Grove Farm far into the future is a truly Christian way to return some of the blessings God has given you - to be a blessing.

Why do we have an Endowment Fund?

Parish Council approved the Christ Church at Grove Farm Endowment Fund on September 21, 2009 to provide an opportunity for each of us to help ensure the legacy that has been created on Grove Farm. An Endowment Board will perpetually manage the fund to protect the principal. Only earnings will be used to support the long-term needs of the church as well as unforeseen ministry opportunities not budgeted.

How is a gift to the Endowment Fund different from my annual gift?

Our annual tithes and offerings are used shortly after their receipt. Gifts to the Endowment Fund are not used immediately and are conservatively invested for the future. They are not meant to replace our tithes and offerings.

Gifts to the Endowment Fund are perpetually invested and managed by the Endowment Board. Only a portion of the earnings are made available to Parish Council for distribution to our ministries.

Parish Council determines the needs to be funded outside of the annual operating budget. These needs may include missions and benevolent opportunities; deferred maintenance, depreciation and replacements not otherwise funded.

In this way the Fund should grow to provide for needs of the church far into the future - well after our deaths. This helps ensure the future of the legacy we enjoy on Grove Farm.

Are there tax advantages?

In most cases, yes. With proper use of the Endowment Fund, you may realize significant tax advantages today - as could your estate tomorrow. You may;

- Achieve income tax reductions;
- Reduce your estate taxes;
- Reduce your capital gains taxes.

Under present inheritance tax laws, over half your estate could be payable in estate taxes to governments. With careful planning and proper use of the Endowment Fund, your tax burden could be significantly reduced. We urge you to consult your tax advisor for more details.

How is the Endowment Fund administered?

The Endowment Fund is managed by the Endowment Board whose members are appointed by the Rector and Senior Pastor and who serve at his pleasure. The Rector and Senior Pastor or his representative is an ex-officio voting member of the Endowment Board.

The authority and responsibilities of the Board are spelled out in the Endowment Fund Document, a copy of which is available upon request.

What are the ways I can give to the Endowment Fund?

There are a variety of ways to give to the Endowment Fund, such as:

- By donating a check.
- By transferring a title document.
- By making a bequest in your will.

- By a bequest in your living will.
- By naming the Endowment Fund as one beneficiary of an insurance policy.
- By making a current distribution from your living will.
- By establishing a Charitable Remainder Trust or other plan with lifetime income.
- Name the Endowment Fund as one beneficiary of an IRA.

What can be gifted to the Endowment Fund?

A variety of assets can be gifted to the Endowment Fund, including:

- Cash - lump sum or installments.
- Real Estate.
- Stocks and Bonds.
- Life insurance and annuities.

Why is my gift to the Endowment Fund so important?

Knowing the joy of giving.

The resources of the Endowment Fund can be used to pay for unexpected, major expenses, which are not in our budgets. Rather than incur debt or conducting a capital campaign, these needed funds can come from the earnings of a fund designed for this purpose.

It is ironic that our members and regular visitors have been faithful with their tithes and offerings as well as their gifts and pledges to our capital campaigns - during their lives. Yet, they do not include Christ Church as a beneficiary of their estates after their death. We hope to correct this irony through the Endowment Fund.