

And 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.
2 Corinthians 9:8

Our Endowment Program ensures this church carries on the legacy of God's work in Emporia. Through this we carefully steward the gifts we are given for future generations, so that we can make disciples of Jesus Christ and transform the world. The endowment gifts given to the church are testimonies to the faith and belief that there is work still to be done here through our church. We thank you for considering to be a legacy donor to this church.

A copy of the Charter of the Permanent Endowment Program is available in the church office. Further information can be obtained from a member of the Permanent Endowment Committee.

Thank you for considering a planned gift.

If you have already made a planned gift to **Emporia First United Methodist Church**, please let us know so that we may THANK YOU properly!

If you are interested in learning more about how to make a planned gift or to have a confidential discussion about opportunities to give to Emporia First, please contact:

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Planned Giving

Planting seeds for the future.



ENDOWMENT FUNDS

Gifts to the Endowment Fund will be used to provide long-term income to three different areas to enhance our discipleship.. The three areas are Forever First Legacy Fund, Property Fund and The Impact Fund.

1. FOREVER FIRST LEGACY FUND

The Forever First Legacy Fund is the primary fund of our Endowment Program. It is an endowed fund where the principle given will be retained. Interest earned on the fund will be used for future ministries.

This fund is a living legacy for our congregation, providing opportunities for new ministries into the future. Gifts to the Legacy Fund shall be classified as "undesignated" funds.

2. PROPERTY FUND

Income from this fund shall provide for capital improvements, repairs, equipment, and furnishings for properties owned by the Church.

3. THE IMPACT FUND

Gifts for The Impact Fund provide income for the following ministries of the Church.

Scholarships: Gifts to those seeking higher education and other educational opportunities is an important way your gifts could be applied.

Youth: The life of the youth group is a vital area of discipleship creating many avenues for growing opportunities to engage our youth and reach new youth. Your gifts may be considered to support this area of the church life.

Missions: People of all ages have growing experiences on mission trips or endeavors that may take them to other parts of the country and world. Gifts in this area could very well be life changing.

Staff Support: Competent staff continue to grow in their education by learning new and best practices. Gifts for continuing education will help the church grow and be it's best.

GIFTS NOW

Cash: Cash gifts are welcome any time and provide immediate tax benefits.

Appreciated Securities (or other assets): The gift of appreciated securities is most often in the form of common stock or mutual funds. Such a gift is a valuable way to benefit Emporia First and for you to receive tax benefits based on the fair market value of the assets. Other appreciated assets, like real estate, may be gifted, but it is important to discuss these in advance with Emporia First.

Real Estate: Real estate may be deeded outright to Emporia First or left by bequest. The irrevocable gift of property may provide an immediate tax deduction and avoid capital gains.

Life Insurance: Make a gift of a policy or buy a policy making Emporia First the owner and beneficiary.

Required Minimum Distribution: Gift your RMD to the church for tax benefits.

GIFTS LATER

Bequest: There are many ways in which you may bequeath assets to the church. Bequests to Emporia First are always excluded from your taxable estate and provide a very simple way to share your life's blessings and leave a legacy. You may choose a specific item, a percentage, or a residual bequest. You may also choose to make Emporia First a contingent beneficiary in case the heirs are unable to receive the estate.

Retirement Plan Assets: In some cases, retirement assets can be the heaviest taxed assets in an estate. Naming Emporia First as beneficiary enables the asset to pass tax free to Emporia First. You may also make Emporia First a percentage beneficiary or a contingent beneficiary of a retirement plan.

We hope you will consult with your professional advisers on how this gift would fit into your overall plans.