



## Honor Gifts, Memorial Gifts, Legacy Gifts, and Endowment Contributions

Making a gift in honor or in memory of a loved one and leaving a gift in your will are meaningful ways to donate to Christ United Methodist Church. All such gifts, whether designated for current operations or for the CUMC Endowment Fund, can have a significant impact that extends the work of CUMC in our community.

By designating CUMC as the recipient of these gifts, individuals and families can ensure their values continue to be reflected in their cherished faith and community. Additionally, these gifts can offer financial and tax benefits, ensuring both a personal and philanthropic legacy.

### Honor Gifts

An honor gift is a thoughtful way to acknowledge an accomplishment or a milestone in your life or in the life of a loved one, or to honor a living person who has had a major influence in your life. This kind of gift to CUMC has a meaningful and lasting impact both in practical terms and as an inspirational symbol of your commitment.

### Memorial Gifts

Giving a gift to CUMC in memory of a loved one is another meaningful way not only to acknowledge and celebrate a loved one or another person who has now passed and whose impact is still felt in your life, but also to express your commitment to the CUMC mission.

### Legacy Gifts

Designating CUMC as recipient of a legacy gift upon your passing is another way to show your commitment to supporting CUMC and its mission. You might:

- include in your end-of-life documents your wishes to designate CUMC as a recipient of gifts in your memory; and
- include the following request in your obituary: "In lieu of flowers, please consider making a gift to Christ United Methodist Church, Columbia, MD."

### Endowment Contributions

Any of the types of gifts described above may be made as a contribution to the CUMC Endowment Fund. The purpose of the Fund is to provide support now and in the future for a broad variety of activities and projects that are intended to advance the Church's core principles of love, justice, and community, but that are not funded through the annual operating budget.

### How to Make a Gift

- By check: When making a gift by check, please:
  - Use the memo line to designate the purpose of the contribution—e.g. memorial gift in memory of (name), honor gift in honor of (name, milestone, accomplishment, etc.), or legacy gift given by (name).
  - Also be sure to specify if you want the gift to go to the Endowment Fund.

- Mail checks to:  
Christ United Methodist Church  
7246 Cradlerock Way  
Columbia, MD 21045
- By electronic transfer: When making a gift by electronic transfer, please:
  - use the "Comments" section to designate the purpose of the contribution—e.g. memorial gift in memory of (name), honor gift in honor of (name, milestone, accomplishment, etc.), or legacy gift given by (name).
  - Also, be sure to specify if you want the gift to go to the Endowment Fund.
  - Use the QR code or website below to make an electronic transfer:



<https://christunitedmethodistchurch-columbia.breezechms.com/give/online>

### **Acknowledgements**

All such gifts and contributions are greatly appreciated. CUMC will send to donors or their estate a note of gratitude and a receipt in compliance with IRS requirements.

*Donations are tax-deductible to the extent allowed by laws. Christ United Methodist Church is a 501(c)(3) organization. Our Tax ID (TIN/EIN) is 52-1105161. If you have any questions, please call us at 410.381.6329 or [send us a message](mailto:admin@cumcobic.org) (admin@cumcobic.org).*