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Christian legacy.

**The Episcopal Church
of the
Holy Innocents
Henderson, North Carolina**



**Planned Giving
Opportunities**

PLANNED GIVING IS EASY. IT CAN BENEFIT BOTH YOU AND THE CHURCH.



**We can provide
you information &
discuss options.**

A planned gift reflects thoughtful and intentional management of personal resources. By making a bequest in your will or establishing a trust, a charitable gift can help you achieve both your estate and Christian goals. Often, making a deferred gift can also have the added advantage of reducing one's personal taxes or returning tax—advantaged annual income to you.

While they are not necessarily complicated, planned gifts do require directed effort to see that your charitable wishes are carried out.

'Holy Innocents is ready and able to assist you in your process of setting up any particular planned gift. We can provide information, discuss options, make suggestions, and work with your advisors to accomplish your intentions.

From the Book of Common Prayer, page 445. *Ministers shall... instruct the people about the duty... of all persons to make wills, while they are in health, arranging for the disposal of their temporal goods, not neglecting, if they are able, to leave bequest for religious and charitable purposes.*

THERE ARE VARIOUS TYPES OF PLANNED GIFTS.

Examples of planned giving include:

Making a bequest — Leaving a gift in your will is a relatively easy way to make a charitable gift. You can name a specific gift amount or a percentage of your estate. You can name the parish, other ministries, and/or non-profit organizations as beneficiaries of charitable bequest.

Many other gift options also exist. Specifics of various deferred-gift options are available upon request. They include:

- Life insurance policies
- IRA or pension plan arrangements
- Establishing trust or annuities

Gift opportunities include **Charitable Remainder Trusts** and **Charitable Gift Annuities**. In either, you set aside assets for the church and/or charity after your death and receive both life income and tax benefits now.



“Giving and Receiving”...
Blessed are those who can give without remembering and receive without forgetting.

BLESSING OTHERS THROUGH PLANNED GIFTS

Affirmation of Faith. A planned gift demonstrates that God has a pivotal place in your estate.

Witness. Your will is your last testimony. In addition to gift for ministry, you could consider including a preamble to your will proclaiming your Christian Faith. Your heirs will be listening.

Mission. Your gift can support whatever ministry touches your heart, at 'Holy Innocents, or beyond to other Episcopal institutions, or for ministries—local and/or global.

Funding Future Ministry. For you, the joy will be in the giving. For others, they will know your love as a Christian Legacy.



**Funding Future Ministries at
'Holy Innocents, your gift is an
expression of your Christian Faith.**

THE EATON LEGACY CIRCLE



A Vestry initiative in 2009 recognizes those who remember The Church of the Holy Innocents in heir estate plans. These special donors witness to the importance of their faith and the parish in their lives and help secure parish ministries for future generations.

You become a Legacy Circle participant simply by notifying the church in writing that you have made a provision in your estate plans for a gift. Neither the size of the gift nor the type of gift matters. Only that you have made the provision in your estate plans for a Vestry approved gift.

By their example Eaton Legacy Circle participants help raise awareness for expression of legacy stewardship. They meet annually to share a meal and host an event that provides information on estate planning. They sponsor a parish memorial that recognizes Eaton Legacy Circle participants since 1842.

The Vestry is poised to acknowledge and celebrate each family who may choose this path. **Contact the Rector or a Vestry member for more information.**

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IT'S SIMPLE -- WE CAN HELP

Start with your objectives for your family and friends in your estate plan. From there making a bequest can be a relatively simple decision process. To help make your decision easy, the 'Holy Innocents Planned Giving Committee can assist you in trying to determine gift strategy choices that are a good fit for your circumstances.

If you would like to explore planned giving options, just fill out the Response Form on this brochure and return it to us. We will contact you after that to help you think through whether this might be the right path for you and your family.

Whether your preference is a bequest in a new will, a codicil to your existing will, or another giving option, making a planned gift to 'Holy Innocents is a clear expression of your Christian stewardship. It is a legacy statement to your heirs and offers a strong witness of your faith. A planned gift in your will concludes your days with a resounding, "Thanks be to God!"

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