

Who to contact:

A confidential meeting can be arranged with an ELCA gift planner at 608-270-0201 or by contacting of the Legacy board members at LEF@stmartinscp.org

The current board of directors is comprised of:

- ◆ James Hartung
- ◆ Hilary Kirikov
Casey Peterson
- ◆ Tom Johnson
- ◆ Van Valaskey
- ◆ Lois Weiland

COUNT ME IN!!

Name _____

Contact me at : Phone _____ or Email _____

_____ I would like to speak to someone about how I can best make a contribution

I am interested in exploring the following areas for making a contribute (check all that apply):

Cash Gifts Life Income Agreements Life Insurance IRs, Profit Sharing & 401(k)s
 Charitable Trusts Gifts by Will Other

Distribution areas that are important to me: ELCA Missions Local Causes Youth Other

Return this from to: St Martin's Church Office, to one of the Legacy directors or to the ELCA office, 6401 Odana Road, Suite 20, Madison, WI 53719

Honoring the Past ...

Since its founding , St Martin's has been blessed by a strong sense of Christian community. Generously giving of its time and talents has allowed the congregation to reflect God's love on each other, the local community, and the world at large.

Witnessing in the Present ...

St. Martin's is a Christian church. We exist as a Christian congregation because we have been called together by the Holy Spirit and given the task of knowing and sharing God through care, compassion and worship.

Planning for the Future ...

In order to ensure that we will continue God's work for the years to come, your gift will serve for generations to come!

St. Martin's Lutheran Church

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Legacy

Endowment Fund

*Freely you have received,
Freely you give*

*Your gift means God's work
will not end when your time
on earth ends*

St. Martin's Legacy Endowment Fund

The purpose of this fund is to enhance the overall mission of St. Martin's Lutheran Church apart from the general operation of the congregation. It is the desire of St. Martin's to encourage, receive and administer gifts in a manner consistent with the loyalty and devotion to our Lord, expressed by donors, and in accord with the policies of this congregation.

Gifts to the Endowment Fund ensure that helping the needy and spreading the Word of God will be important at St. Martin's far into the future.

Vision Statement

To strengthen St. Martin's faith journey for the future through legacy giving. *The faith of tomorrow blooms from the seeds of today.*

Mission Statement

The Legacy Endowment Fund allows contributors to forever show their loyalty and devotion for the Lord by:

- ◆ Serving and loving one another, especially those in need (Matt 25:40)
- ◆ Fostering the preaching and teaching the Word of God and proclaiming the good news (Matt 28: 16-20)
- ◆ Encouraging each of you to look not to your own interests, but to the interest of others (Phil: 2:4)

Distributing St. Martin's Legacy Endowment Funds

The interest from the Fund may be distributed as follows:

- ◆ *Missions of the ELCA, nationally & worldwide (Examples: World Hunger, Malaria Relief, mission work, etc.)*
- ◆ *Congregational, Local or Area causes, programs and special ministries which are deemed consistent with the purpose and mission of the Fund (Examples: Youth Trips, MOM programming, community programs & etc.)*

The Endowment Board shall determine both the percentage of available funds per category to be distributed and the recipients of the annual distribution within any category. The Endowment Board of Directors are here to:

- ◆ *Explain why leaving a St. Martins Legacy Endowment gift is so important and encourage commitments.*
- ◆ *Assist and direct donors on how to direct funds and offer sources of financial advice.*
- ◆ *Monitor funds and investments for security and integrity of the St. Martin Legacy Endowment Fund.*
- ◆ *Accept distribution requests and act to direct all distributions on an annual basis.*
- ◆ *Ensure the continuation of the St. Martins Legacy Endowment Fund in an orderly manner for generations to come.*

To arrange a personal & confidential visit or to learn more, contact one of the Fund members.

*Consider a gift which will
change lives for
generations to come ...*

Your Gift Plan

If you would like to make a contribution that will keep on giving, consider making a donation to St. Martin's Legacy Endowment Fund. There are many ways you can do so., such as:

Cash Gifts: Memorializing or honoring a family member or friend on a special occasion.

Life Income Agreements: Making a gift while maintaining income.

Life Insurance: You May wish to designate the Fund as beneficiary of your policy.

IRAs, Profit Sharing & 401(k)s: Because these assets can be subject to both income and estate tax at death, designating the Fund as a beneficiary can help to reduce taxes to be paid.

Charitable Trusts: Trusts are a very useful tool for estate planning and can be tailored to serve your special needs.

Gifts by Will: Bequests recognize the opportunity to make a lasting contribution to support the programs of the Fund.

*** In making a gift to St. Martin's Endowment Fund, you are encouraged to consult with your financial advisor or attorney.*