"For where your treasure is, there will your heart be, also." **Matthew 6:21** 

"Remember the words of the Lord Jesus, how he said, It is more blessed to give than receive." Acts 20:35

"God loves a cheerful giver." II Corinthians 9:7

"Freely you have received, Freely give." Matthew 10:8

"Every man is to bring a gift as he is able, in proportion to the blessings that the Lord your God has given him." Deuteronomy 16:17

### Why should I give to the Endowment Fund of Christ Church?

Creating and implementing a gift to your church is a transforming experience. By giving to the Endowment, you can change your asset to a resource that will fund the future mission and ministry of the Church.

The Endowment provides a way for you to continue to serve the ministries and missions of Christ Church long after you are gone, so you are truly making a gift to future generations of Christians.

What a wonderful legacy of your faith! How can I find out more about this program and my giving opportunities?

Members of the Endowment Board and the Rector invite you to contact any one of them with questions, comments or suggestions. The names of the current committee can be found on our website or by calling the church office.



## Planned Giving & Creating a Legacy

### The Endowment Fund

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# What is the Christ Church Endowment Fund?

The Endowment Fund was established in 2014 to enable Christ Church to fulfill its mission by developing its ministries beyond what is possible through annual operating funds.

Distributions from the fund will be limited to capital improvements, outreach ministries and grants, and seed money for new ministries and special one-time projects.

The Endowment, like the Parish, is a taxexempt organization affording significant benefits to Church members and others who donate gifts during their lifetime and/or after death.

### Who manages the Endowment?

A separate board oversees the Endowment. Three to five members of the Board are elected by the Vestry for three-year terms; they are joined by the Rector and Senior Warden.

The Board members are advised by appropriate legal and financial professionals to review and manage the Endowment. They follow guidelines including donor stipulations and the Endowment's investment, spending, and gift acceptance policies. You can ask the office for a copy of these policies.

The Board reports to the Vestry and Parish at least annually.

### How can I give?

There are many ways to fund future missions and ministry through the Endowment:

□ Assigning investments to Christ Church as Transfer on Death (TOD)

□ Charitable gift annuities with lifetime payments

□ Include Christ Church (Episcopal) of Exeter in your will, bequeathing a percentage of your estate for the Church's work.

□ Designating the Endowment as a beneficiary on annuities, life insurance and retirement plans.

□ Direct gifts of cash, securities, real estate and other valuable items

 $\Box$  Gifting of life insurance

 $\Box$  Personal trust accounts

 $\Box$  Tax-advantaged asset transfers

The Members of the Board can share information with you on the various means of making a gift. It is important that all Christians have a will that includes provision both for one's family and Christian stewardship.

Please consult with your legal and financial advisors.

We will be appreciative if you will inform us of the plans you have made.

In your planning, we recommend naming your gift using the wording below:

The Endowment Fund of Christ Church of Exeter; *or* 

Christ Church of Exeter of the Episcopal Diocese of New Hampshire; *or* 

Christ Church (Episcopal) of Exeter, Exeter, New Hampshire;

Or similar wording.