

Planned Giving

Our church blesses us in so many ways, welcoming us and giving us the opportunity to extend that welcome to the surrounding community and beyond. We receive and give pastoral care, engage in contemplative practices, and seek to learn continually about our faith. We also reach beyond our own community to do social justice and to care for the earth. In gratitude, we support this work of our church with our yearly pledges.

Planned giving offers us an even greater opportunity to support the work our church. By writing a gift to the church in our will, or making a special contribution, we can bless the FPCSR ministry and mission long into the future, serving generations to come.

A planned gift is often a large donation to the church from our estate. However, we can also give single donations during our lifetime. For example, a church member donated \$50,000 so that we could purchase the wonderful grand piano now in our sanctuary. Nancy Boyce gave a \$50,000 endowment in memory of her husband Ed, in support of mission programs. That endowment has grown to \$84,000 through increases in the value of the investment and from additional donations. Interest from the Boyce endowment supports our after school programs for elementary school children. FPCSR has benefited greatly over the years from these special donations.

“*I, like other church members, have a donor advised fund with the Marin Community Foundation. This is an easy and convenient way to contribute to projects of the Church outside the budget.*”
—Ralph Lunan



First Presbyterian Church of San Rafael

A vibrant and inclusive community grounded in celebration, service, and spiritual growth.

Our Values, Mission and Vision

- A place to belong where all are welcome - in person and online
- Extending God's love to our community and beyond
- Offering ministries of care and compassion
- A progressive gathering space for lifelong learners
- Encouraging contemplative spiritual practices
- A center for the arts and a place for young musicians
- Committed to social justice, caring for the earth & interfaith partnerships



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HOW SHOULD I DIRECT MY GIFT?

In order for FPCSR to have flexibility in managing our assets long term, please consider giving to these categories:

Undesignated Gifts:

Such gifts offer the widest latitude to the Session for the church's use.

General Endowment:

The income earned from bequests and other gifts in this category can be applied widely, to help with the church's overall operational costs and/or be applied in any programmatic area.

Mission Endowment or Gifts:

The income earned from gifts to the Boyce mission endowment support outreach programs for vulnerable youth, our work with homeless and hungry people, and such volunteer programs as Habitat for Humanity or our Mission trips to support Presbyterian Disaster Assistance. Outright gifts can also support these programs.

Care of the Congregation:

A key focus of our work: worship, music, pastoral care, Deacons.

Major Maintenance/Capital Improvement/Church Building Fund:

We are blessed with a facility that includes the sanctuary, the church office, Canoles Hall, the Chapel, our commercial kitchen, and so many meeting rooms as well. Gifts in this category help us maintain and improve our physical plant.

Federal Tax ID:

94-1322199

GIVE NOW...

Cash Gifts

A simple, effective way to maximize your deductions. A gift of outright cash provides the largest immediate deduction from your taxable income. It also provides an immediate benefit to First Presbyterian Church of San Rafael, allowing us to put your gift to work right away.

Appreciated Stocks

Required Minimum Distribution (RMD)

When making required minimum distributions, you can utilize a Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD) in which you direct the custodian for your IRA or any other retirement account subject to minimum distributions to send your distribution or some part of it directly to charity (such as the church). This method reduces your income directly and saves taxes even if you do not itemize your personal deductions and this income reduction often improves your taxes even if you do itemize.

Charitable Lead Trust

This is an example of another way to give now. You place assets in a trust which pays interest income to FPCSR during your lifetime. The Asset then returns to your family.

Charitable Unitrust

This type of charitable remainder trust reverses the lead trust concept to pay you a set income annually and then passes the principal to your favorite charity upon your demise.

In Kind Gifts

Property, vehicles, etc.

“For more than 40 years, FPCSR has been my spiritual home, where I feel known, loved, and inspired to service. I contribute because I want to see that welcome offered to others for decades to come.”

—Michael Stone

GIVE LATER

Gifts by Bequest

A way for your gift to last beyond your lifetime

A Will and/or Trust represents a person's final wishes and intentions. After providing for your loved ones, please consider one final act of generosity through a bequest in your will or living trust that provides enduring support for our vital work. For many of us, this will be the most significant gift we will make - our gift of a lifetime.

Beneficiary of Life Insurance

You can make the church the beneficiary of your life insurance policy and of retirement plans, e.g. 401Ks or IRAs.

Planned Giving Committee

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We also have a great resource on our webpage: Go to FPCSR.org, scroll down, and click on [Planned Giving](#).

FPCSR works with the PCUSA Foundation. They have been an important resource in designing our Planning Giving Program and may also be a resource for you personally:

www.presbyterianfoundation.org