

What is a planned gift?

A planned gift may take the form of an outright gift, a bequest by will or other estate plan, a gift annuity, a charitable trust or a life income gift.

These gifts usually come from accumulated assets such as cash, personal property, real estate, stocks, bonds, life insurance policies, or nearly any other asset of tangible value.

There are often ways these gifts can be made to take advantage of allowable estate tax and income tax incentives. In some cases, there may even be financial advantages for the donor or the donor's family in making a planned gift.

Permanent life income gifts, such as charitable gift annuities and charitable trusts are simple ways to provide the donor with lifetime income while benefiting a charity at the same time.

When can I make a planned gift?

The Foundation has an Investment Management Agreement with the Texas Methodist Foundation establishing an investment account for the Foundation. Gifts may be accepted by the Foundation for deposit into the account at any time.

You can decide what and how much to give, as well as when you want to give. You can be as specific or as nonspecific as you wish. Some people make their gifts through bequest or other estate planning instruments. This alternative provides possible estate tax advantages. Others give during their lifetime. This alternative provides possible income tax savings.

As you plan your gift, the Foundation recommends you consult with your professional advisors.

Learn more about the Foundation

You may contact Rev. Philip Rhodes, the Senior Pastor of First United Methodist Church of Hurst or visit www.fumchurst.org/foundation.



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OUR MISSION

First United Methodist Church of Hurst is an open community of Christians seeking to live out the unconditional love of God as revealed in Jesus the Christ.

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Your faithfulness continues
through all generations...

Psalm 119:90



What is the First United Methodist Church of Hurst Foundation?

The First United Methodist Church of Hurst Foundation (Foundation) provides members and friends the opportunity to make charitable gifts that will create a living legacy and a permanent source of financial support for the First United Methodist Church of Hurst.

The Foundation is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization that manages a private endowment fund separate from the regular operating funds of the First United Methodist Church of Hurst.



Why is my gift important?

Your gift enhances the ministry of First United Methodist Church of Hurst and provides funds that supplement the finances available to the church. Your gift may provide for ministries that otherwise may not be possible. It is also an act of stewardship as well as a faithful expression of gratitude for the gifts God has freely entrusted to us.



"We could never measure the good which was a result of Isham's Chapel. Many lives have been changed and made better because of its long years of influence in the community. Most of you are familiar with the history of the twelve years spent here in the present location (Harmon Road). Many hearts and hands have joined in the building of God's work in this place. I don't think there could be a church anyplace, anywhere so blessed with so many talented, generous, and consecrated people as is found here. I am continually amazed by the accomplishments here. But we must remember that the most wonderful part of our heritage in the Methodist Church is that we meet the need of people of our community and thus bring more and more to follow Christ."

—Edna Anderson, April, 1964

How can I make a gift to the Foundation?

There are two ways to make a gift to the Foundation, an **undesignated gift** or a **designated gift**.

1. An undesignated gift allows the Foundation to decide the best use of the funds to further the overall mission of the church.
2. A designated gift, typically a gift over \$100,000, allows the donor to designate how the gift is to be used to further the overall mission of the church.

How will the Foundation use my gift?

The Foundation is a perpetual fund, dedicated to the overall mission of the church. It includes: maintenance, expansion, beautification of the church as well as the missions and ministries of the church, as recommended by the Foundation.

