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SHREVEPORT

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FIRST PRESBYTERIAN SHREVEPORT

First Presbyterian Church has been in existence since 1845. It was February of 1845 when James Gallaher found enough interested Presbyterians to organize a church. The first twenty persons signed the covenant which organized the church that is the present day First Presbyterian Church, Shreveport. The first twenty declared their privilege to devote their lives and heart to the service of God. In May of 1845, the church elected its first Session.

Throughout the years, First Presbyterian Church has seen the community where we live change dramatically. As one of the oldest churches in Shreveport, we have a rooted history in this community with regards to ministry and mission as well as local outreach efforts. Over the years, First Presbyterian has been instrumental in developing several prominent community organizations including Providence House, Volunteers for Youth Justice, Interfaith Pharmacy, and the Samaritan Center.

Legacy, service, and commitment to the community and the surrounding areas, define this church. First Presbyterian Church's purpose is to respond to God's love made manifest in Jesus Christ and to promote Christ's continued work in the world. Many of you and your families have been an integral part in this purpose. We say thank you for your support of the church and its various ministries, as we look to forward to God's Promised future of our congregation.

A Word from Pen

In one of the most beautiful and compelling pieces of our scripture we are called to a special and joyful purpose, *Hear, O Israel: the Lord is our God, the Lord alone. You shall love the Lord with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your might.* (Deut 6:4-5) Jesus adds that we should love our neighbor as ourselves.

Just after these words, Deuteronomy reminds us of a truth we already know – that we live in cities that we did not build; that we drink from wells that we did not dig; that we eat from vineyards that we did not tend. (Deut 6:10-11)

At First Presbyterian Church, we are nurtured and shaped into disciples because of the work of those faithful saints who have come before us. A program of planned giving is a way that we can continue to build on a strong foundation for those who will come after us.

This Planned Giving Guide will provide you with the information that you need to prayerfully consider extending the ministry of First Presbyterian Church to future generations. I stand ready to meet with you about your intention to give, as do our advisors at the Texas Presbyterian Foundation.

With great gratitude for the grace of God and for the faithfulness of God's people,

Pen

From the Trustees

A young woman is ordained a Presbyterian pastor in a church in Georgetown, Texas. The glorious music of a brass quintet announces Christ's resurrection at the Easter service. The roof of our gymnasium undergoes extensive, unexpected repairs. Dr. Thomas G. Long, named one of the twelve most effective preachers in the English speaking world, delivers the Spencer and Flora Murray Lectures. A multi-generational group from our church spends a week working in isolated Guatemalan mountain villages alongside members of a women's cooperative as they strive to improve the nutritional health and economic lives of their families. A single mother and her two young children graduate from Providence House and continue their journey down the long, hard road of self-sufficiency.

These events and hundreds more like them were either made possible in their entirety or facilitated in part by the income earned on gifts to the Legacy Fund of First Presbyterian Church. These gifts came over many years, in all different sizes, from a variety of individuals. But this disparate group of givers all shared several things in common: the desire to continue to participate in the mission and ministry of First Presbyterian Church long after their own deaths; the belief that the continued mission and ministry of this church that they loved so much was important for Shreveport and the world; an abiding trust in us to be good and faithful stewards of their generosity; and the hope that we who came after them would be inspired by their example to grow and broaden the ministry of our permanent funds through our own gifts to the Legacy Fund.

The primary balance of our Legacy Endowment is located in **Unrestricted Gifts**. The trustees continue to encourage members of the congregation to prioritize a contribution of an **unrestricted gift**.

For restricted gifts, our Legacy Endowment is organized into three areas:

THE MINISTRY FUND: Income earned on this fund is used to sustain the ministries of Christian education; worship and music; the nurture of children and youth; and the fellowship and faith formation of all ages.

THE MISSION FUND: Income earned on this fund is used to support outreach ministries in Shreveport, our nation, and our world. This fund will also be able to help generate new opportunities for outreach as our church responds to its calling to "seek the welfare of the city." (Jeremiah 29)

THE MASONRY FUND: Income earned on this fund is used to maintain the beautiful facilities that have recently been renovated so that we can continue to use our building to serve our mission as a congregation.

Your contribution, regardless of the amount, to any of these special funds will ensure that First Presbyterian Church will continue to proclaim the good news of Jesus Christ.

FPC Planned Giving Committee

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A Word from the Stewardship Ministry

DEAR FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH MEMBERS,

As we continue to Fulfill the Vision with the extensive remodeling and reconstruction of our facilities, all members of our church family are receiving this Gift Planning Guide with the hope that it prompts you to prayerfully consider how you might support the work of First Presbyterian Church during the course of your lifetime and beyond. Our church, like many others has been silent for too long when it comes to asking church members to consider a “Planned Gift.” It is our prayer that First Presbyterian will build on the strong foundation provided to us by D. Thomason and other visionary members as we begin to think about this form of stewardship in a new way.

Sometime in our near future, it is our vision that First Presbyterian Church will begin to receive bequests on a more regular basis. Some will be designated for the Legacy Fund, while others may be used to endow the pledge of a member who has passed away. Some may designate First Presbyterian the beneficiary of an insurance policy; another might establish a charitable trust with the church as the beneficiary of the remainder. Perhaps we will learn that some members have elected to tithe their estate to help fund the Lord’s work through First Presbyterian Church.

Such gifts, however, will be possible only if members make a conscious decision to remember the church in their wills and other related financial documents. They may take time to attend a related seminar at The University of First Presbyterian and read estate planning documents similar to the material included in this booklet. They will talk with their family, pray about it, and consider their decision in light of what they understand it means to be a follower of Jesus Christ. They will speak about it with legal and financial advisors. One day they will sign legal documents which will make a bequest to the church a reality upon their transfer from the Church Militant here on earth to the Church Triumphant in heaven. Their generous act will enable the leadership of our church to receive funds for Mission, Masonry or Ministry which we will never have without their faithful decision to remember the church in their will.

Please take time to read this booklet from cover to cover. Consider using your will as an instrument and expression of your Christian faith. Consider using your will as a method for continuing to support the work of the church in future years when our children and grandchildren will be Elders, Deacons and members of First Presbyterian Church.

Like your pledge to the church, using your will to make a Planned Gift to First Presbyterian Church is a matter of the heart. We make such gifts following the admonition of the Apostle Paul: “Each of you must give as you have made up your mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.”

Sincerely,

The FPC Stewardship Ministry

About the Texas Presbyterian Foundation

Texas Presbyterian Foundation serves Jesus Christ by supporting the long-term funding and investment needs of congregations, church-related institutions and agencies, and by educating, encouraging and enabling individuals to carry out Christian philanthropy.

It has served the Presbyterian Church since 1925. Texas Presbyterian Foundation provides Permanent Fund Development, Gift Administration, and Investment management.

The foundation provides resources such as on site consultation and training as well as consulting with donors and administering gifts from church members.

About the PEER Network

The Presbyterian Endowment Education and Resource Network (PEER) exists to provide resources that encourage Presbyterian churches and organizations toward best practices in gift planning and the use of endowments.

Through seminars, print and electronic media, and direct consultation, PEER'S network of ministers and laypersons works to strengthen and deepen the church's theological understanding of stewardship, and provide education, practical advice, and encouragement in the building and managing of endowments in the local church.

PEER is not a money manager and does not provide advice on investments or the management of funds. PEER provides churches a strong planned giving communications program in the form of endowment and funds related resources.

Types of Bequests:

SPECIFIC, RESIDUAL, CONTINGENT

SPECIFIC BEQUESTS leaves a specific item or amount. For example: *“I give and devise the sum of Ten Thousand (\$10,000) Dollars to First Presbyterian Church, 900 Jordan Street, Shreveport, Louisiana, or its successors, for such uses and purposes as its governing board shall deem necessary and proper.”* Or *“I give and devise the sum of Five (5%) percent of my net estate to ____.”*

A **RESIDUAL BEQUEST** provides for the distributions of any assets remaining in your estate after all specific devises have been satisfied. For example: *“I give and devise all the rest, residue and remainder of my estate to First Presbyterian Church, Shreveport, 900 Jordan Street, Shreveport, Louisiana or its successors, for such uses and propose as its governing board shall deem necessary and proper.”*

A **CONTINGENT BEQUEST** takes effect only if the person(s) designated in the will to receive a particular portion(s) of the estate predeceases the maker of the will. For example: *“I devise all the rest, residue and remainder of my property of every kind and description (including lapsed devises), wherever situated and whether acquired before or after the execution of this Will absolutely in fee simple to my wife, _____, if she shall survive me. If my said wife shall not survive me, then I devise all of said property to my children, in equal shares, provided, however, the issue of a deceased child shall take his or her parent’s share per stirpes. If at that time of my death I am not survived by my wife, any of my children, or any of my children’s issue, I devise all of said property as follows:*

1. *Fifty (50%) percent thereof to First Presbyterian Church, Shreveport, 900 Jordan Street, Shreveport, Louisiana, or its successors, for such uses and purposes as its governing board shall deem necessary and proper; and*
2. *Fifty (50%) percent thereof to, located at _____ or its successors, for such uses its governing boards shall deem necessary and advisable.*

“THE EARTH IS THE LORD’S AND ALL THAT IS IN IT”

~ Psalm 24:1

Consideration of Issues in Planning

Two of life's certainties, death and taxes, with all of their important aspects seem to get little planning time. A great majority of Americans die without a will despite the fact that most people have some assets as well as loved ones about whom they are concerned. We should provide for the well-being of loved ones and if able, leave bequests for religious and charitable uses.

Here are a few questions that can help you consider the major issues in planning the distribution of your estate. The questions listed, with any others, should be reviewed carefully with your lawyer:

- * Do you have a will?**
- * Does your spouse?**
- * Are there any beneficiaries?**
- * Has your will been reviewed in the last few years?**
- * Have there been changes that would affect your will?**
- * How are your assets owned?**
- * Is your spouse comfortable managing money?**
- * How will estate and income taxes impact your estate?**
- * Where should the property go after your spouse's death?**
- * Have you planned for your children and grandchildren's educational or other needs?**
- * Have you arranged for your spouse's/ parent's long-term health care needs?**
- * If you own a business, do you have a buy/ sell agreement to ease the transfer of the company stock?**

Outright Gifts

In evaluating your total financial picture, you may decide that it would be preferable, for tax or other reasons, to make an outright gift of cash or other assets right away.

OUTRIGHT GIFTS of cash represent a vital and important source of financial support for First Presbyterian Church, Shreveport. They are the easiest gifts to make and to receive. You are entitled to an income tax charitable deduction equal to the full value of the gift—provided that your charitable deductions do not exceed Fifty (50%) percent of adjusted gross income (AGI) in the year the gift is made. (Any unused portion of the deduction may be carried over into the next five tax years.)

Example: Mr. Doe has \$85,000. He contributed \$50,000 to First Presbyterian Church, Shreveport. He can deduct \$42,500 this year ($\$85,000 \text{ AGI} \times 50\%$); the remaining \$7,500 can be deducted in the next tax year (assuming that his AGI is at least \$15,000). Mr. Doe's gift of \$50,000 to First Presbyterian Church is fully deductible.

GIFTS OF SECURITIES A gift of appreciated securities enables you to make a substantial charitable gift with a low or original cost. When donating appreciated securities, you avoid paying capital gains tax and receive an immediate income tax deduction equal to the full value of the gift, provided that your charitable deductions do not exceed 30 % of your AGI.

Example: Mrs. Doe donated long-term stock, which cost her \$25,000 and is now worth \$90,000. Her AGI is \$120,000 this year. She is entitled to a \$36,000 charitable deduction for the current year ($\$120,000 \times 30\%$) and avoids tax on the \$65,000 appreciation. She is entitled to a deduction of \$36,000 for the next year or 30% of her AGI. The third year, she receives the benefit of the remainder of the deduction.

GIFTS OF REAL ESTATE A gift of real property may be very beneficial to First Presbyterian Church, Shreveport and offer you significant tax benefits. The benefits depend on a variety of factors including how the property is used, how marketable it is, and whether or not there is a mortgage. When a piece of un-mortgaged property is given outright, the donor receives an income tax deduction for the full market value of the property, and avoids paying the capital gains tax. (You may deduct 30% of your AGI for the current year; any excess may be carried over for up to five years.) First Presbyterian Church, Shreveport may actually use the property, or sell it and use the proceeds.

BENEFITS: Income tax deduction, reduced estate taxes, avoidance of capital gains, knowledge you have helped others.

Life Income Gifts

Many people who desire to make special gifts are faced with the dilemma of strong charitable intent on one hand, but a need to have sufficient resources to support themselves on the other. Worried that they might outlive their resources, they hesitate to commit to a gift that they truly desire to make. A Life Income Gift could be the solution.

LIFE INCOME plans allows you to make a present gift to First Presbyterian Church, Shreveport in return for lifetime income payments. It is as if you are giving away the vine, but are still able to enjoy the fruits of the harvest each year. This is a financial and philanthropic arrangement in which a charitable gift of cash, securities, or other property continues to provide an income to you, and/ or another person named by you for life or other period which you specify (not more than 20 years). After death of the final income beneficiary, the assets pass permanently to First Presbyterian Church, Shreveport.

Charitable Remainder

CHARITABLE REMAINDER TRUST A trust, of which there are many types, is simply a legal document appointing someone to manage assets (the trustee) for the benefit of someone (the beneficiary). The beneficiary can be the creator of the trust (the trustor) or others the trustor might name. The benefits are two-fold—payment of income to a beneficiary(ies) and principal to remainderman(men). A trust is not, by nature, complex and expensive.

Advantages to a Charitable Remainder Trust:

1. A secure source of annual income
2. An enhanced source of annual income
3. An immediate income tax deduction
4. An estate tax shelter
5. A capital-gains tax break on appreciated securities and other property
6. A substantial benefit to a worthy charitable cause

An **ANNUITY TRUST** pays fixed dollar amounts- at least 5% of the fair market value of the donated assets at the time of the gift. Any income not paid out is added to the principal. If income is insufficient to pay the required amount, the principal is invaded to make up the deficit. Your income tax deduction depends on your age, the age of the other beneficiaries (if any), the agreed upon percentage of the trust, and fair market value of the assets donated. Once again, there is no capital gains tax on this gift of appreciated property. The Annuity Trust is a good fit for individuals who need a reliable fixed amount of income.

Example: Mr. Doe owns appreciated stock from the company for which where he spent his working life. He donates these securities to establish an annuity trust with a value at the time of the gift of \$267,000, naming himself and his wife lifetime beneficiaries. The trust agreement provides for annual payments to the couple, then to the surviving spouse of \$16,020, or 6%. The annual payments are taxable. At the death of the surviving spouse, the remainder of the trust's assets go to First Presbyterian Church, Shreveport for the purpose designated by Mr. Doe.

CHARITABLE REMAINDER UNITRUST pays a variable income. An agreed upon percentage, (at least 5%) of the fair market value of the trust's assets, as valued each year, is paid annually. You may elect a "standard unitrust" where excess earnings are always reinvested in the trust, and which principal is invaded to pay the elected percentage rate when earnings are insufficient to do so. Or you may choose a "net income unitrust" where either the agreed upon percentage or the actual income from the trust is paid, if the income is less than the agreed payout. A variation of this option is a "net income with makeup" provision, which allows deficiencies in payouts to accrue during low-income years to be "made up" in years when earnings exceeded the agreed payout rate. The tax considerations are the same as an annuity trust. However, a unitrust can be more flexible. A unitrust can also provide a hedge against inflation. One variation allows for more growth while another provides income. It is simply what you want to accomplish, as well as the beneficiary's lifetime needs. Also, the document can be drafted so that you can make additional transfers of assets to the trust at any time.

Example: Mr. Doe transfers the two stocks he bought 40 years ago into a net income unitrust with an annual payout rate of 6%. The value of the stocks at the transfer was \$160,000. The couple will receive an annual payment of 6% of the value of the trust as valued each year. If the income on the trust amount is less than 6%, then the actual income is paid. If the amount earned is greater than 6%, the trust principal grows by the difference. At the death of the surviving spouse, the remaining principal will be paid to First Presbyterian Church, Shreveport.

Charitable Gift Annuity

A **CHARITABLE GIFT ANNUITY (CGA)** is a combination of a gift to charity and an annuity contract. You transfer assets to First Presbyterian Church, Shreveport; in return, we agree to make regular, fixed payments to you for the rest of your life. By its very nature, a CGA allows a higher return than most investments.

You receive a charitable income tax deduction for a portion of the value of your gift. Any capital gains tax on appreciated securities is spread over the life of the annuity, and some of the annuity income is tax free for a certain number of years, depending on the age(s) of the beneficiaries.

Annuity payments begin immediately, or they may be deferred to some time in the future. The longer the wait, the higher the income and greater the tax deduction.

Example: Mr. and Mrs. Doe, ages 68 and 73, donate \$50,000 from a Certificate Deposit (CD) to First Presbyterian Church for a gift annuity. The couple, and then surviving spouse, will receive lifetime annual payments of \$3,550, paid quarterly. Of this amount, 614.15 is tax-free; and \$2,935.85 is taxable income. The Does' charitable deduction for the remainder interest is \$37,513.23, and the expected return is \$72,420.

POOLED INCOME FUND is one in which your gift of cash or securities is combined with similar gifts of others and managed like a mutual fund. You or your designated beneficiary(ies) receive your share of the fund earnings each year. This arrangement allows for a higher return to you and the opportunity for long-term growth, which will ultimately benefit First Presbyterian Church. You are entitled to a charitable tax deduction in the year of the gift. This amount is determined by the number and ages of income beneficiaries. Additionally, when the gift is made with appreciated securities, you will not pay any capital gains tax.

Charitable Lead Trust

With a **CHARITABLE LEAD TRUST** you can provide immediate support for First Presbyterian Church while transferring assets to your heirs at a greatly reduced transfer tax cost. The lead trust pays income to First Presbyterian Church for a term of years. On termination of the lead trust, the trust assets will revert to you, or more likely, your heirs. Although the amount placed in a qualified lead trust is subject to gift and possible estate taxes, the present value of the total payout to charity is subtracted from this amount in determining how much is actually taxable. The trust can be written for a term of years that would make the taxes negligible.

Example: Mr. Doe funds a charitable lead trust with \$1,000,000 in stock for 10 years to help fund an endowment for First Presbyterian Church, Shreveport. First Presbyterian Church will receive the income from the trust every year for the next 10 years. At the end of 10 years, the stock is then distributed to his three children.



“IT IS THE SMALLEST OF ALL THE SEEDS, BUT WHEN IT HAS GROWN IT IS THE GREATEST OF SHRUBS AND BECOMES A TREE, SO THAT THE BIRDS OF THE AIR COME AND MAKE NESTS IN ITS BRANCHES.”

~ Matthew 13:32

Life Insurance

LIFE INSURANCE can play a very creative role in gift planning. By using life insurance, you may be able to make a charitable gift much larger than you ever thought possible.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH AS A BENEFICIARY

For a new or existing policy, you can name First Presbyterian Church a sole or primary beneficiary, partial beneficiary, or as an alternate beneficiary, that is, someone to receive the proceeds of the policy if the first or second person you named predeceases you. In this case, you retain ownership of the policy and have access to the policy's cash value. You also have the right to change beneficiaries. No income-tax deduction is allowed. However, the estate will receive a charitable deduction.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH AS OWNER

You can make the church owner of a new or existing life insurance policy. By making First Presbyterian Church owner, and continuing to pay the premiums, you are allowed to take a charitable deduction for those payments. As an alternative, gifts of the amount of the premiums could be made to First Presbyterian with First Presbyterian paying the premium. As long as the church is not under any obligation to pay the premiums with donations, you may take a charitable deduction for those gifts. If the policy is paid up, your deduction is equal to the replacement value of the policy, unless that value exceeds the tax or cost basis.

Example: Mrs. Doe always wanted to make a significant donation to First Presbyterian Church, Shreveport, but felt she was unable to give as much as she wanted to give. Now, Ms. Doe is 40 years of age and has decided to make this gift using life insurance. By making annual tax-deductible contributions \$855 for five years, she will have completed the funding of a \$50,000 policy. At the time of Ms. Doe's death, First Presbyterian Church, Shreveport will receive the \$50,000. As requested by Ms. Doe, this money will be added to the Endowment fund for scholarships.

Remainder Interest Gifts

You may consider giving your residence or vacation home to First Presbyterian Church, Shreveport but retain the right to use it for life. This allows you a significant tax deduction at the time of the gift, and the continued enjoyment of your home for as long as you (and your spouse) live. Your tax deduction is equal to the value of the remainder interest of your home.

Example: Mrs. Doe, age 78, donates her home—the house and the land—to First Presbyterian Church, Shreveport and reserves the right to live there for her remaining years. At the time of the gift, the land and house have a value of \$140,000. Her charitable deduction is \$75,938.20 for the remainder interest.

Retirement Funds

All **RETIREMENT FUNDS** allow you to name one or more primary, secondary and contingent beneficiaries. You can include First Presbyterian Church, Shreveport among the named beneficiaries of your retirement plan(s). Retirement funds can be among the best assets to use for a charitable gift. The reason involves the fact that they grow without paying income taxes. If you give them to a family member or other individual upon your death, income taxes and estate taxes may dramatically reduce these funds. Your loved ones may only receive a fraction of the fair market value at the date of your death.

The good news regarding First Presbyterian Church, Shreveport is this: Any Bequest Transfer (gift) of retirement funds to the church are made free of any income or estate tax because the transfer to a church receives a charitable deduction. You can also make this bequest transfer without incurring fees charged by a lawyer for changing your Last Will and Testament. You can designate a specific amount for First Presbyterian Church, Shreveport or a percentage of the death benefit. You can restrict your bequest transfer to a specific need such as the Ministry, Mission, or Masonry funds, or you can make an unrestricted bequest to the church.

Review this concept with your CPA and be sure to check with your Human Resources department at your place of employment. Request a copy of your beneficiary designation form or a blank beneficiary designation form.

Please remember: naming a beneficiary passes these funds. If none is named or all are deceased, the assets become part of your estate and pass according to the will or laws of intestacy if there is no Will. Retirement funds can be among the most valuable assets you own. They accumulate tax-free and thereby grow much faster than taxable assets.

Asset Replacement

After making a gift to First Presbyterian Church, Shreveport, some individuals choose to use the tax savings produced by the charitable deduction, and/or increased income, to purchase and pay the premiums of a life insurance policy, the proceeds of which might be equivalent to the value of the gifted property. By using this method, you can increase your income, make a substantial charitable gift, reduce estate taxes, and still leave your loved ones the inheritance you want them to have.

Example: Mr. Doe wants to give a significant gift to First Presbyterian Church, Shreveport. He would also like to leave his two children, Anne and James, additional funds that would not be taxed in his estate. He funds a charitable remainder trust with stock he purchased 50 years ago for \$50,000 and is currently valued at \$200,000. At 6% payout, this trust pays him \$12,000 annually. Mr. Doe then sets up a \$200,000 life insurance trust payable to Anne and James at his death. He funds this irrevocable trust with part of the income he receives from the CRT.

Giving Testimonies

WHY I CHOSE TO REMEMBER FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, SHREVEPORT IN MY WILL.

DIJI MCCLAMROCH

“Attending First Presbyterian Church has been the grandest journey of my life. It has been a source of education, strength, comfort and joy. The preaching and teaching have deepened and enriched my understanding of God and my faith has grown through the worship and work of the church. So in gratitude to God and to the church, I am leaving a gift for unrestricted use.”

BOBBIE HICKS

“After 47 years at First Presbyterian Church, it is so dear to my heart. My roots go deep. My beloved late husband and his parents were christened here at First Presbyterian. My step-grandchildren are members (which I think makes the 7th generation). I am so happy to be involved in anything that preserves & protects my beloved church. Since all the good works begin at 900 Jordan Street, the Hicks Marital Trust will go to First Presbyterian Church, Shreveport at my death for maintenance & upkeep only.”

LEE MORGAN

“In 1989, an opportunity presented itself for my late beloved wife Lucy and me to establish a trust that would enhance the joy and inspiration of the Music Ministry at First Presbyterian in perpetuity. This gift is also a testimony of our love for and gratitude to the Church for the countless blessings our family has received through music and the larger ministry. My prayer is that God will continue to be glorified and others blessed by the music here.”

“DO NOT STORE UP FOR YOURSELVES TREASURES IN EARTH,
WHERE MOTH AND RUST CONSUME AND WHERE THIEVES BREAK IN
AND STEAL; BUT STORE UP FOR YOURSELVES TREASURES IN HEAVEN,
WHERE NEITHER MOTH OR RUST CONSUMES AND
WHERE THIEVES DO NOT BREAK IN AND STEAL.
FOR WHERE YOUR TREASURE IS, THERE YOUR HEART WILL BE ALSO.”

~ Matthew 6:19-21

If you have any questions about the information provided in the Gift Planning Guide, we advise you to consult personal legal or financial advisors, or you may utilize the following resources:

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presbyterianendowment.org*

GIVE (GIV) V. 6D. TO OFFER IN GOOD FAITH; PLEDGE

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