

Let your faith echo onwards!

A meaningful legacy enables the gospel's message to ring clearly and ensures those who follow us will discover what it means to be Church in the 21st century.

We acknowledge special gifts to Robertson-Wesley in our Memorial Book. These may include items or donations given in memory of someone, bequests to the church made through a will, and special funds established for particular projects. The Memorial Book is kept in the Memorial Chapel at Robertson-Wesley and is available to be viewed at any time. It contains a permanent record of a vast array of gifts and donations to the church, which we are pleased to be able to honour in this special way.

Legacy Giving:

An act of faith in Christ's vital and vibrant message of love and hope.



Mission & Service:

You can choose to create a legacy in the wider church through the *Mission & Service of The United Church of Canada* (UCC). This supports many ministries, including global partnerships, education programs, UCC camps, the development of new churches, and much more. You can also choose to have your donation lodged in an endowment fund, creating a permanent legacy in *The United Church of Canada Foundation*. www.unitedchurchfoundation.ca

Let us help connect you with the UCC'S trained staff to help you make the best choice for your current circumstances and needs while making a gift to Robertson-Wesley United Church! They will encourage you to seek independent financial advice about any gift, and to discuss this information with the members of your family who should be aware of your decisions.

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Legacy Gifts at Robertson-Wesley



Sharing our gifts with
the future church

God's future needs - your trust, talents and treasures.

As Christians, what we leave behind is much more than a track record of daily events. A meaningful legacy enables the gospel's message to ring clearly and ensures those who follow us will discover what it means to be Church in the 21st century.

A gift in your will or other type of legacy gift can provide the church with the opportunity to explore and develop ways of undertaking ministry differently. Support that continues beyond your lifetime lays the foundation for a stable and exciting future. It helps this church community continue to bring Christ's vibrant message of diversity, compassion, and hope to others.

Legacy Giving:

An act of gratitude for what the church has given you!



Legacies at Robertson-Wesley

You can donate to our operating budget, our reserve fund, or an established Robertson-Wesley fund:

- ✓ Clarke Fund and Wesley fund (outreach and social development)
- ✓ Anniversary Legacy fund (operations and capital projects)
- ✓ Helen Mack fund (outreach)
- ✓ Music Endowment fund (sustainability of music programming)

The United Church of Canada also has a number of national funds to which you can direct a gift—for example, the United Church Women Endowment Fund and funds in support of justice, theological education, and leadership.

Each type of gift has different benefits to you and the church as well as different tax and financial implications.

Legacy Giving:

An act of trust in God's future church!

It is not about your current finances.

The common form of leaving a legacy is by writing the church a **bequest in your will** to any area of the church's work.

- ✓ You can specify any amount or a percentage of any asset as well as the time frame)
- ✓ You can allow the church to be a beneficiary of all or part of your Life Insurance, RRSP, RRIF and TFSAs.
- ✓ You can transfer funds from shares, mutual funds, or other securities at some point to the church too.

Explore what is best for your estate's taxes.

For example, **RRIF's** can be a large portion of your accumulated assets at your death. On your death, however, 100 percent of the proceeds from these are included in your final tax return. Your estate will have to pay taxes on the full amount. If you make the United Church the beneficiary of the proceeds of any registered fund, the church will issue a charitable tax receipt for the full amount of the gift. This in turn will have considerable tax benefits for your estate and your other beneficiaries that will significantly offset the amount of your gift.