

Steps to a  
**PLANNED  
GIFT**

**1** **LEARN**  
What Planned Giving Really Is:

As you plan your gift, please know that planned giving is far more than a transaction, it is...

**AN OPPORTUNITY...**

for you who care so deeply for this church and want to continue energizing this mission and its ministries, even after your lifetime.

**THE GIFT OF OUR LIFETIME...**

for you who are using your assets fully today – like your financial, personal and real assets. After our lifetime, when we pass along those assets remaining, most of us have the opportunity to make the largest and therefore the most impactful gift of our lives.

**LEADERSHIP ...**

for you whose generous decisions and actions have been witnessed by others. Your planned gift teaches others to re-deploy the resource they have to life up others – during their lifetimes and after.

**2** **DESIGN**  
Your Gift:

Planning your gift may enable you to have more impact here or to protect future assets for you and your family. Here are some of the more common gifts that you might consider:

**Bequest:** Make a gift after your lifetime through your will or trust. This can be a fixed dollar amount, a specific asset, or a percentage of your estate.

**Retirement Account:** This is the most heavily taxed asset in many estates. Choosing this as your gift frees you to leave less tax-burdened assets to loved ones.

**Real Estate:** Contributing property after your lifetime or when it is no longer needed can be a game-changing gift.

**Other:** Many other giving opportunities might prove ideal for your situation. Let's discuss.

**Caring for estates and assets  
often requires help.**

In order to make sure a particular planned gift fits your situation, we suggest that you **consult with your professional advisor** on how this gift would fit into your plans.

**3** **IMPACT**  
The Future:

Through your planned gift to the endowment you continue your work here at Brick Presbyterian Church even after your lifetime.

Gifts to the endowment ensure future resources for excelling in ministry not just to the next generation – but the one after that – and then to all of the generations who follow.

The endowment invests and preserves an ongoing financial corpus, which annually distributes a percentage to exciting opportunities for ministry.

**4** **TEACH**  
Generosity:

We teach by demonstrating our values through our words and actions. Now that you have made a gift, you may expand your impact by sharing with loved ones the *why* of your gift.

**Share the news of your gift with:**

**Your loved ones** so that they can witness your commitment beyond your lifetime — and follow your example to plan their own legacy for the future.

**Brick Presbyterian Church** so that

- we can thank you today for your future gift.
- others may witness your joy and explore their own pathway to such a gift.

**Join the Henry van  
Dyke Association**

...to recognize and thank individuals or families who have named Brick Presbyterian Church in their estate plans. To become a part, just request, complete and return the “Declaration of Intent” form.



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