

AN APPROACH TO GIVING

- **BEGIN WITH PRAYER.** Thank God for your blessings and ask for guidance and discernment.
- **ASSESS YOUR INCOME AND GIVING.** Determine your current giving as a percentage of your income. (Your 2017 third quarter giving statement from the church was provided at the end of October.)
- **SET YOUR GIVING GOAL.** If you are not currently tithing (giving 10 percent of your income), start with a lower percentage and then plan to increase the percentage each year, growing toward the tithe. The important thing is to begin the spiritual discipline of regular, consistent giving.
- **DETERMINE GIVING METHOD.** Take a look at the ways you can give and select the option that is best for both you and the church.
- **WORSHIP WITH GRATITUDE.** Fill out your 2018 annual commitment card and worship on November 18/19. As a congregation, we will express our gratitude to God and present our cards, representing our commitment to God's ministry through our church.

METHOD OF GIVING

RECURRING GIFT – Resurrection uses an online giving platform, accessible at cor.org/give, which allows you to set up your own self-managed giving schedule. You determine the amount, frequency and payment method – bank account or credit card. (Credit card payments add processing fees for the church up to 3%.)

CASH OR CHECK – You may use the envelopes available in worship to return your gift during the offering time, or mail to: The United Methodist Church of the Resurrection, 13720 Roe Ave., Leawood, KS 66224.

CONTINUE ELECTRONIC FUND TRANSFER – If you are currently set up on EFT with the church for 2017 Annual Giving, you may select this option on your 2018 commitment card to continue giving by EFT.

APPRECIATED STOCK or Qualified Charitable Distributions are also giving options. Contact the Finance Department at 913-232-4118.

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

Annual Giving and commitment card

Resurrection Finance Office, 913-232-4171

Generosity and Stewardship Ministry and financial management resources

cor.org/stewardship, Rev. Clayton Smith, 913-544-0242 or clayton.smith@cor.org

Resurrection Foundation and planned, legacy giving

cor.org/foundation, Rev. Clayton Smith, 913-544-0242 or clayton.smith@cor.org

Prayer and support if you are experiencing financial hardship

Resurrection Pastoral Care, 913-897-0120

GUIDE TO giving

The United Methodist Church of the Resurrection

WORSHIP

At Resurrection, we believe that returning a portion of our income to God is an act of worship. It is an expression of our love for God and a step of faith.

STEWARDSHIP

Supporting the church financially is one of the expectations of membership at Resurrection. We don't tell you how much you should give, but our hope is that you are giving regularly and working toward the tithe – identified in the Bible as 10% of your income.

MINISTRY

Annual giving by our congregation makes mission and ministry possible at Resurrection. Your gifts provide life-changing worship and congregational care, opportunities for all ages to learn and grow in faith, and mission ministries that are transforming our community and world.

Annual Giving Commitments can be made online at
COR.ORG/COMMITMENT

or by returning your commitment card to the church in worship or by mail.

MONTHLY GIVING AS A PERCENTAGE OF INCOME

Annual Income	11%	10%	8%	5%	3%	2%	1%
5,000	46	42	33	21	13	8	4
10,000	92	83	67	42	25	17	8
30,000	275	250	200	125	75	50	25
50,000	458	417	333	208	125	83	42
80,000	733	667	533	333	200	133	67
100,000	917	833	667	417	250	167	83
125,000	1,146	1,042	833	521	313	208	104
150,000	1,375	1,250	1,000	625	375	250	125
200,000	1,833	1,667	1,333	833	500	333	167
300,000	2,750	2,500	2,000	1,250	750	500	250
500,000	4,583	4,167	3,333	2,083	1,250	833	417

STEP 1

If you are not regularly giving to your church, make a commitment to giving at least \$5 per week (\$20 per month) and return a 2018 Annual Giving Commitment Card.

STEP 2

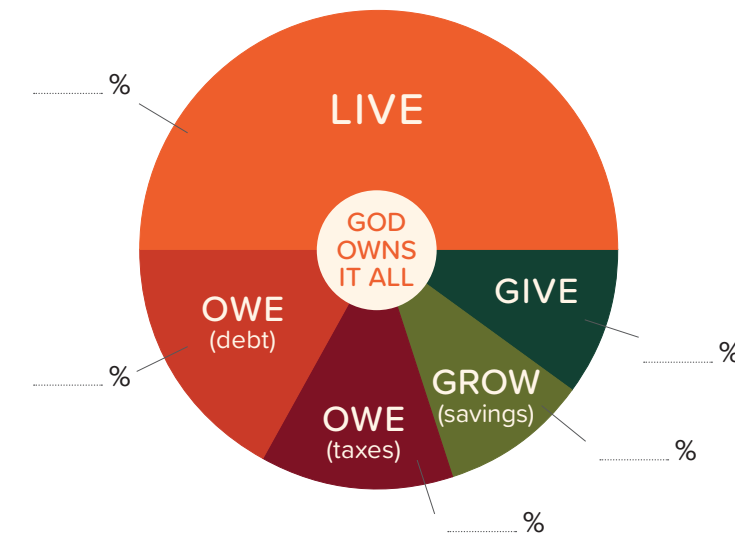
Commit to increasing your giving for 2018 by 1% to 3% of your income, as you move toward the goal of giving the tithe, 10% of your income, and return a 2018 Annual Giving Commitment Card.

STEP 3

If you are giving the tithe, 10% of your income, thank you for your faithfulness. Please return your 2018 Annual Commitment Card and prayerfully consider increasing your commitment by 1% to 3% to help your church take advantage of the opportunities before us.

MONEY MANAGEMENT PRIORITIES

There are five simultaneous competing priorities for the use of money. Identify your current reality by determining the percentages of your pie (income). To calculate, record the following amounts and divide each by your income. Look at your current percentages. Where would you like to adjust your percentage?



Income: \$ _____
 Give: \$ _____ Grow (Savings): \$ _____
 Owe (Debt): \$ _____ Owe (Taxes): \$ _____
 Live*: \$ _____

*Live = Income – (Give + Owe Debt + Owe Taxes + Grow)

This financial management tool is provided by the Ron Blue Institute. Go to www.ronblueinstitute.com/fourhtool for an online calculator.