

Dear Friends,

The Thornhill Lutheran Church Endowment Fund is a wonderful gift for us and future generations. With God's grace, it will open new doors of service and opportunity. Please consider including the fund in your offerings and estate planning.

As Christians, we have a need to respond to God's love and mercy. Your gift to the Thornhill Lutheran Church Endowment Fund is a gift to the future of our church.

"You may be rich in every way so that you can be generous on every occasion, and through us your generosity will result in thanksgiving to God."

2 Corinthians 9:11

In Christ's name,

The Rev. Sebastian Meadows-Helmer

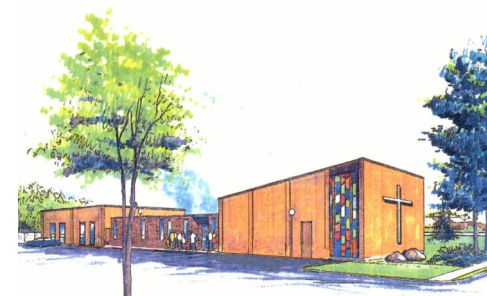
PURPOSE:

The earnings from the Endowment Fund shall be used in a manner to confess and proclaim Jesus Christ as the Head of the church; God's people, called into being by the Holy Spirit. The actions and missions in the disbursement of this fund should bear witness to the growth in Christian fellowship.

BENEFITS:

There are a number of benefits in having an Endowment Fund. The fund is to enhance the mission of our church apart from the general operations of the congregation. The fund generates an ongoing source of income which enables the people of God at Thornhill Lutheran Church to expand and continue their vision of stewardship and support thereby allowing the congregation to respond to important needs and exciting ventures. A gift to the fund is an act of estate stewardship, reflecting the life of a faithful steward. Such a gift, whether given during one's lifetime or through one's estate, is especially satisfying to the giver, in that it continues to serve the purposes and people of our Lord Jesus Christ as long as His church shall stand. As a further practical matter, federal law encourages charitable giving. Including the fund in your offering and estate planning makes it possible to contribute gifts that would otherwise be spent on taxes. For more information about the Endowment Fund or Estate Planning, please fill out the attached form and mail it to church, or call the church office at 905-889-0873.

THORNHILL LUTHERAN CHURCH



LEAVE A LEGACY...

**FROM ONE
GENERATION...**

TO THE NEXT

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THE THORNHILL LUTHERAN CHURCH ENDOWMENT FUND:

The Thornhill Lutheran Endowment Fund, established in 2004, accepts gifts and bequests, which it places into various investments. Only earnings generated by these investments are used to provide a permanent source of income to the church. This income is then in turn used to assist causes which reflect the Lord's love of all people.

Members of Council and the Endowment Fund Committee will be happy to answer your questions on its current funding priorities



THE STRUCTURE OF THE FUND:

The Thornhill Lutheran Endowment Fund Committee is the custodian of the investments. This committee consists of three members of the congregation and the serving treasurer and pastor. The activities of this committee are subject to a set of by-laws available for review in the church office. The church invites suggestions for the use of the fund's support.

The donations are invested with the long-term interest of the congregation in mind. Income is generated from the Endowment principal. This income is in turn used to fund the various programs as required. The principal remains intact; thereby leaving a legacy for future generations.

SOURCES OF FUNDING:

Everyone can contribute gifts of any size to the Thornhill Lutheran Endowment Fund.

Cash

Memorializing or honouring someone or something with gifts of cash

Bequests

Remembering the fund in estate planning

Insurance

Naming the fund as the beneficiary of an insurance policy

Real Estate / Personal Property

Giving gifts of property

Securities

Giving securities to the fund

HELPING TO BUILD A LEGACY

I would like to discuss the following:

- Making a gift of cash to the fund.
- Transferring or purchasing a life insurance policy for the fund.
- Making a gift of real estate, personal property or securities.
- Including the Fund in my will or trust (estate planning).

I am including a cash gift of

\$ _____.

*Please make cheques payable to
Thornhill Lutheran Church, with the Memo:
Endowment Fund.*

Gifts to the Endowment Fund are tax deductible.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Home Phone: _____

Work Phone: _____

Date: _____

Return to:

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