

What Else Should I Know?

If you have named CELC in your planned giving, please let Pastor Jeff Gallen know so that we can welcome you as a Legacy Circle member.

There is no need to share your legal documents, although providing the name of your executor can help your wishes be carried out smoothly.

It is always wise to consult an estate planning attorney when drafting your will or trust. In legal documents, please include: Christ Evangelical Lutheran Church, Inc., our address, and our federal tax identification number: 861000340.

Need Help?

Pastor Jeff as well as Elizabeth Banta are happy to discuss CELC's Legacy Circle, and can link you with professionals to assist you.

Your gift of any size is welcome! Including CELC will demonstrate your values to your loved ones. You do not have to be wealthy or change your lifestyle to make a difference.

CELC is a Christian fellowship reaching out to all people so that they might experience God's love for them.

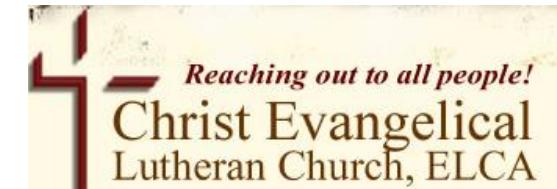
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Give for the Future...

*Become a CELC
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God's work. Our hands.

CELC's Legacy Circle

You joyously are part of Christ Evangelical Lutheran Church today. Consider carrying on your legacy of faithfulness to help people discover God's love well into the future. One way to achieve that includes making a planned gift to Christ Evangelical Lutheran Church (CELC).

CELC's Legacy Circle honors all caring individuals who have included our church in their planned giving. Legacy Circle members' foresight will help our powerful mission flourish – thus changing lives well into the future.

Legacy Circle gifts will be used to create three-way impact, as follows (unless you instruct otherwise):

- 1) To grow CELC's endowment fund. Endowment funds are invested and create an ongoing source of funding to support vital projects and future ministries (50%).
- 2) To help retire CELC's mortgage, ultimately freeing funds to carry out more ministry (25%).
- 3) To bring current mission initiatives to life (25%).

As a CELC Legacy Circle Member, you will receive:

- A certificate signifying membership.
- Inclusion in our church's tree of life - a symbol of God's abundance.
- Deep satisfaction from acting upon your commitment to your faith.



Ways to Join our Legacy Circle

Choose one of the following options to become part of our caring circle, while also meeting your goals. You may:

- Name CELC as a beneficiary in your will or trust. This may be a dollar amount; a predetermined percentage, such as 10%; or a residuary amount or percentage.

- Name CELC as a full or partial beneficiary of your IRA (individual retirement account) or 401(K). This simple step may help your heirs avoid income and estate taxes.
- Name CELC as owner of a new life insurance policy, or full or partial beneficiary of a new or existing policy. You may be able to make a sizable gift and receive favorable tax benefits.
- You may gift all or part of your primary or vacation home. You may continue to use the property for as long as you wish.
- Name CELC as the beneficiary of a charitable gift annuity, which provides you with income, is easy to set up, and brings favorable tax treatment.
- You may also make an outright gift to CELC's endowment fund. You will receive immediate tax benefits. Your gift will make a difference for generations to come, and you see the results during your lifetime. Gifts may include cash, appreciated securities and real estate.