

Other Questions

Can I make a bequest in my will?

Yes. Please speak with our Treasurer for further information.

Can I make one-off donations for particular projects or ministries?

Yes. If giving electronically, simply label the transaction accordingly. If giving directly during the Sunday collection, it may be easiest to put that donation in a clearly marked envelope.

How do I know how CPC's money is being used?

An annual financial report and budget is presented and approved by the congregation at the Annual Congregational Meeting. You may also direct such questions to our Committee of Management or even attend a meeting at any time. We also ask that you please join with us in praying that our resources will be used in a wise way that glorifies the Lord and helps advance His kingdom.

We are a family in Christ who through our relationship with Him and love of His word reach out to all people.

Guidelines for Giving



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Why should I give?

Every Christian should give financially to his or her own church. Very simply, money is needed for the expenses and ministries of Caringbah Presbyterian Church (CPC), and the congregation is the key source of this income. But an even bigger reason is that every Christian has already tasted the overwhelming generosity of God. In His great love for us, He paid the price of the death of His only Son, in order to give us the gift of salvation.

How much should I give?

A wise way to decide upon an amount to give can be found by listening to the apostle Paul's helpful guidelines in 2 Corinthians 8 and 9. He tells us to give deliberately, using the example of the poor Macedonian church who pleaded for the privilege of giving to the struggling church in Jerusalem (8:1-4). He tells us to give remembering first what Jesus has done for us (8:5, 8-9). He tells us to give with an eye to equality, that finances may be spread and shared across the body of Christ (8:13-15). And finally, he tells us that we should give generously, according to our

means and heart. 2 Corinthians 9:6-7 says:

Remember this: Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows generously will also reap generously. Each man should give what he has decided in his heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.

So in the end, there is no dollar amount set in Scripture! The best practice is to give according to these principles.

Please also note that while we are free from fixed percentages such as a 10% tithe, that amount may be a good place to start for some.

Where does my money go?

Income received by CPC is used for gospel work or expenses that allow us to continue with such ministry. Some examples are the minister's stipend, theological students, our contribution to the Ministry Development Program of the wider church, missions work, our ministries, training, evangelism, buildings, office expenses, rates, electricity, and insurance.

How do I give?

There are a number of ways of giving to CPC:

Electronic Funds Transfer

The best (and preferred) way of giving is through electronic funds transfer. This allows you to schedule regular payments from your bank account directly to the church. This can be easily set up through online banking, or you can speak with our Treasurer for further advice.

Please label your transaction with the wording "freewill offering" or similar, and use the following details:

Account Name: Caringbah Presbyterian Church General Account
Number: 00900330
BSB: 062136

Cash / Cheque

You can also give directly when the collection is taken up at our Sunday services. Either cash or cheques (made out to "Caringbah Presbyterian Church") can be used.