

## What type of modern giving is possible other than personal check?

If you have a checking account at the

**Dysart State Bank:** Reta Callahan, the financial secretary, can create a deposit ticket for you to the Dysart State Bank, where the DUMC accounts are held. All she needs to know is

1. The amount you want to give
2. How often you want to give
3. And last four digits of your account number

Reta has a form for you to complete—just stop and see her or email her at the church office that you would like to this type of giving. There is no charge to you or the church for this method.

The amount you give will be included in that week's giving information on the bulletin insert.

**Any other bank:** If your bank has bill pay, go online or to the bank office and set up a payment to the Dysart United Methodist Church. You will need to know

1. The date and the amount you want to come out of your account.
2. The address of the church where the bank check will be sent.

The bank check will come in the mail a few days after the date the amount is taken out of your account. Your check will then be shown on the money counter's sheet on the following Sunday.

Please let Reta know that you will do this so she can anticipate the check coming in the mail. There is no charge to you or the church for this method.

**PayPal:** If you have a PayPal account you can send a donation through this method as well. An account has been set up with PayPal for the Dysart United Methodist Church.

1. Determine the amount you want to give.
2. Set up your PayPal payment through your PayPal account to DUMC or
  - a. go to the church's website [dysartumc.org](http://dysartumc.org)
  - b. Choose Options under the Giving link
  - c. Click the "Donate" button and follow the screens
3. There is no charge to the church; however, the amount you give will be assessed 2.9% plus \$.30, which means the church will receive that much less than the amount you give.

Again, let Reta know you plan to use this method. Of course all information is confidential



## Why consistent giving through a modern method?

1. Ministries of the church can continue on a consistent basis; such as Sunday School, missions, intergenerational activities, Bible studies. Check out the various photos in this pamphlet! Your consistent giving maintain these ministries.
2. It is easier. Checkbooks or giving envelopes can be forgotten, but the giving is already there.
3. Less paperwork. Less giving envelopes would need to be purchased out of church funds.
4. Checkbooks might be obsolete in just a few years.

## Why do I need to return an estimate of giving card?

There are two reasons why it is important that every member of the Dysart United Methodist Church family return an estimate of giving card.

**First,** the process of prayerfully asking God to guide your decision and then making a commitment to serve the Lord with your financial gifts is an act of worship, an expression of gratitude and praise to God.

**Second,** on a more practical note, your commitment allows your church to plan and prioritize our ministries key objectives, and mission outreach programs through the operating budget.

## What if financial hardship prohibits me from making a commitment this year?

Don't let your inability to give at this time keep you from worship. Remember that God honors your faithfulness and that your acceptance to the Dysart United Methodist Church is not based upon your capacity to give.

We ask that everyone return an estimate of giving card even if it is a limited financial commitment at this time. You can also increase or decrease your commitment if your situation changes by calling the church office.

Also, be sure to let our pastoral staff know of your situation so that they can pray for and support you during any difficulty.

## In All Things Give Thanks

Generosity, returning a portion of our financial blessings to God, is an important part of our spiritual journey.

For many, this has been a financially challenging year, yet through our financial commitments, we can engage in an act of worship, thanking God for our blessings and acknowledging that everything we have is a gift from God.

We confidently commit to “giving thanks both as individuals and as a church by faithfully investing in God’s work through our church and our ministries. Even in times of uncertainty, we stand firm on the promise God’s grace will surround us (2 Corinthians 8:12).

And, we approach the coming year with hope and joy, living the promise of Acts 20:35- “It is more blessed to give than to receive.”



### **To whom much has been given . . .**

*“From everyone who has been given much, much will be demanded; and from the one who has been entrusted with much, much more will be asked.”*

*--Luke 12:48*

## What is expected of me?

The Bible teaches us to give a tithe, or the first 10 percent of what we earn, to God and the church’s work.

For some, giving one tenth is a very difficult goal. For others, it is the starting point, and their giving far exceeds 10 percent.

The important thing is that you start somewhere, that your giving be in proportion to your income, that your giving reflects an appropriate offering to God given your means, and that your offerings express both your desire to serve the Lord and your investment in God’s work.

Begin by determining that percentage of your income you are giving to God. If you are not yet tithing, consider taking a step toward tithing this year.

For example, if you now give three percent of your income, consider increasing your gift to four percent, and one percent more each year until you reach the tithing goal.

Our prayer is that everyone will grow in his/her faith through giving financially to the ministries of the church and experience the joy and blessings that come from financial generosity.

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### Giving Guide

