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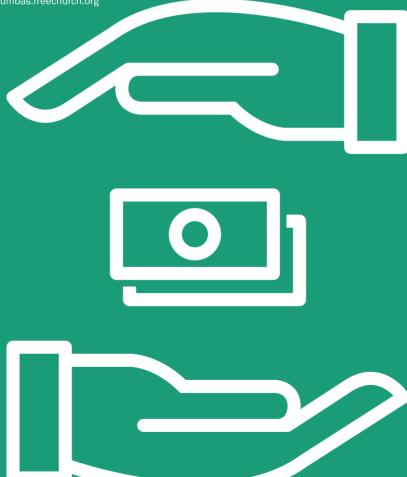
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GIVING



The Grace of Giving

As Christians we have received eternal life. We've been rescued, we are loved, led, protected, provided for and we belong. God is our perfectly good, holy and loving Father. Even in the struggles, tears and fear, He will strengthen, comfort and heal. We have been freely given everything we need for life and eternity. That is grace!

In response to this great and undeserved love and mercy, the outworking of our faith involves the giving of our time and gifts in practical service and, as we are able, to support the work of Christ's Kingdom financially through our material riches (or even poverty like the widow's offering in Luke's Gospel). All gifts, whatever their size, contribute to the building of the Kingdom.

We support ministry staff at St Columba's and are committed to resourcing church planting in the city. We have a growing budget to finance the ongoing life and work of the congregation, support wider mission at home and abroad, ministry and training in the wider Free Church and our social responsibility in the city. Our church building is also costly to maintain and develop.

How to Give

We warmly welcome donations of any kind: by standing order, in weekly giving envelopes, by loose cash, cheques or charity vouchers put in the Offerings Box which can be found at the main entrance area of the church.

As part of this booklet, there are standing order and gift aid declaration forms. If you wish to give regularly by standing order, please complete the standing order mandate and return that page directly to your bank/building society. Alternatively, use the bank details on the mandate to set up a standing order using online banking.

If you wish to give by the weekly envelope scheme, please speak to our treasurer Donna Macleod (0131 225 3505 weekday afternoons) or email her (finance@stcolumbas.freechurch.org)

Gift Aid

If you pay tax, at no extra cost to yourself, the church can claim an extra Z25% of your donations from HMRC if you sign the gift aid declaration form enclosed and return it to the treasurer or church office.

Verses to Consider:

Generosity: Romans 12:8

If it is to encourage, then give encouragement; if it is giving, then give generously; if it is to lead, do it diligently; if it is to show mercy, do it cheerfully.

Regularly: 1 Corinthians 16:2

On the first day of every week, each one of you should set aside a sum of money in keeping with your income, saving it up, so that when I come no collections will have to be made.

Cheerfully: 2 Corinthians 9:6-7

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

Proportionally: Acts 11:29

The disciples, as each one was able, decided to provide help for the brothers and sisters living in Judea.