

LEAVING A LEGACY FOR THE FUTURE

As you know, the time is drawing near for us to work with our architect and begin putting our dreams and ideas down on paper. How exciting this time is for those of us that have watched the planning process from the very beginning! From the day we voted to look for property to engaging the architect, we have been preparing our hearts and minds on creating a new "living temple" - a holy space in which to build God's kingdom, not just for those of us here and now but for future generations.

In order to implement that vision, we are going to embark on a journey that will enable us to build on our dreams - both literally and figuratively. The details of the journey will be forthcoming, but for now there are a few simple things I urge you to consider. First, will you ensure that your loved ones are going to be taken care of in the future by creating a legal will or estate plan? These documents are very important to your family's future security, as well as ensuring your legacy is left the way you desire. Second, I encourage you to include Trinity in your estate plans so you can ensure that you and your family will be a part of the ***TUMC Legacy***.

How – you may ask? There are many ways – too many to describe here. But while estate planning may seem complicated, I promise you that by doing something as simple as adding a codicil to your will or adding the church as a beneficiary on your retirement plan you can make a considerable contribution to Trinity UMC that will have a great and positive impact. It's easier than you think. Once you inform your legal and financial advisors about your intentions, they will help and guide you the rest of the way.

Please let either Pastor Brian or me know if you have already included the church in your will or estate plan, or if you will be making new plans to leave a legacy gift to Trinity. We are planning to establish a "Legacy" program to recognize and celebrate those saints that have already supported the church with a planned gift and we want to make sure YOU are included.

Thanks for your consideration and bless you for caring about our beloved Trinity!

Grace and Peace,

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