



Sunday LIFT - Intergenerational Faith Formation

HOW TO DONATE

Donations may be in the form of cash or check; securities, such as stocks, mutual funds, bonds, real estate; or other property. In addition, individuals with retirement accounts may be able to make gifts from their required minimum distributions tax-free.

GIVING THROUGH YOUR WILL

Members and friends are encouraged to remember Plymouth Church in their wills and estate plans. These special gifts are a meaningful way to extend your support of the church by endowing your bequest. A percentage of the investment earnings of your gift will go each year to the work of Plymouth Church for future generations, while also preserving the value of your original gift's principal and its growth.

Bequests may be in the form of a cash gift, securities, a percentage of the residual estate, or in the form of real property. Bequests can also be readily directed to Plymouth from life insurance policies, IRAs, and other retirement funds by naming Plymouth as a beneficiary.



Intergenerational Worship

FOR MORE INFORMATION

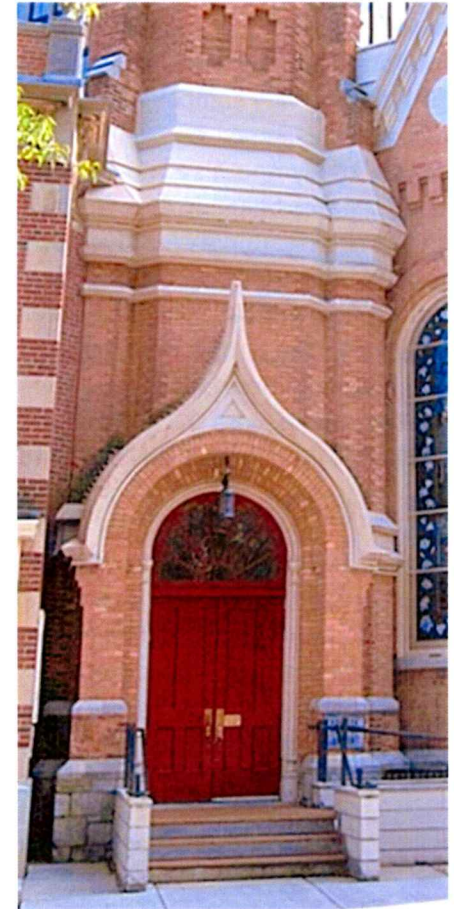
about the Endowment Fund or bequest planning, please contact the pastor, or a member of the Endowment Committee.

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*"Therefore, as we have opportunity,
let us do good to all people..."*
-- Galatians 6:10 (NIV)

The Endowment Fund



Plymouth
Congregational Church
United Church of Christ

Syracuse, NY

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ENHANCING PLYMOUTH'S MINISTRY

The Plymouth Congregational Church Endowment Fund was established in 1995 with \$50,000 raised during the church's 140th anniversary campaign. The fund has been substantially augmented since its inception with designated (donor-restricted) and non-designated (donor non-restricted) contributions from members, and a portion of the 150th anniversary campaign.

The purpose of Plymouth's Endowment Fund is to provide a stable financial base from which is generated ongoing support for Plymouth's facilities and ministries beyond what is received through annual giving and other periodic giving. The people of Plymouth are the church's most important assets, and as such are the source, with the guiding grace of God, of Plymouth's financial strength and stability.

Plymouth's Endowment Fund serves as a perpetual vehicle to fulfill the dreams and visions of the congregation and its members both now and in the years to come.

"Pray for the hungry, Then, feed the hungry. That's how prayer works."

---Pope Francis



Plymouth's Choir

HOW IT WORKS

Plymouth's Endowment Fund is a restricted fund in which the principal is held and invested in perpetuity. Each year on December 31 the fund is revalued, and a portion (usually 4%-6%) of the fund's value is distributed during the course of the following year to support Plymouth Congregational Church's ministries as well as its physical maintenance and repair.



Plymouth ROCKS at the CNY Diaper Bank
(Justice and Outreach Ministry)

PRIORITIES OF THE FUND

Under the direction of the Board of Trustees and the Endowment Committee, distributions from Plymouth's Endowment Fund support the programs and ministries of the church, including:

- Encouraging church growth and vitality
- Enhancing Christian education, worship, and music
- Supporting local and global ministries
- Maintaining the church building and sanctuary



Plymouth's Food Pantry

HOW YOU CAN SUPPORT PLYMOUTH'S ENDOWMENT FUND

Plymouth members and friends may at any time make contributions to Plymouth's Endowment Fund. Endowment gifts provide the donor with the satisfaction that her/his/their gift will keep on giving, providing a legacy of lasting support that will bless others for years to come through Plymouth's ministries.

Gifts in memory of or in honor of loved ones can also be designated to the Endowment Fund and offer a meaningful way to express loving sentiments to others who have touched the donors' lives.

There are also opportunities to establish permanent named (donor-restricted) funds within Plymouth's Endowment Fund to support a specific program or the general ministries of the church. Subject to approval by the Board of Trustees, named funds may be established with a minimum gift of \$10,000, and may be added to at any time by the donor or others. Members and friends who have made dedicated and/or planned giving decisions are encouraged to notify the Endowment Committee and Board of Trustees of these plans. This would in no way be a contract until legally established, but a way for these church officers just to be aware for the future.