

Giving from  
the Spirit  
2018



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Stephen's font*

St. Stephen's  
Episcopal  
Church

In response to the abundant blessings God has given us, my (our) financial pledge for 2018:

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

I pledge \$ \_\_\_\_\_ per (Week / Month / Quarter / Annually)

for a total of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ for the year of 2018.

Signature (s) \_\_\_\_\_

If your address information is new or changed, please fill in the appropriate lines:

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: (home) \_\_\_\_\_ ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

If you wish to make you donations by Credit Card (optional), please complete the following Authorization for Automatic Deductions. Please keep in mind that each credit card transaction costs St. Stephen's 3% and adjust accordingly.

I hereby authorize St. Stephen's Episcopal Church to receive the donation from me, listed above, via automatic charges to my credit card beginning \_\_\_\_\_ (month/year)

VISA \_\_\_\_\_ MASTERCARD \_\_\_\_\_ AMERICAN EXPRESS \_\_\_\_\_

Card # \_\_\_\_\_ Exp Date \_\_\_\_\_ CRV# \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

If you have questions about setting up your Credit Card donations, please feel free to call Neil Munson at St. Stephen's Office 206-522-7144.



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## Instructions for completing your St. Stephen's 2018 Pledge Form

Take your time to think and pray about your blessings and what your financial commitment could be.

Fill in the change of address and Credit Card payment forms, as appropriate.

- Fill out and sign the Pledge form
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- Mail the Pledge Form back to St. Stephen's using the enclosed pre-paid envelope.

Please remember that a Stewardship pledge is a statement of intention, not a firm contract. We ask that you be intentional in your giving and set a goal that fully reflects how God has blessed you. Please consider increasing your pledge this year over last year. In our tradition, we cannot escape the biblical standard of the tithe, or 10% of your family income, but neither do we expect most of our people to be at this level. Some of our families tithe, but also many families find themselves at a proportional giving level of 2%, 3%, or 5%. We would encourage these persons and families to keep the tithe in mind and make it a long term, or life goal. It can be a very satisfying thing to give consciously and generously to a spiritual community so very dedicated to its mission, ministry and our everyday lives. As a guide, sample pledges by income and percentage are given below.

Sample Pledges by Percentage and Income (Weekly / Monthly / Annually)			
Annual Income	Tithing 10%	Proportional 5%	Proportional 3%
\$25,000	\$48 / \$208 / \$2,500	\$24 / \$104 / \$1,250	\$14 / \$63 / \$750
\$50,000	\$96 / \$417 / \$5,000	\$48 / \$208 / \$2,500	\$29 / \$125 / \$1,500
\$75,000	\$144 / \$625 / \$7,500	\$72 / \$313 / \$3,750	\$43 / \$188 / \$2,250
\$100,000	\$192 / \$833 / \$10,000	\$96 / \$417 / \$5,000	\$58 / \$250 / \$3,000
\$150,000	\$288 / \$1,250 / \$15,000	\$144 / \$625 / \$7,500	\$87 / \$375 / \$4,500
\$200,000	\$385 / \$1,667 / \$20,000	\$192 / \$833 / \$10,000	\$115 / \$500 / \$6,000