



O gracious God, who generously lavishes our lives with goodness, create in our hearts a deep center of gratitude, a center that grows so strong in its thanksgiving that sharing freely of our treasures becomes the pattern of our existence. Remind us often of how much you cherish us, of how abundantly you have offered gifts to us, especially in the hours of our greatest need. May we always be grateful for your reaching into our lives with surprises of joy, growth, and unconditional love. Amen. (Sisters of Charity)

Name _____

Address _____

Email (for each adult) _____

Home Phone _____

Work Phone (for each adult) Mobile (for each adult)

With Thanksgiving to God and to support the Mission of Grace and Holy Trinity Church in 2017 my/our intention is to give: \$_____ per week / month / year. (*circle one*)

I/We would like to be reminded of my commitment on (date): _____

I/We would like offering envelopes. Yes _____ No _____

I would like information on opportunities to give of my time and talent. Yes _____ No _____

One way to ensure the future of Grace & Holy Trinity Church is through a planned gift to the church or the Endowment Fund.

_____ I/We have included GHTC in my will.

_____ Please send me/us information about planned giving at GHTC.

Methods of Payment:

- **Pay online at ghtc.org** using your credit or debit card.
- **Automatic Bank Transfer or recurring payments** that you set up through your bank.
- **Cash or check in the offering plate.** (In order to receive tax credit for your gift, you must use a check or place your cash in an envelope with your name on it.)
- **An appreciated stock transfer.**

Signature:

 Please return by November 13, 2016.

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“I love this church more every day. We are at the center of what is happening in Richmond, and we have the hope and ability to make it happen.” (A GHTC Parishioner)

Here in this church community, across Richmond, and in Belize lives are transformed and strengthened thanks to the generosity of time, talents, and financial support from people just like YOU.

Take a look at just a few of the great things happening here:

- Boomers and Better group, after having talked with the church community, are now planning special programs and events. One will be on October 23 when they'll join with our youth groups to offer a class on “How to use your smart phone.” This type of intergenerational program is near and dear to the heart of GHTC.
- The Pastoral Care team is now sending birthday cards to those over 70; they also prepare and take meals to those who are sick or shut-in.
- 11 of our teens went on a pilgrimage to Belize in July, and then were part of the mission week's camp.
- Our 20's and 30's group will join the youth group on Sundays for some weeks so that relationships are built between the youth and that group.
- The 20's-30's group takes meals to families with new babies; a gift to the newly engaged; reaches out to those experiencing grief; meets regularly for fellowship; and are planning a Bible study group.
- We offer Christian Formation each Sunday and throughout the week for people of all ages; 16 people have volunteered to teach in our children's program; the Sunday adult forum will offer seminars including a series on the 3 Abrahamic faiths with leaders from the Muslim and Jewish communities.
- Our stellar music program involves over 90 people in 4 choirs and music teams. In addition to uplifting weekly worship we also enjoy the concert series and being the rehearsal home of the premier children's choir in the metro Richmond area, the Greater Richmond Children's Choir.
- Our location provides great opportunities for outreach including:
 - Our Episcopal Campus Ministry Program at VCU with 5:00 p.m. Sunday worship and other programs throughout the week
 - Our Red Door ministries of worship, soup kitchen, clothes closet, and prescription ministry reach over 120 people each week.
 - Summer Camp on the Hill serves the children in Richmond's East End for 3 week's every summer.
- The International Missionary Society sponsored 2 trips to Belize:
 - The March trip involved 17 parishioners and dental staff and 8 members of our VCU Campus Ministry program. Construction work enclosed 2 acres around the school at Calla Creek with a chain link fence. The dental team provided services to 95 children; The vision team to 505 students.
 - July 2016 trip involved 36 participants and offered an Art, Music, and Sports camp for 130 children.
- “Breaking the Cycle of Poverty” initiative meets monthly and is composed of representatives from GHTC and other area churches and synagogues. “Circles USA” has been chosen as the program they will work with.

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