

The First Presbyterian Church *in the City of New York*

Did You Know?

There are many different ways you can contribute to First Church.

Here at First Church, we offer several different contribution options. Beyond the traditional cash and checks (for which we are immensely grateful), other options include credit card (via our new membership database portal), PayPal, donated securities, direct distributions from retirement accounts, and planned giving. Also be mindful, your employer may offer workplace giving or matching gifts to double your impact.

Membership Database Portal

In June 2019, First Church launched its new membership database. The new database offers each member their own personal login. Once logged in, you can review your personal information and giving history. As well, you can contribute to the Church directly through the portal by indicating what amount you are contributing and providing your credit card details. The contribution will automatically be reflected on your account. If you have not yet registered your membership account in the dataset, please go to the following link and click “start here” to create a new account:

<https://app.etapestry.com/hosted/TheFirstPresbyterianChurchint/donorLogin/Login.php>

PayPal

If you are a congregant, the membership portal is the recommended option for electronic payments, but First Church also accepts contributions through PayPal. Automatic and one-time payments can be facilitated through PayPal, via credit card or direct withdrawal from your bank account. *You must register for a PayPal account to use this option.* First Church’s direct PayPal link can be found here: www.paypal.me/fpcnyc

Donated Securities

Donating long-term appreciated securities to First Church in lieu of cash can be a way to avoid paying tax on capital gains while also contributing to First Church. By doing so, your charitable donation is recognized as the current market value of the stock, with no recognition of gain or loss on the security holding.

Please consult your own investment advisor for further information. When contributing securities to First Church, please contact the Business Office for complete instructions at fpcbo@fpcnyc.org.

Direct Distributions from Retirement Accounts

If you are of the age when you are mandated to draw required minimum distributions from your retirement account, you can elect to have all or a portion of the distribution sent to First Church. This is called a qualified charitable distribution. A qualified charitable distribution will satisfy your distribution requirement as well as provide a contribution to the Church, which may result in a favorable tax benefit. Please consult your financial advisor for more information.

Planned Giving

Please keep First Church in mind when planning your estate. We encourage you to consult with a trusts and estates attorney to optimize your planned giving alternatives.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact the Business Office:

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