

## **Year-End Giving**

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### **Important tax tips**

To ensure the deductibility of your church contributions, please do not file your 2019 income tax return until you have received a written acknowledgment of your contributions from the church. Some of your contributions may not be tax-deductible if you file your tax return before receiving this written acknowledgement. To qualify for a 2019 tax-deductible stock gift, be sure your stockbroker/advisor has initiated the transfer of shares to Plymouth's account by Dec. 31, 2019.

### **Year-end contributions**

The Accounting Department will gladly receive your year-end contributions through Dec 31. However, the church office will close early—at noon—on Dec. 31, so please consider bringing your year-end gifts in early. IRS regulations state that gifts must be postmarked or received by Dec. 31 in order to receive 2019 tax credit. Please clearly mark your envelope “2019” for these year-end gifts. We are unable to give 2019 tax credit for checks that are “pre-dated” and are not received by the church or postmarked by December 31. If you have any questions, contact Joy Hansen at 612-977-1265 or [joyh@plymouth.org](mailto:joyh@plymouth.org).

Have you considered the tax benefits of giving appreciated stock to fulfill or increase your 2019 Pledge and/or Capital Campaign pledge? The process is really simple! Please contact Joy Hansen at 612-977-1265 or [joyh@plymouth.org](mailto:joyh@plymouth.org), or check our website: [www.plymouth.org/act/give-2/](http://www.plymouth.org/act/give-2/). Scroll down to “Gifts of Stock.” Plymouth's account number with Charles Schwab is #3429-0850, DTC #0164.

### **To view your pledge or giving:**

Log into your account:

- Please go to the Plymouth website (<http://www.plymouth.org>).
- Select “ACT” then click on “Member Login”
- On the page that opens, enter your email or user name and your password.
- You'll be taken to your overview page.

View your pledge or giving:

- From your overview page, find the “My Giving Summary” section.
- Click the “My Giving History” or “My Pledge History” link.

### **You can give online, too!**

Please see our [giving tips for instructions](#) for online giving. You can give a one-time gift or set up a profile and designate a recurrent gift. It's that simple. If you have any questions, please contact Joy Hansen.

### **You may give via text:**

Just text to make pledge payments or to give to Plymouth's operating fund. Text 612-999-2874. The first time only, you will see a form requesting contact and credit card information. You may give one time or set up a recurring payment.

Thank you for your generosity and faithfulness to Plymouth Congregational Church!