

## WHAT IS A PLEDGE AND WHY SHOULD I MAKE A PLEDGE TO THE CHURCH?

A pledge is a statement of what you intend to give to the church next year. It may be changed or cancelled anytime as your circumstances dictate. So why make one?

First of all, we pledge because we know we are called to make a commitment to the God who loves us beyond measure and has given us so much. We plan for many events in our lives... How can we commit to so many other things and not plan our commitment to Jesus Christ? A pledge is born out of thanksgiving and Christian responsibility and is a tangible reminder of God's grace and our response.

Secondly, we pledge in order to help our church plan for her ministry and use her gifts and resources effectively. In regard to financial contributions and planning, this church believes in being responsible, accountable, faithful, and systematic. A pledge to this church helps us plan effectively to carry out the call and challenge of Jesus Christ. If we can anticipate our resources, we can plan our actions.

Please pray about it, and carefully consider a pledge to support the 2021-22 budget of our church. It is an important step for you, and a wonderful way to support this congregation. Please note that all pledges stay confidential between the donor and the church finance office. Thank you for your prayerful consideration.