

WE ARE STEWARDS OF GOD'S GRACE



Since each one of you has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as stewards of God's multidimensional grace.

1 Peter 4:10

CONTRIBUTE YOUR TALENT

Would you consider contributing your expertise, skills and talents to Met? Here are some of the programs where you can help, with more ideas to be found on your Estimate of Giving form.

- Community Meal Program
- Sunday Mornings
- Peace, Social Justice, Truth and Reconciliation
- Communications and Technology
- Faith Formation
- Caring for Others
- Hospitality

THE FOUR Ts

Talents, time, treasure and truth: these four "Ts" are key aspects of every one of us and reflect a way in which we can consider how best to support our church. Stewardship month is a good time to reflect on each of these.

TALENTS

- Do I see a need at Met that isn't being addressed?
- Do I have skills that would help Met to thrive?
- Do I want to feel more a part of Met's community?

TIME

- Could I set aside a small amount of time to help make a difference at Met?
- Could I find the time to make my connection with Met more meaningful?
- Could I find a way to be more involved that fits my schedule?
- Could I help someone feel more welcomed at Met?

TREASURE

- Can I share more of my financial resources to ensure a secure future for Metropolitan?
- Can I give to Met in the way that I support other charities?
- Am I willing to make Metropolitan my charity of choice?

TRUTH

- Could I speak to my friends and family about how much my church community means to me?
- Could I invite my friends to attend Met?
- Could I share why Met matters to me with a newcomer or visitor?

CONTRIBUTE YOUR TIME

You can bring your energy and enthusiasm to volunteer periodically in the following way(s):

- Act as an usher or greeter
- Serve on a task group or committee of my choice
- Involvement with our music program
- Join our Prayer Covenant
- Help with special events
- Help keep our gardens and grounds to look their best
- Help with our refugee/resettlement program

CONTRIBUTE YOUR TRUTH

Sharing word of Metropolitan's many ministries with others enables them to see how our beliefs positively shape our lives and the lives of others. We have an amazing community at Met.

We believe that family, friends and work colleagues would be inspired and blessed to join us in person or online – if they only know of the transformational work we undertake each day.

Thanks to your generous gifts, Metropolitan provides hope, healing and beauty in Jesus' name through sacred space, inclusive community, compassionate action, and excellence in worship and music, grounded in the profound traditions of the Christian faith.

We also offer:

- A year-round community meal program
- Refugee settlement services
- Park outreach and counselling
- A beautiful sanctuary that's used daily by our downtown community members for prayer and meditation
- A revitalized outdoor space that is used by hundreds each day
- Ways to transform lives each and every day

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CONTRIBUTE YOUR TREASURE

When you donate to Metropolitan United Church, you help support a community of faith with a long history as a leader in social advocacy, community service, spiritual care and excellence in the arts. Through the work of our ministers, lay staff and volunteers, coupled with your generous financial help, this legacy continues in downtown Toronto.

You can donate to Met in several ways:

- Use the QR code to make a recurring or one-time gift on your credit card. (If you wish to donate for a special purpose, please use the CHANGE drop-down menu to indicate your intent.)
- Arrange for monthly withdrawals from your bank account or a monthly credit card donation by contacting Met's Finance Manager, Elena Pejcinovska at elenap@metunited.ca (416) 363-0331 x 229.
- Send an e-transfer to donations@metunited.ca. No security question is required.
- Place your gift in the offering plate during service.
- Mail a cheque or post dated cheques (payable to Metropolitan United Church)

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Met depends on your ongoing financial support to maintain our historic church building and organ, to provide a functional home for our many outreach ministries, and to continue livestreaming our services to worshippers around the world. Did you know:

- 55% of our revenue comes from parking lot income. We depend on congregational contributions, rentals and grants to cover the rest of our costs.
- The average annual gift to Met is \$1300 per household, with 227 households contributing regularly.
- It costs \$6,815 to operate our church per day.
- An additional gift of \$1 per day from each member of the congregation will help maintain our mission and ministry.

TIPS FOR BETTER GIVING

- Not sure how much to give? Consider giving the equivalent of one hour's pay per week.
- Wondering where to designate your gift? Consider "local operations." This enables your Official Board to direct funds to the areas of greatest need.

