

Rejoice and Remember

Our Rejoice and Remember campaign was very successful once again this year. We are reminding you that you may still use the appeal response form and envelope if you are saving it for that special tribute gift. All tribute gifts of \$25.00 or more are recognized with luminaries at our Lights of LutherCare events in December. The date for Luther Acres is December 4, 2018, and St. John's Herr Estate is December 5, 2018.. Through these tribute gifts, we remember, appreciate, recognize, honor, celebrate and rejoice.

Spring seemed a long time coming, and here we are in the midst of summer. As the seasons of our lives change, I am reminded of a hymn, "O Blessed Spring," which celebrates all the seasons and looks forward to the promise of the resurrection and new life in Christ. I, too, am reminded of our Artist in Residence, Freiman Stoltzfus, and his love of trees as a theme in his paintings. Often those trees seem to form cathedral vaults with their branches offering protection for those of us who abide in the world. Our lives are diverse and gifted, and I feel privileged to share this journey with you, and honored by your generosity to others through gifts that support the ministry of LutherCare.



Blessings,

Rev. William C. Snyder
 Vice President –
 Philanthropy and Community Engagement



Gift Planning: Art and Reality

George and Karen, both in their 70s, had traveled, raised their children, and regularly attended their church and participated in fellowship and social ministry events. Still living in the house in which they had raised their children, they were now considering the next phase of their lives.

With their children grown and launched, they were considering increasing their gifts to the church. Through consultation with the ELCA Foundation Gift Planner, Pastor Liz, they identified three ministries they desired to include along with their children in their plans: Luthercare, their congregation's social ministry programs and ELCA World Hunger. These ministries were both a reflection of their lives and symbols of the legacy they wished for their children and grandchildren.

As part of their consultation, they decided to add a preamble to their wills that imparted this legacy in words. Then, with Pastor Liz's assistance, they made some changes to the beneficiary forms on their Thrivent annuities and mutual funds. With these simple changes, George and Karen effectively put their intentions into artful reality. Without those changes, their faithful intentions would not have been executed as they had intended.

You may be like George and Karen, ready to look into what can be done to ensure that your faithful stewardship may continue. Gift planning is an extension of your financial stewardship. It permits you to make important decisions that will have a lasting, positive impact on beloved charities and family.

It takes prayerful coordination of one's will and beneficiary forms to make a gift plan that meets your expectations. Moreover, gifts to your favorite ministries and family may require the use of charitable means like charitable gift annuities, memorial endowment funds or trusts.

Free and confidential gift planning services are offered through a partnership with Luthercare and the Lutheran congregations of Lancaster and Lebanon counties.

Contact Pastor Liz Polanzke
ELCA Foundation® Central PA Gift Planner



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*Do not hesitate to call
at any time for assistance.*

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Tribute Gifts

January 1 – June 30, 2018

Honor Gifts

The Baptism of Our Granddaughter

David Newall & Judy Singer

The Beam Family

Sylvia J. Beam

Rev. Glenn Beard's Pastoral Services for Officiating Our Wedding

Jim Patterson & Ann Rinier-Patterson

Millie Bechtold

Bill & Marty Waldrop

Bill & Pam

Joyce Plasterer

Beth Bucher & the Wellness Team

Frederick & Virginia Franke

Edward C. Carty

Sandy & Tom McCormick

My Children

Marcia G. Espensen

My Children & Grandchildren

Mrs. Pat Lamb

Our Children & Grandchildren

Ken & Dottie Book

Our Children & Grandchildren

Doris & Larry Donmoyer

Our Children & Grandchildren

Cliff & Anetta Keith

Janet Craley

Ken Craley

The Crawford Family

Helen Heron

My Lord, Jesus Christ

Aberash T. Wogari

Our Family

Rod & Lorraine Bergstrom

Our Family

Don & Pat Shaub

Theresa George

John & Leah Reitz

Tony & Terry Giordano

Mike & Elisa Benner

Grandchildren – Hannah, Tom, Rowan & Ryder

Ken & Janet Craley

Barbara Grater, My Wife

Bill Irvine

The Haddad Family

Sylvia J. Beam

Henry Herbener

Robert Meckley

Lillian Herbener, My Wife

Rev. Henry E. Herbener

Isabela, My Daughter

Patricia De La Pena

Taylor & Kylee Kidwell, Our Nieces

Rev. Glenn & Lisa Beard

John & Elaine Klepetka, My Parents

Chaplain Dione Klepetka

Hazel Kulp

Jim & Amy Miller

Gwendoline Lehman

Bets & Lilly Freas

Eleanor, Anne-Marie, Annabel & Mason Lichty

Lt. Colonel & Mrs. Michael Lichty, USAF, Ret.

Rev. Bob Lowden's Pastoral Services for Officiating Our Wedding

Jim Patterson & Ann Rinier-Patterson

The Lunch Bunch Group

Martina Schmid

Luthercare Team Members

Anonymous

Anita Martin

Waldemar Camps

Miriam Moore

Aletta D. Genova

Annamary Peters

Lynn Foard

Jean Soderholm's Birthday

Bets Freas

The Dedicated Staff & Volunteers at Luther Acres

Ann K. Rinier

The Staff of St. John's Herr Estate

Dean & Carolyn Shope

Robert D. Staller

Peggy K. Staller & Daughter

The St. John's Herr Estate Family

Anita Martin

Bonnie Stewart

James & Marlene Whitehead

Linda Stoots' Birthday

Sylvia J. Beam

Bets Freas

The Team Members of Katy's Grill, Luther Acres Campus, for Their Catering Services at Our Wedding Reception

Jim Patterson & Ann Rinier-Patterson

Jack Wagner

Dan & Anne Stuart

The Wedding of Ann Rinier & Jim Patterson

Nicole DeGuzman & Chris Zakorchemny

Robert & Sue Jacoby

Eugene & Doris Kreider

David & Audrey Mack

Robert Patterson

The Wedding of Ann Rinier & Jim Patterson (cont.)

Jill Siragusa

Rod & Mary Smith

Glenn & Carole Weidman

The Wertz Family

Helen Heron

My Grandson, Samuel Wertz's High School Graduation

Helen Heron

Memorial Gifts

Wilson Adams

Doris Adams

Robert "Bob" C. Allwein

Robert W. Beahm

Mary Ann Doerzbacher

Jack Evans

Bob & Fran Gingrich

Barbara B. Grater & William C. Irvine

Jean Lacey

Eleanor L. Stauffer

Bob & Violet Allwein

Allison Kurtz

Charlotte Arbogast

Karl & Susan Arbogast

Karl & Charlotte Arbogast

Vicki Cozzone

June Bailey

Jim & Donna Bailey

Jennie Baker

Leta C. Fredricks

Larry Balmer

Mary Lou Balmer

Clarence Leroy Barr

Richard & Kathleen Amour

Marshall & Ruth Anderson

Robert W. Beahm

Mildred Bechtold

Doris Bronson

Kathryn Diffenderfer

Bets Freas

Sandra L. Frey

June E. Fry

Loretta E. Fry

Patricia S. Fry

Patricia J. Gerfen

Kent & Lois Hagedorn

Thomas & Lisa Laughlin

Glenn & Phyllis Miller

Bill & Jean Patterson

Barbara A. Reich

Ernst & Ruth Rinder

Don & Jean Rutter

Bob & Meryl Singer

Eleanor L. Stauffer

Bill & Marty Waldrop

Loretta A. Beahm

Robert W. Beahm

Richard L. Beam, Sr.

Sylvia J. Beam

Harold Bechtold

Bill & Marty Waldrop

Fred & Elizabeth Bodenberg

Kay Watson

Mr. Boots

Beth Hoffert

Michael P. Bransby

Amy Hake

Bill Braungard

Rose Braungard

Adam Brubaker

Leola M. Gibison

Robert P. Bucher

Susanne Wragg

George Buzzendore

Kimberly McCloud

Marion Campbell

Kathryn M. Herr

Edward "Ed" C. Carty

Raymond & Dorothy Bryant

Jody L. Charles

Cathy A. Cole

Alan T. LeBlanc

William & Gloria

Lennington

Jim & Kay Nolt

Harold & Joan Shaak

Nancy A. Steger

Harriet Zook

Dr. Psyche Cattell

Janet Strube

Robert "Bob" Chevalier

The Family of Bob Chevalier

Alan Cooper

Rita Cooper

Harvey Daubert

Dave & Kathy Dickinson

Eugene Diffenderfer

Mark & Lana Diffenderfer

Mr. & Mrs. Vernon Dillman

Charles S. Kopp, Jr.

Bert G. Eddy

Martha Hostetter

Lise Lovecchio

Roy Eddy

Lise Lovecchio

George Ehemann

Mary Ehemann

Zane Elliot

Nancy Casiano

Howard Eppehimer, Husband

Elizabeth Eppehimer

Millard P. Eppig

William Borner

Frank & Barbara Eppig

Miriam Horn

Harry Mann

Alice Eshleman

Jim & Donna Bailey

Dennis Eshleman
Audrey Eshleman

Betty & Harold Evans, My Parents
Karen Widdoss, Daughter

Doris Evans, My Wife
Jack Evans

Family Members
Lorraine Boyer

Mack C. Fisher
Janet A. Fisher

Evelyn & Charles Fritts
Leta C. Fredricks

Florence & Warren Fritts
Leta C. Fredricks

Rev. Pastor Clyde I. Fry
June E. Fry
Dr. Charles & Joan Inners

Mary Gaffney
Leta C. Fredricks

Tony & Terry Giordano
Mike & Elisa Benner

Orlando "Tony" A. Giordano
Doris J. Hummel
Edward L. & Ruth Coulson Jones
Betty Miller
Joanne Snaveley
Eleanor L. Stauffer
Susanne Wragg

Theresa "Terry" Giordano
Doris J. Hummel
Betty Miller
M. Virginia Musser
Susanne Wragg

C. Hess Haagen
Donald & Helene Beck
Ken & Janet Craley
Bets Freas
Barbara B. Grater & William C. Irvine
Bill & Jeanette Hershey
Edward L. & Ruth Coulson Jones
Doris G. Rittenhouse
Bob & Meryl Singer
Joanne Snaveley
Eleanor L. Stauffer
James & Marlene Whitehead
Susanne Wragg
Rose Marie Wyneken & Don Haverstick

Carl Haberstroh
Arvilla Haberstroh, Wife

Doris Hahn
Rachel Sellers

William & Maebelle Harting
Sylvia J. Beam

Norma Haverstick
Kay & Dave Hougendobler

Robert Heron, Husband
Helen Heron

James E. Herr
Kathryn M. Herr

Larry Herr
Mary Ann Herr

John R. Hess
Charles F. Snyder Funeral Homes & Crematory

Michael F. Hill
Sue Hill

Alma Hock
Brenda Schildt

Bette Hofferth
Patricia Sullivan

Margaret Israel
Tom Israel

Wilford & Dot Jamison
Bob & Joan McComsey

Steve & Betty Karinch
Suzanne Miller

Mr. & Mrs. Leroy Kline
Richard & Barbara Metzger Kline, Children of Parents

Mr. & Mrs. Charles Kopp
Charles S. Kopp, Jr.

Arnold Krafft
Doris & Larry Donmoyer

Marlin I. Kreider
Ephrata Lions Club
Scott Fortier
Dorothy Granger
John & Lavon Harnish
Helen Heron
Kathryn M. Herr
Doris J. Hummel
Tony & Kathy Kilkuskie
Lise Lovecchio
Rev. Rob & Emily Myallis
Andrew & Nancy Vogel
Susanne Wragg

Katheryn Kretzmann
Dave & Ann Kretzmann

Wilma B. Kuhn
Kathleen Bucholtz
Erika Campbell-Harris
Diana Espinosa
Richard L. & Norma J. Hinkle, Sr.
Maya & Lulu Sulsona
Kiry Tous
Anonymous

J. Russel Kulp
Jim & Amy Miller

Kenneth E. Kulp
Betty A. Kulp
Judy & Ed Scott

Rev. Robert M. Lamparter
Hildegard P. Lamparter

Helen Lauderman
Leta C. Fredricks

Ervin & Mary Laukhuff, Father & Mother
Gloria Sheldon

Anna T. Lavenberg
Sarah Foote

Justin LeFevre
Shirley J. LeFevre, Grandma

Larry L. Lehman
Marjorie Lehman

Roberta Lick
Lisa Garman

Mrs. MayBelle Long
Robert H. Long

Loved Ones
Elro Brink

Loved Ones
Elizabeth Eppehimer

Loved Ones
Rita M. Gutshall

Loved Ones
Hildegard P. Lamparter

All My Loved Ones
Kay Dicks

Ray Lowry
Susanne Wragg

The Lunch Bunch, Deceased Members
Martina Schmid

Pat Mann
Harry Mann

Stella Manning
Leta C. Fredricks

Carl & Helen McAloose
Carl & Marie McAloose

Carl McComsey
Bob & Joan McComsey

Betty L. Mearig
Lise Lovecchio

My Parents, Marion & Edwin Merrion's Wedding Anniversary
Jean M. Holder

Mr. & Mrs. John Metzger
Richard & Barbara Metzger Kline, Children of Parents

Michele N. Metzler
Eleonore I. Shay

Barbara "Bobbie " A. Miller
Bets Freas
Wilma Graham
Helen Heron
Edward L. & Ruth Coulson Jones
Lise Lovecchio
Betty Rheinheimer
Rosemarie (Vilma) Seminara
Joanne Snaveley
Eleanor L. Stauffer

Forrest W. Miller
Sandra Boehmer
Forcht Bank Loan Operations
Amy Ginsky
Samuel & Joyce Groh
Judith Hower
Thomas & Anna Ilgenfritz
Ken & Ellyn Katen
Carrie Kitchen-Santiago
John & Sharon Murphy
Cynthia & Ross Reese

Lester W. Miller
Sylvia S. Miller

Elsie Minnich
Fred & Lenore Hummel

Fred Morrissey
Audrey Kahl

Our Mothers
Leslie Hopman and Dianne Kline

Bill Murray
Lise Lovecchio

James Neff, Brother
Judy & George Hansalik

Donald E. Ney & Gladys K. Ney
Mr. & Mrs. Donald E. Ney, Jr.

Barry W. Noll
Eleanor L. Stauffer
Susanne Wragg

Carol Oathout
Matt & Marcella Oathout

Harvey L. Odell
Nancy Odell

Linda L. Ohlinger
Jocelyn S. Kline

Kenneth Olsen
June Olsen

Alfie Pagano
Terry & Sandi Crumbling

Papa, Mama & Sister
Martina Schmid

Our Parents
Doris & Larry Donmoyer

Our Parents
David Newall & Judy Singer

Our Parents, with Love
Bob & Betty Yuill

Richard R. Peters
Judith Peters

Christopher Peterson
Nicole Waldron

Barry Ravegum, Husband
Lorna K. Ravegum

Jill Ravegum, Daughter
Lorna K. Ravegum

David & Monica Readinger
Kathy M. Hogue

Jean E. Reidenbaugh
 Dorothy M. Barr
 Robert W. Beahm
 Doris & Larry Donmoyer
 Bets Freas
 June E. Fry
 Jane Garman
 Rita M. Gutshall
 Robin Stover Jacks
 James & Beverly Maddox
 John & Jan Reidenbaugh
 Doris G. Rittenhouse
 Janet Strube
Gilbert & Catherine Reinertsen
 Ann Russo
Nova Rice
 Kathryn Rice
Mary Ann Rieker
 Mary Ehemann
Cora I. Rodkey
 Julie & Demuth Rodkey
Marquerita "Peggy" Root
 Miriam Horn
Ed Ruoff
 Ingrid
Mary Kay Sauder
 Daisy Kuhfeldt
Claire Schuyler
 Helen Heron
 Joanne Snavelly
Samuel & Carolyn Shelly
 Cheryl & Glenn Ruhl
Lee Shober
 Gloria Shober
Ellen W. Smiley
 Carolyn J. Shope and Family
Ellen Smiley, St. John's Herr Estate's "Pioneer"
 Matt Landis
Oliver & Ellen Smiley
 Dean & Carolyn Shope
Brent Sonnen
 Joyce Sonnen
Scott D. Spangenburg, Our Son & Brother
 Oren E. Spangenburg
Shirley M. Spangenburg, Wife & Mother
 Oren E. Spangenburg
Homer Hoey Starr
 Charles & Virginia Bracken
Minnidell Miller Starr
 Charles & Virginia Bracken
Rob Stauffer, My Husband
 Becky Stauffer
Earl M. Stoner
 Doris J. Hummel
Rev. John L. Strube
 Janet Strube

Ruth E. Swope
 Julie & Demuth Rodkey
Carol J. Taylor, My Wife
 Ken Taylor
Mr. & Mrs. Philip Tice
 Dennis & Betsy Sattazahn
Glenn D. Trostle
 Dr. Randolph L. Trostle
Fred Vinson
 Ken & Janet Craley
 Gerald & Janice Styer
Ruth & Richard Vogt
 Chuck & Ruth Ann Williams
Mary Wagaman
 Craig & LeeAnne Wagaman
Virginia "Ginny" Wagner
 Beth Rice
 Dan & Anne Stuart
Earl W. Walters, Husband
 Anna K. Walters, Wife and
 Karen S. & Bruce K. Walters, Children
Sandra J. Wanner
 E. Larry Wanner
Tammy Whitehead
 James & Marlene Whitehead
William J. Wright, Jr.
 Dorothy E. Wright
Gerald E. Wyneken
 Rachel Wyneken, Daughter
 Rose Marie Wyneken
Richard Zug
 Lise Lovecchio



Gifts from the Heart

"I'll have no need for those funds then, but people who are living will still need them."

- Anonymous

Giving Your Independent Living Refund

I cannot tell you her name because she wished to remain anonymous, but it warms my heart to think of her. She was regular in annual giving, and generous. She made capital gifts to Spang Crest, for the Wellness Center and for the Bright Future Campaigns, and she was positive in her outlook as she moved through levels of living. For her, it was always about living, and her outlook remained bright. She cared deeply for her friends and neighbors. She signed an agreement to turn over her refund to Luthercare for Benevolent Care and for the Nursing Scholarship Fund. And when she made that decision, we celebrated her generosity and were able to say thank you. Recently we gratefully received that gift. As she once put it, "I'll have no need for those funds then, but people who are living will still need them." A true gift from the heart.



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(Tribute Lists Inside)



IRA Charitable Distribution

Don't forget this helpful tool when considering your charitable giving: the Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD) from your Individual Retirement Account (IRA). This gift is not a deduction but reduces your adjusted gross income, so that even if you do not itemize charitable deductions, the gift is beneficial for tax purposes.

You must be 70½ or older to be eligible to make a QCD.

QCDs are limited to the amount that would otherwise be taxed as ordinary income. This excludes non-deductible contributions.

The maximum annual amount that can qualify for a QCD is \$100,000. This applies to the sum of QCDs made to one or more charities in a calendar year. (If, however, you file taxes jointly, your spouse can also make a QCD from his or her own IRA within the same tax year for up to \$100,000.)

These gifts also count toward your Required Minimum Distribution (RMD).

The funds must come out of your IRA by your RMD deadline, generally December 31.