



A BRIEF HISTORY OF FUMC NORTHVILLE GIVING

- 1834 – First Church at Dunlap & Center Streets – Cost \$250
- 1885 – New Church at Dunlap & Center – Cost \$5,308
- 1977 – New Church at 8 Mile / Taft – Cost \$750,000
- 1994 – Expansion with Fellowship Hall and extended classrooms – Cost \$2.5 million +
- 2004 – Sanctuary renovation – Cost \$1.0 million +
- 1993 - 2018 – Endowment Fund– Gifts received \$800,000+

RECENT ENDOWMENT ACTIONS

- Funded interior signage and the electronic FUMC Northville sign on Eight Mile Road
- Supported the FUMC Prayer Path & Memorial Gardens
- Supported new choir robes for FUMC Northville Choir and Chapel furniture
- Supported the establishment of the Senior High / Young Adult Director position
- Facility Improvement Fund (FIF) support
- Funded kitchen renovation and Youth Band equipment (2018)

FUMC Northville's future legacy
is in your hands!

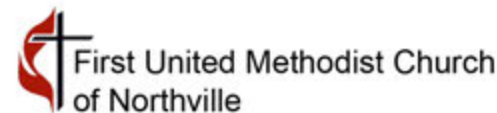


*“The things you do
for yourself are gone
when you are gone,
but the things you do
for others remain
as your legacy.”*

-Unknown

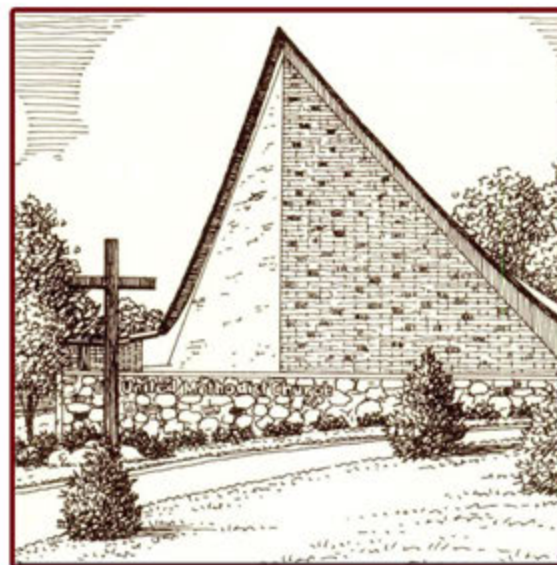


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ENDOWMENT FUND

The Legacy Begins With You!



*1834 to Today
Growing and Prospering!*

*Nearly 200 years young –
building on your legacy.*



ENDOWMENT GIVING: AN FUMC NORTHVILLE LEGACY

Our church reflects generosity and legacy giving from the early generations of the church to the current members who have made donations to the FUMC Northville community. Some gifts are unrestricted and are directed to the Endowment Fund, others are designated to benefit a special passion of the donor, such as music and worship, mission, education, or other church activities, and go directly to support those ministries.

Your estate plan is a thoughtful document about what matters most to you. You can create an authentic legacy that expresses your values, honors loved ones and supports the areas of the church that genuinely are most important to you and your family.

Endowment giving emulates John Wesley's credo which says, "Let us do all the good we can, by all the means we can, in all the ways we can, in all the places we can, at all the times we can, to all the people we can, as long as ever we can."

OVERVIEW OF LEGACY GIVING

Reaching out and extending our blessings thoughtfully and genuinely beyond our own lives is an intrinsic part of Christian stewardship. If FUMC Northville has played a role in your life, you can help to continue its vital ministries and missions. Be a part of nearly 200 years of history of helping our community with an endowment gift.

Your thoughtful gifts to the church now and in the future, can make FUMC Northville stronger and more responsive to the needs of generations to come.

An endowment gift is a wonderful way to further your legacy.

Perhaps the greatest reward of giving to the Endowment Fund is the knowledge that your gift, regardless of its size or form, will continue to help our church proclaim the good news of Christ, for generations to come, preserving your legacy.



THE ENDOWMENT FUND

To provide thoughtful long term financial health for the FUMC Northville community by promoting and assisting the religious, educational, and charitable purposes of the church.

The Endowment Fund was established for the sole purpose of securing, strengthening and extending the long-term survival and mission of FUMC Northville and its outreach in community.

The Endowment Fund is utilized for the development and expansion of the ministries of our church that are beyond the parameters of the General Operating Budget and to assist in the financial stability of FUMC Northville.

It's policy that these gifts and bequests remain intact and be invested to produce income that benefits the programs of the church yearly. **In this way, the original gift will never be spent.**

Opportunities that Endowment supports include:

- To begin ministries for which there is no funding
- To support new programs
- To provide additional support for building, music, youth & missions



NOW IS YOUR TIME TO CREATE OUR OWN LEGACY!

How can I start a legacy today?

The best gift is a thoughtful one that is appropriate to your interests and circumstances. Gifts of all sizes are important and valued. You may choose to make a gift of cash, securities, charitable annuities, insurance proceeds, IRA's or other real estate or personal properties.

In all cases, you should consult with your family, along with your personal tax and legal advisors to ensure that you plan and draft your legacy endowment language carefully. Review your personal goals and individual circumstances to maximize the benefits to you.

Ways to Give

- Gift of Cash / Appreciated Stock / Bonds and Mutual Funds
- Charitable Trusts and Annuities
- Bequest through Will / Gift of Life Insurance/ Retirement Accounts (IRA's)
- Purchase of a life insurance policy naming FUMC Northville as beneficiary

Giving

- Cash/Collectibles / Real Estate
- Stocks/Bonds / Life Insurance
- Wills / Business Interests/IRA's

Legacy

- Leaves a legacy for yourself, family and church
- Supports the church now and through future generations
- Peace of mind & comfort regarding estate use for church

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Who administers the assets of these funds?

- The Endowment Committee administers the assets of these funds.
- Endowment trustees are elected by representatives at the Church Charge Conference.
- Church Council, based on Endowment Committee recommendations, approves expenditures.

Who should I contact regarding more information?

- Please contact the Senior Pastor who will put you in touch directly with the Chairman of the Endowment Committee.
- Brochures and additional information are available in the church office. In addition, talk with your attorney about estate planning and the possibility of making a bequest or other type of planned gift to FUMC Northville. You will need to be guided by your tax advisor.

What should I do if I am interested?

- If you are interested in making a gift to the Endowment Fund we are ready to help in any way.
- Your first step is to thoughtfully pray about and talk over this decision with your family. Then contact your financial advisor and tell him / her of your desire and intention, then contact the church.

How are the funds invested?

- The United Methodist Foundation of Michigan (UMF MI) professionally manages the investment of endowment fund gifts.
- The Endowment Fund invests in stocks, bonds and money market funds.

Are there limits to how much can be spent yearly?

Yes. In the charter, there are two limits to spending:

- 1) The principle of gifts will never be spent
- 2) Yearly expenditures are capped at 5% of the average fund balance of the last 12 quarters.

What is the present balance of the Endowment Fund?

- As of year-end 2017, the balance of the fund totaled about \$1.2 million of which \$800,000 are from gifts and \$400,000 are from capital gains.
- Since the fund was established in 1993, over \$400,000 has been spent on various projects.

The Legacy Begins with You!

