

CHRISTIAN GIFT PLANNING
Bethany Lutheran Church
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Continue Making Gifts After Your Death

- Have you ever considered establishing a "gift plan" that continues your Christian giving after your death?
- The ministries that you support financially during your life may continue to do their important work even after you have gone to heaven.
- By including a gift to these ministries in your "gift plan", you display the Holy Spirit's guidance in your life.
- You could include a gift in your will, trust, beneficiary designations or other methods.

Gifts for Grandchildren

- Making gifts to your grandchildren in your "gift plan" can be a wonderful way to teach Christian stewardship.
- The Lutheran Church--Missouri Synod Foundation can assist you with a special charitable trust arrangement which can make gifts to your grandchildren and make a gift to your favorite charities.
- Here's an example of how it works: John and Edna make a provision in their "gift plan" for \$40,000 to go to the LCMS Foundation for a charitable trust at their second death. Their trust will pay quarterly income to their grandchildren for a 15-year period. Over the 15 years, their grandchildren may receive a little more than \$40,000 in payments. After the 15-year period is over, the balance of the \$40,000 in the charitable trust will be distributed to their church and several of their favorite Lutheran ministries.

Are You Single?

- For those who have never married, many issues may come up when you consider your estate plan.
- You may have heirs that you could give your estate to, but questions come up as to the age of the heirs, what amount to give them, and how the inheritance will be used.
- The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod Foundation has developed several special trusts that can be used in this type of estate planning used quite often by single individuals to provide a stream of income payments to their heirs and also to provide a gift to the ministries of their choice.

If you would like some assistance in your gift planning for any of the aforementioned aspects or would simply like to learn more, please attend our gift planning seminar on **June 25, 2005, 5:30 p.m.** Don't miss this opportunity to share new ideas regarding how to grow in your stewardship.