



Authorization for Direct Contribution

Direct Contribution: Through direct contribution, your gifts are made through a pre-authorized withdrawal from your bank account.

Benefits to You: Direct contributions are a reliable, safe way to move your stewardship plan into action. It allows you to share your gifts through planned giving and ongoing stewardship. Because your gift is given consistently, you won't need to play "catch-up" at year-end, or worry about forgotten checkbooks, or lost checks in the mail.

How Do I Participate? Simply complete the form below, and return it, along with a "voided" check or a savings account deposit slip to the Treasurer or church office.

I authorize First Christian Reformed Church and the financial institution named below to initiate entries to my checking or savings account. This authority will remain in effect until I notify you in writing to cancel it in such time as to afford the financial institution a reasonable opportunity to act on it.

(NAME OF FINANCIAL INSTITUTION)

(CITY)

(STATE)

(ZIP CODE)

(MY SIGNATURE)

(DATE)

(NAME - PLEASE PRINT)

(ADDRESS - PLEASE PRINT)

(PHONE NUMBER)

(EMAIL ADDRESS)

Account No. _____

Checking or Savings

Amount of Withdrawal \$ _____

on the 1st or 15th of each month
(OR)
 every Wednesday

Financial Institution Routing Number _____

(between these symbols **⦿**)

⦿ on the bottom left of your check)

Please attach a voided check.

How would you like your contribution amount allocated between the different funds?

- 1. General Fund \$ _____
- 2. Building Fund \$ _____
- 3. Faith Promise \$ _____
- 4. Ministry Shares \$ _____
- 5. Tuition Support Fund \$ _____
- Total \$ _____

First CRC Budget Envelopes

New budget envelopes for the fiscal year starting August 1 are ready for pickup by the church mailboxes. The deacons encourage weekly giving using these budget envelopes because they allow members to designate offerings toward pre-approved ministries and funds and also assist the church with good record-keeping for our members.

The envelope fund designations for this coming fiscal year are described below:

- **General Fund:** Supports the Ministry Programs at First CRC including Evangelism, Youth, Children, Adult, Worship, Small Group, and Health Ministries plus the operational expenses of the property, office and personnel expenses.
- **Building Fund:** Provides funding for major repairs, equipment and furnishings.
- **Faith Promise:** Provides funding for local and regional ministries selected by the Missions Committee that match the ministry objectives of First CRC.
- **Ministry Shares:** Provide funding directed primarily to our Classis Iakota for supporting classical ministries and organizations such as Dordt College, Cornerstone Prison Ministry, Laotian Ministries, New Roots, Prairie Lights and others. Once Classical Ministry Shares are met for the year, remaining contributions are directed toward Denominational Ministry Shares which support the Back to God Hour, Calvin College & Seminary, Faith Alive Christian Resources, Christian Reformed Home and World Missions, and other denominational services.
- **Tuition Support Fund:** Provides financial assistance to families for paying the expense of Christian education.
- **Offering of the Day:** Supports a specific ministry chosen by the Deacons for that week. Please watch the weekly ministry newsletter for information about the Offerings of the Day.

Please note:

- Envelopes with **no designation** will be directed to the General Fund.
- **Loose cash** is designated toward the Offering of the Day.
- **Loose checks** with no designation on the check will be directed to the General Fund.

Direct Contributions

In addition to the Budget Envelope System, First CRC also offers a Direct Contribution option. Through this, you may choose to automatically give to all the funds or just a few. If interested in enrolling, please complete the form on the back and place it in Office mailbox, which is the first mailbox on the left at Church.