



Aldersgate United Methodist Church

1301 Collingwood Rd, Alexandria, VA 22308

Gift in Your Will or Living Trust

Ministry in the Future

Do you want to leave money to Aldersgate United Methodist Church in your will or living trust? Do you *also* want the flexibility to change your will if life circumstances change? You can do both.

This type of donation to Aldersgate UMC in your will or living trust helps ensure that we continue to courageously live God's unconditional love for years to come.

Making a gift for the future is like planting a tree under which somebody else will sit.

Leaving a bequest is a carefully considered decision, while at the same time it is an opportunity to invest in the future ministry of Aldersgate United Methodist Church. By making a bequest to Aldersgate UMC, you can create a legacy and make an enduring contribution to the ministry and mission of making disciples for Christ. The gift can honor you, your family or someone close to you, for generations to come.

When considering leaving a bequest, we recommend that you consult your attorney or your legal advisor. You may wish to share the following suggested wording with your attorney or financial advisor.

ALDERSGATE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH DOES NOT PROVIDE FINANCIAL OR LEGAL ADVICE.

Suggested wording for bequests to Aldersgate United Methodist Church

- The following wording is suggested to indicate your intention to make a general bequest to Aldersgate. The use of the gift will be determined by the trustees at the time the gift is received.

General purpose

“I give [% of my residuary estate/insert dollar amount*] to Aldersgate United Methodist Church, 1301 Collingwood Rd, Alexandria, VA 22308, EIN 54-0715532, for the general purposes of the church to fulfill its mission of courageously living God’s unconditional love.”

- The following wording is suggested to indicate your intention to make an endowment bequest to Aldersgate. The use of the interest from the gift will be determined by the trustees as interest becomes available for expenditure.

General endowment

“I give [% of my residuary estate/insert dollar amount*] to Aldersgate United Methodist Church, 1301 Collingwood Rd, Alexandria, VA 22308, EIN 54-0715532, for the general endowment of the church. The interest accrued may be used by Aldersgate United Methodist to fulfill its mission of courageously living God’s unconditional love.”

- The following wording is suggested to indicate your intention to make a specific purpose bequest to Aldersgate. The gift will be used as you indicate in your bequest.

Specific purpose

You are encouraged to make an unrestricted/general purpose bequest so that your gift can be used by Aldersgate wherever the need is greatest at the time the gift is received.

However, if you have a specific purpose in mind for your gift, you may use the following wording to indicate the specific purpose.

“I give [% of my residuary estate/insert dollar amount*] to Aldersgate United Methodist Church, 1301 Collingwood Rd, Alexandria, VA 22308, EIN 54-0715532, for the purpose of _____ (Describe purpose.)

- The following wording is suggested to indicate your intention to make an endowment gift for a specific purpose. The interest accrued from the endowment will be used as you indicate in your bequest.

Specific Purpose Endowment

If you wish to make a gift for the endowment from which only the interest is expended, you are encouraged to make an endowment gift where the interest may be used for general purposes so that the interest that becomes available to spend in future years can be used as needed at that time as determined by the trustees.

However, if you have a specific purpose in mind for the income from your gift, you may use the following wording to indicate the specific purpose for the income from the endowment.

“I give [% of my residuary estate/insert dollar amount*] to Aldersgate United Methodist Church, 1301 Collingwood Rd, Alexandria, VA 22308, EIN 54-0715532, for endowment with the interest from the endowment being used for the purpose of _____ (Describe purpose.)