

NOTE: This information will appear on the Church's Website with a link for downloading the Donation Form

Stock Gifts

We encourage you to consider the advantages of giving appreciated stock to St. Luke "Community" United Methodist Church. If you own appreciated stock, it is usually better to contribute stock than cash. Donors either give us stock certificates that they have in their personal possession, or have their broker or investment manager transfer stocks to us electronically.

Donors of appreciated securities are entitled to take a charitable deduction for the value of appreciated securities (held longer than one year) and avoid paying any capital gains tax that would be due if the donor sold the securities.

Please speak to your broker or investment manager to determine if this approach to giving is a viable option for you. Our policy is to immediately sell all stock gifts and deposit the proceeds from the sale into the church bank account immediately.

To Donate to St. Luke "Community" United Methodist Church

[Please Download This Form and Give It to Your Broker](#)

Please return this form to the church office to allow us to credit you with the donation.

For next year's pledges, you can accelerate your tax deduction and, at the same time, help your church significantly by giving stock before year-end in payment of your pledge for next year. The church will earn interest on the deposited funds and will be able to use your contribution for operating expenses. Of course, the You – the Donor – will take credit for the gift against any tax liability for this year.

Benefits to all

- St. Luke "Community" United Methodist Church receives a gift that will be used as you direct.
- Donors receive a charitable tax deduction equal to the fair market value of the stock and avoid capital gains tax on the appreciated value of the stock.