

*“The earth is the Lord’s and all that is in it, the world, and those who live in it.”  
Psalm 24:1-3*

### **Our Mission**

**The Holy Cross Mission Endowment Board is dedicated to supporting the charitable legacy of Holy Cross Lutheran Church.**

### **The Holy Cross Mission Endowment Fund**

was created to provide an opportunity and vehicle for members of Holy Cross Lutheran Church to provide funding for present and future ministries.

These gifts outlive us, and continue to spread God’s blessings to future generations.

The Mission Endowment Fund receives, holds, and invests assets with a view to the long term. A limited portion of the fund is distributed annually to preserve it for the future.

### ***“How will these funds be distributed?”***

The Holy Cross Mission Endowment Fund earnings will support outreach into the:

- local community
- ELCA Church wide ministries
- ministry initiatives within Holy Cross Lutheran Church.

### ***“God has blessed me in so many ways. How is God calling me to respond to my many blessings?”***

Lifetime and estate gifts will enable Holy Cross to expand its ministry and mission. Since the Mission Endowment Fund keeps the principle in perpetuity, your gift will continue to provide for Holy Cross’ ministry for as long as the congregation exists.

Familiar to all of us is the term “stewardship of income,” the portion of our income we return to God annually for use in the ministry of His church.

Not as familiar is the term, “stewardship of assets.” This refers to the portion of our accumulated assets we return to God upon our passing to be invested and used to further ministry for the future generations of Holy Cross Lutheran Church members.

### ***“How can I participate in this opportunity to return to God that which is His?”***

Participation can be as easy as:

- Modifying your estate to include the Holy Cross Mission Endowment Fund in your will or through a revocable or charitable trust
- Direct gifts of cash, marketable securities or real estate
- Naming the Holy Cross Mission Endowment Fund as a life insurance beneficiary

Deferred giving to the Holy Cross Mission Endowment Fund may also provide immediate tax savings.

You may be able to give a gift and retain an income for your lifetime, while enjoying certain tax advantages.

Additionally, the transfer of highly appreciated assets may result in substantial savings of capital gains taxes.

Careful estate planning can mean that your generosity will bless your family and faithful ministries of Holy Cross Lutheran Church.

## Getting Information is Easy

If you would like more information on how you can build a legacy and support the ministries of Holy Cross Lutheran Church for present and future generations, please fill out this form and return it to the church office.

**Name:**

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**Address:**

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**Phone:**

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**Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

You may also contact the church office at 262-251-2740 or by email at [holycross1@holycrosslutheran.org](mailto:holycross1@holycrosslutheran.org).

Additional information may also be found at [www.ELCA.org/fo](http://www.ELCA.org/fo)

**The Holy Cross Mission Endowment Fund is about extending our part in ministry beyond our lifetime.**

Through the Mission Endowment Fund, earnings from your gift keep on giving to the ministries of the church. These funds make ministry possible where otherwise it might not happen, either today or in our future.

# HOLY CROSS MISSION ENDOWMENT FUND

*BUILDING A LASTING LEGACY*

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