

Take the 10% Challenge!

On behalf of our community, your faithfulness in giving provides hope every year...we thank you!

We are asking everyone to consider giving 10% more to Emmanuel in 2019. For example, if you gave \$2500 to help Emmanuel repair the world in 2018, commit to giving \$2750 (10% more, less than \$5 a week extra) to Emmanuel in 2019.

Did you know?

All Christians are commanded to "honor the Lord with the first fruits of your labor". (Proverbs 3:9).

- At Emmanuel UMC, there are no membership dues. Neither do we ask you to give a minimum amount.
- Instead, we ask you to give a proportion (percentage) of your income.
- The biblical standard is to give a "tithe," which is 1/10 of one's income.
- All should strive to give 10%. It is not the amount that matters; it is the proportion that matters.
- If you cannot offer 10% to God this year, perhaps you can increase your giving by at least 10% more than what you gave last year. If didn't make a pledge in 2018, take the first step and make a giving commitment by completing this sheet.

COMMITMENT TO GIVING PLEDGE 2019

Yes! I/we pledge to give as follows:

\$ _____ Weekly

\$ _____ Monthly

\$ _____ Quarterly

\$ _____ Other

Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

For a total annual gift to the **General Operating Fund** of \$ _____.

How to give... (Select only one box):

I would like to pay by check or cash. Please provide offering envelopes.

OR

Electronic Giving Options – the easiest and most cost-effective option:

Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) Authorization

Please indicate the frequency of electronic funds transfer (check one). New EFT withdrawals begin January 2019.

Weekly – on Mondays

Monthly – transferred on the 1st – OR – 15th (circle one)

To establish a new EFT withdrawal, please attach a voided check for the account from which withdrawals will be made. *Current Givers: previously authorized EFT's will continue in 2019 unless you have indicated a change above, or you notify the church office. By checking the above box, you authorize EUMC to update your current EFT withdrawals to reflect your 2019 pledge effective January 1, 2019.*

Online Giving is a convenient and secure system for online giving using a debit/credit card or bank account. Set up a new account or update your current account at www.eumclaurel.org/giving. *Current givers: By checking this box, you authorize EUMC to update your current online giving donation to reflect your 2019 pledge effective January 1, 2019.*

SIGNED: _____ PRINT NAME: _____ DATE: _____

More ways to give (check if applicable)...

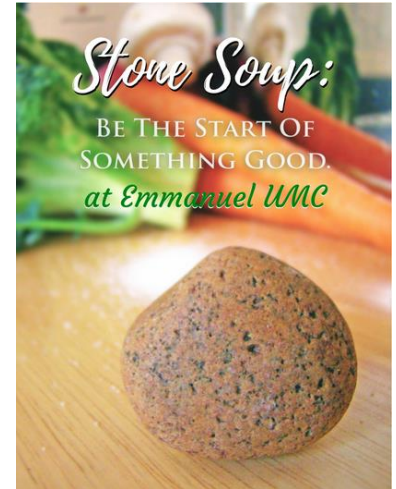
I/We have remembered Emmanuel in our will or planned gift.

I/We would like information on how to provide for Emmanuel in my/our will, or to give gifts of stock.

Please place this pledge sheet in the offering plate or return to the Church Office.

God has given each of you some special abilities; be sure to use them to help each other, passing on to others God's many kinds of blessings.

-First Peter 4:10



Emmanuel United Methodist Church 2019 Commitment to Giving Pledge for January 1 – December 31, 2019

Please return an Annual Commitment to Giving Pledge

Your annual Giving Pledge reflects your financial commitment to support your church's ministry throughout the year. We ask that everyone return a Commitment to Giving Pledge, even if you can only make a limited financial commitment at this time. You can always increase or decrease your commitment if your situation changes. **For 2019, we ask that you consider this pledge a pledge to the General Operating Fund.**

GIVING OPTIONS

• Cash or Check

If you choose to donate via cash or check, we will send you preprinted envelopes each month. Your gifts can be placed in the weekly worship offering plate, or they may be mailed to Emmanuel United Methodist Church, 10755 Scaggsville Rd., Laurel, MD 20723.

Two Electronic Giving Options are available, Electronic Funds Transfer, or Emmanuel Online Giving. These are the easiest, most cost-effective giving options for both you and the church.

• Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT)

With Electronic Funds Transfer, you can reinforce your commitment to give your offerings to God first, before anything else. To establish an electronic funds transfer, you will need to complete this commitment pledge authorizing the EFT and attach a voided check for the account you will use. If you used EFT in 2018, your current commitment will continue unless you submit a Commitment Pledge with a new amount.

• Emmanuel Online Giving

Online Giving is a convenient, secure online system for debit card or credit card contributions. For recurring contributions, Online Giving will charge your card on the day/frequency you select. To use Online Giving, go to www.eumclaurel.org and click on the Giving button at the top right of the Home page. Use your existing account to make updates, or set up a new account online.

The Emmanuel Endowment helps support the future needs of our church through planned giving opportunities. If you would like to learn more about remembering Emmanuel in your will or with a planned gift, check the box on your commitment pledge and an Endowment team member will contact you.