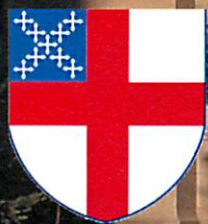


THE GRACE AND GRATITUDE TRUST FUND:

*Created to help assure
the legacy of the
Episcopal Diocese of Michigan*



FROM RT. REV. WENDELL N. GIBBS, JR.

What is stewardship?

Stewardship was first known as providing service to a castle dining hall. It evolved to denote the responsibility of handling domestic or household affairs. Stewardship then expanded to handling the needs of travelers on ships, trains and airplanes. Eventually, it also covered services provided in a restaurant to diners. While the word still includes that meaning, stewardship generally means being responsible for the goods and services provided by others. Today, stewardship has a financial connotation and includes the effort of planning for long-term security and sustainability.

Stewardship also ties into Christianity in a key way. As we believe in God's presence as creator, so do we believe God is the source and proprietor of all material possessions. Thus, we are accountable to God for using our assets responsibly. The Grace and Gratitude Trust Fund is one way each participant (donor) can embrace the responsibility of helping to manage the affairs of the Diocese, to take care of those traveling on

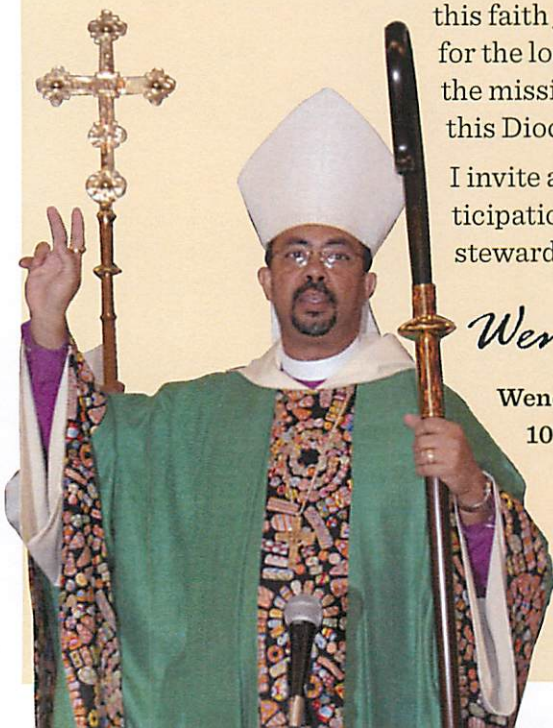
this faith journey with us, and plan for the long-term sustainability of the mission and ministry to which this Diocese has been called.

I invite and encourage your participation as a sign of our willing stewardship of God's gifts to us.

Wendell N. Gibbs, Jr.

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10th Bishop of Michigan



For more than a century, we have worked hard to proclaim the Word of God through both our words and our actions.

In times of prosperity and during times of challenge, our mission has remained steadfast. Our commitment to the community goes well beyond daily, weekly or even yearly focus. Our commitment is for the long term. And because of that, our mission is stronger than any resistance the current economic conditions may present. Our determined focus never changes during times of prosperity, either.

With a strong desire to maintain fiscal responsibility, the Diocese continues to invigorate its congregations and its members through its nurturing presence. Our commitment to ministry, spiritual and social programs, and communications remains evident. Again, the Diocese is in it for the long haul. Safe, careful planning is a foundation for this presence.

The Trustees of the Diocese of Michigan have established the Grace and Gratitude Trust Fund, which has allowed us to continue a proud tradition of serving while keeping an eye on the future. This fund lets us know our good work today is laying a firm foundation for tomorrow.

One of the best gifts we can provide to our children and grandchildren is the knowledge of a bright future for the Diocese of Michigan.

WHY ARE WE LAUNCHING A NEW EDOMI FUND VEHICLE?

- Faithful stewardship is essential to building and maintaining Christian community.
- The Episcopal Diocese of Michigan (EDOMI) encourages specific gifts to support ministry, in lifetime and bequest.
- A need for an additional fund avenue exists to support our committed ministry priorities.

THE SOLUTION: EDOMI elected Trustees have created the Grace and Gratitude Trust Fund (GGTF) to receive gifts, and manage all aspects of administration and distribution of grants.

HOW DOES IT WORK?

The GGTF has been developed to meet three objectives:

- Acceptance of gifts requesting donor designations and restrictions.
- Managing assets with an endowment goal of maintaining principal

and generating income for the EDOMI mission.

- Designating Trustee authority and control of ingathering, administration and distribution.

In brief, the GGTF provides another channel for development of Diocesan mission resources in addition to normal tithing and other restricted fund income.

WHAT ARE SOME OTHER BENEFITS?

- GGTF avoids the issue of legacy gifts needing to come before convention for distribution authority.
- Assets, managed by selected professional firms, are protected by three levels of review including EDOMI financial staff, Trustee oversight and annual audits.
- Gifts can be designated to a specific mission priority or undesignated, to a large extent at the discretion of the donor.

HOW DOES DONOR DESIGNATION WORK?

- Donors of under \$100,000 have a choice of eight specific EDOMI mission priorities with others added as our mission is revised.
- Donors of over \$100,000 can create their own mission priority in consultation with EDOMI staff.
- Donors at any level have the choice of making unrestricted or undesignated gifts to the Diocese.
- If key priorities are consolidated or changed, designation on gifts will remain for 25 years after such change, with the gift then re-designated.

WHAT GIFTS ARE ACCEPTABLE?

- All gifts that have objective market value can qualify, though Trustees can limit, restrict or qualify illiquid gifts due to liabilities, contingencies, or cost of liquidation.

WHAT ARE THE CURRENT KEY MISSION PRIORITIES?

Our stated mission priorities are:

- Congregational Development
- Lifelong learning
- Youth and Young Adult Ministry
- College Chaplaincies
- Capital Improvements
- Recreation, Camping or Conference Ministries
- Stewardship and Planned Giving
- Communications

WHAT CONTROLS ARE THERE ON DISTRIBUTIONS?

- No distributions will be made to key priorities until the key priorities account in total exceeds \$400,000.
- The EDOMI Trustees will annually determine a spending rate which will be based upon maintaining the fund principal after inflation.
- No portion of the principal amount in the fund can be borrowed or lent.
- A formal grant process at regular quarterly Trustee meetings will occur with formal applications received and subjected to approval.
- The Trustees at their discretion can require an implementation plan with phased funding as necessary to assure adequate implementation of grant objectives.

WHAT IF CHANGES OCCUR TO THE DIOCESE STRUCTURE?

- The Trustees have the responsibility to redirect, transfer or dispose of the fund if EDOMI ceases to exist.
- The GGTF resolution document can be modified only upon a two-thirds majority of Trustee vote per existing by-laws and canons.

HOW DO I MAKE A CONTRIBUTION?

- The Trustees have a confidential "Proposed Gift Documentation" which describes the type, amount, designation and personal information associated with a gift to the GGTF.
- The above documentation form is included in the center of this brochure

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OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE EPISCOPAL DIOCESE OF MICHIGAN
Proposed Gift Documentation

DONOR INFORMATION

Legal Name of Person, Estate, Trust or Institution

Name of Official and Title (if not a person)

Address of Person or Official

City

State

Zip

Office Phone

Home Phone

Cell Phone

Fax

Email

GIFT DESCRIPTION (Attach documentation as appropriate)

FINANCIALLY LIQUID GIFTS—CURRENT VALUATION: _____

☐ Cash by check only to Trustees of EDOMI-Grace and Gratitude Trust Fund

☐ Securities (describe: _____)

☐ Other Liquid Gifts (describe: _____)

ILLIQUID GIFTS (Valuation subject to donor paid appraisal or objective assessment)

☐ Real Estate (describe: _____)

☐ Life Insurance/Annuity (describe: _____)

☐ Tangible Personal Property (describe: _____)

☐ Closely Held Securities (describe: _____)

☐ Other Illiquid Gifts (describe: _____)

TIMING OF GIFT

☐ Available for Immediate Transfer

☐ Deferred Gifts in following categories (documentation related to gift attached)*:

☐ Charitable Gift Annuity

☐ Pooled Income Fund

☐ Charitable Remainder Trust

☐ Charitable Lead Trust

☐ Bequest

☐ Retained Life Estate

☐ IRA/Life Insurance/Annuity Death Beneficiary

☐ Other Deferred Gifts (describe: _____)

*Donor's Executor/Trustee/Attorney/Advisor contact: _____

GIFT MISSION DESIGNATION (contact EDOMI Trustees for further details)

(Include whole percentages of contribution allocated to a category in blank)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Congregational Development | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Lifelong Learning | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Youth and Young Adult Ministry | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Capital Improvements | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Recreation, Camping or Conference Ministries | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Stewardship and Planned Giving | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Communications | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other Recognized Diocesan Key Priorities (specify:) | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Unrestricted General Mission Priorities | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Donor Designated Contributions exceeding \$100,000 (specify:) | _____ |

Total of contribution allocations must equal 100%: _____

PREPARATION FOR GIFT ACCEPTANCE (date of completion)

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|---|-------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Review of Statement, Certificates, Contract, Property or Deeds | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Formal Appraisal by Objective Third Party | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Evaluation of potential conflict of interest | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Review Donor Designated Mission Requests | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Review Special Donor Requested Accommodations | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Gift Review Committee Evaluation (date of signing this form) | _____ |

POST-GIFT ACCEPTANCE TRUSTEE RESPONSIBILITIES

LIQUIDATION:

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| Target Timing | _____ |
| Broker/Exchange/Buyer Information | _____ |
| Date of Liquidation | _____ |
| Liquidation Funds Receipt | _____ |
| Issuance of Contribution Tax Receipt (Date) | _____ |
| Issuance of Institution, Trust or Estate Receipt (Date) | _____ |
| Formal Acknowledgement of Gift (Date) | _____ |

GIFT DESCRIPTION

APPROVALS:

Donor Signature	_____	Date	_____
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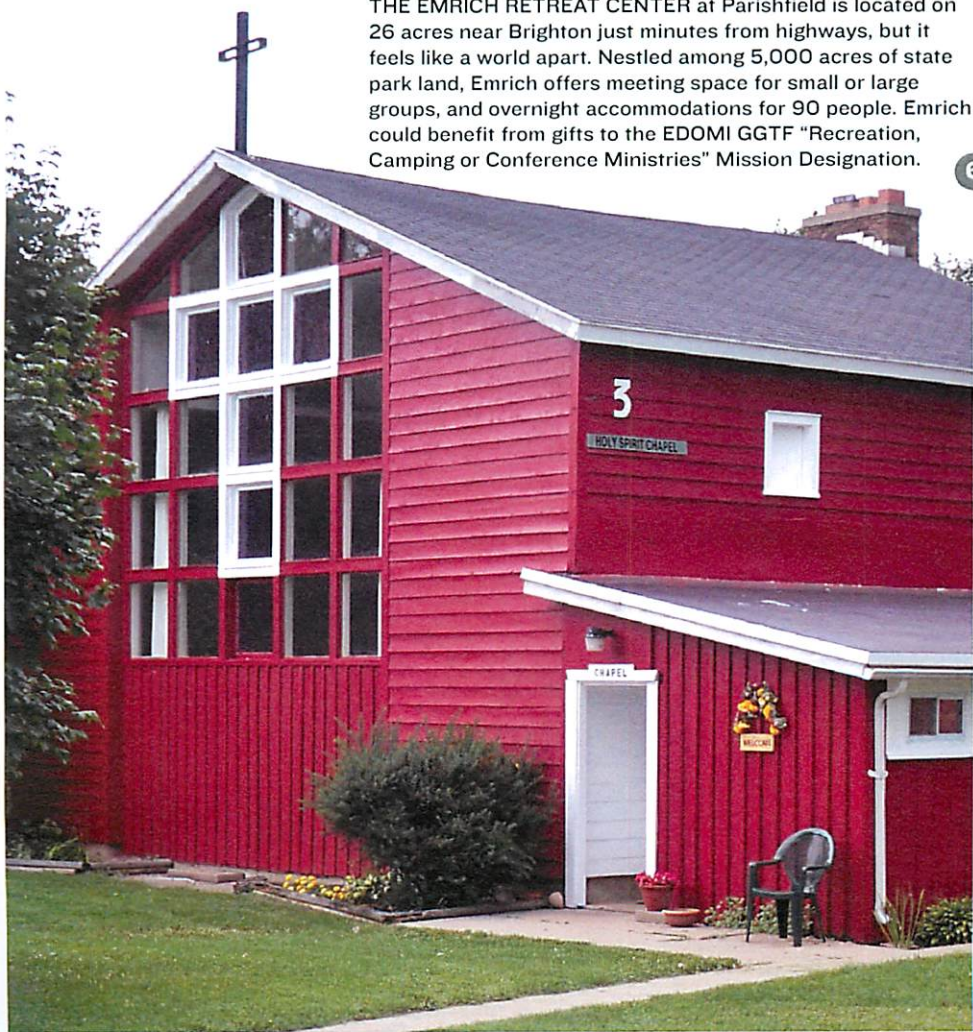
EDOMI Trustee Gift Review Committee Chairman Signature	_____	Date	_____
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“The Grace and Gratitude Trust Fund is a thoughtfully-conceived vehicle through which donors can express gratitude for God’s abundant blessings and secure the future ministries of the Episcopal Diocese of Michigan. Through current and legacy gifts to the fund, key ministries will be empowered and God’s vision for the diocese of Michigan can be fulfilled.”

~KRISTINE MILLER, Former EDOMI
Director of Stewardship and Planned Giving

THE EMRICH RETREAT CENTER at Parishfield is located on 26 acres near Brighton just minutes from highways, but it feels like a world apart. Nestled among 5,000 acres of state park land, Emrich offers meeting space for small or large groups, and overnight accommodations for 90 people. Emrich could benefit from gifts to the EDOMI GGTF “Recreation, Camping or Conference Ministries” Mission Designation.

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