



DEEP CREEK ANGLICAN CHURCH

GOOD GIVING GUIDE

God so loved the world that He gave His most precious possession: His Son Jesus! As a Christian we are wired such that when we begin to give in order to help this world connect to God's love, we begin to experience a satisfaction, empowerment, joy and fulfilment that can only come from our partnership with God's purposes. What we also notice is that He blesses our faithfulness with more to give!

Giving is a funny thing as we consider it as Christians: we get to take the resources that God has given us and give them back to Him and this pleases Him!

So why do we give?

- Giving recognises that everything we have is given to us by God.
- Giving is a response to God's generosity in giving Jesus to die for us (2 Corinthians 8-9)
- Giving is an expression of being partners in the Gospel (Philippians 1:3-7; 3 John 1:5-8)
- Giving is an obligation as we provide for the work of ministry and for those who are in ministry (1 Corinthians 9)
- Giving is part of our responsibility to provide for those in need as an expression of love for our neighbour (James 2)
- Giving is a way of us showing that money is not our master, but instead we are the stewards of money.

How much should I give?

At Deep Creek giving cheerfully, generously and sacrificially is part of our worship to our supremely generous God. One of the primary ways that we serve God is to give Him our “first fruits” (2 Cor 9:7; Prov 3:9). While the Old Testament puts a tithe as 10%, the New Testament does not specify a particular percentage, but does reinforce the concept that greater privilege requires greater responsibility. We give in response to the reality that everything we have is from God’s good hand and in the Lord Jesus Christ, God has given us His all. Therefore the calling on each of us is to move in generosity “above and beyond”.

Your generosity will make a difference to many lives. The ministry of Deep Creek is almost entirely dependent on the tithes and gifts from the people of our church as we partner together to see God’s Kingdom expand through us. In addition, as a community of God’s people, we are committed to Kingdom building beyond our immediate context. As part of this commitment, we direct approximately 10% of our general offering to mission activities across the world.

Methods of Giving

There are several ways to financially contribute to the work of the gospel through Deep Creek:

1. Sunday (through the offertory): cash/cheque/credit card slip
2. Direct Debit into the church's ANZ Bank Account
Account Name: St Philip's Deep Creek Anglican Church
BSB Number: 013189 *Account Number:* 313468616
Label special appeals as ‘SA’
3. Use secured Credit Card facilities via church website (bottom of Home page) and in the dialog box ‘Give to’ mark with appropriate category (i.e. Special Appeals)
4. Tithe.ly: give online or via the smartphone app using credit card. Download the app from the app store or use the link at www.deepcreekanglican.com

Special Appeal Pledge 2018/2019

Partnering with our great God in our time, talents and treasure is an awesome privilege. We don't give generously and sacrificially and joyfully to get - we give generously and sacrificially and joyfully because of Whose we are and who we are - children of the Father. Privilege and also responsibility.

We are asking *everyone* to generously contribute over and above your regular tithes and offerings. Blessings will flow. Why? Because such giving reflects the heart of God and His direction to us in His Word. Please respond on the Form overleaf.

We need to raise \$15,000. It comprises the following areas:

- Split system heating and cooling downstairs seminar room (\$3,000). The board sees air conditioning of the site as a priority to ensure comfort of members and visitors alike. The downstairs heater is currently a safety concern.
- Coffee station (\$2,000). We plan to establish a coffee station in the foyer with updated coffee equipment and better coffee to enable convenient access for all.
- Solar Panels (\$10,000). As part of roll out of air conditioning on site, the board feels it prudent to look at minimising ongoing operating costs by installing solar panels, as well as having a positive environmental impact.

If the appeal is over-subscribed, any additional funding will be put towards roll out of air conditioning in the hall and auditorium.

Please return this pledge form in a sealed envelope marked 'Special Appeal' via the offertory plates. Only the Treasurer (Ange Panther) and Warden (Bob Browne) are authorised to open the forms (and this is for processing purposes only).

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Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Pledge Amount: (Please circle)

\$250 \$500 \$1,000 \$2,000 \$4,000 \$10,000 other

Payment Cycle: (Please circle)

Once-Off Monthly Quarterly Half-Yearly

Method of Payment: (Please circle)

Cash* Direct Debit** tithe.ly (Credit Card)**

Notes:

* it is requested that all cash payments be put through the offertory plates, in a separately marked envelope (Special Appeals). Payments through other methods should be marked appropriately.

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