

Q: What is automated giving?

A: Automated giving is an automatic transfer that allows you to make contributions to your church without writing checks.

Q: What is the advantage of automated giving?

A: You can prioritize your stewardship plan within your budget. It will save you time. You can also help your church stabilize its budget.

Q: How is my automated giving deducted from my account?

A: Once you authorize the transfer, your specified contribution is electronically transferred directly from your checking or savings account to your church's account.

Q: When will my contribution be deducted from my account?

A: On the date that you select. You never have to worry about forgetting a contribution.

Q: If I don't write checks, how do I keep my checkbook balance straight?

A: Since your contribution is made at a pre-established time, you simply record it in your check register on the appropriate date.

Q: Without a canceled check, how can I prove my contribution?

A: Your church will include your automated giving on your contribution statement and your bank statement gives you an itemized list of electronic transfers.

Q: What if I change bank accounts?

A: Notify us and we will give you a new authorization form to complete.

Q: How much does the automated giving cost?

A: Nothing. And it saves you time.

Q: Is an automated contribution risky?

A: No. It's safer than writing a check. It can't be lost, stolen, or destroyed.

Q: Will the information I provide be used to solicit me for other business?

A: No. The information provided will only be used to process the electronic transfer of funds.

Q: What if I try it and don't like it?

A: You can cancel your authorization by notifying us at any time.

Q: How do I sign up for automated giving?

A: Complete and sign the authorization form and return it to the church office along with a voided check or savings deposit slip. We will begin the program on the date you select.

Q: Who do I talk to if I have more questions?

A: You can contact Angela Cognata, our financial secretary, at 372-1571 x2302 or acognata@stpeters-columbus.org.



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Faithful Giving offers a simple way for you to use electronic funds transfers to give your contribution.

