

generous hearts

A prayerful invitation to grow in generosity
and support gospel work in our church in 2027



"Not that I desire your gifts; what I desire is that more be credited to your account" - Philippians 4:17

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Spiritual Decision-Making Process

Step 1 - Pray

Generosity involves more than choosing an amount; it begins with the posture of our hearts. Ask God to help you grow in generosity. Read what the Bible says about giving and reflect on what you've heard in the recent sermons on generosity. If you find this difficult to pray about, consider how God may be shaping your priorities, your relationship with money and your circumstances.

Step 2 — Assess

Consider what God has provided and ask Him to guide your decision. You could start by choosing a percentage of your income. For example:

Income source	\$90,000	We give generously to those we love. Consider what you could give with a willing heart, as an expression of your love for God and your desire to trust Him
Income source	\$25,000	
Total income	\$115,000	
Giving percentage	10%	
Giving commitment	\$11,500	

Step 3 — Pledge

Your expression of generosity records what you've decided to give over the coming year. It also helps the Committee of Management in their planning. If your circumstances change, you can adjust your giving.

Drop your Expression of Generosity card into the offering box by Sunday, 1st November. You can also encourage others in your Growth Group to talk through the decision and make a faith commitment of their own.

Step 4 - Give

To follow through on your commitment, you could arrange regular giving by direct debit - eppingpc.au/give.

A recurring gift can make it easier to give consistently throughout the year. Regular giving helps sustain our church community and our mission to make, mature and multiply disciples of Jesus. Remember, God loves a cheerful giver.

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Expression of Generosity card

With God's help my/our offering to our church
in 2027 will be:

Amount: \$ _____

Frequency: ☐ Weekly ☐ Monthly ☐ Annually

Name/s: _____

Complete this slip and bring it to church by Sunday, 1 November or fill it
out online at eppingpc.au/generous

Your commitment will be kept confidential and seen only by the
treasurers

The Spiritual Practice of generosity

Giving is one way we express what matters to us. Paul describes the heart behind Christian generosity in 2 Corinthians 9:7:

“Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.” — 2 Corinthians 9:7

Here’s how we understand this at Epping Presbyterian Church.

Each of you

Church giving is often sadly supported by a relatively small part of the congregation. Yet God invites every one of us to take part in supporting the work of ministry.

Decide in your heart

It can help to think and pray about our giving ahead of time. At Epping Presbyterian Church, we invite people to consider once a year what they’re able to give, and then to give regularly. Planning ahead can help make giving a thoughtful and considered choice.

Not reluctantly

Giving isn’t meant to be something we do resentfully. If you’re uneasy about giving, take time to bring that honestly to God. Ask Him to shape your perspective and help you grow in generosity.

Not under compulsion

No one should feel forced to give. Generosity is a willing response that comes from the heart, rather than from guilt or pressure.

Cheerfully

We give in response to what God has given us in Jesus, and out of a desire to share His love with others. We hope that as you grow in our understanding of Christ’s love, giving will become a joyful way to support the work of sharing that love.