



FRONT: The window John W. and Annie Pender Gordon gave in honor of their infant daughter Edith depicts symbols that would appeal to a child: a dove, a lamb and an angel based on Raphael. The Gordons gave an additional window near the Laurel Street entrance in memory of their only son Jack who drowned in 1906 at age 19.

SIDEBAR: Like Edith and Jack, the two siblings that pre-deceased her nearly a century before Annie Pender Gordon Myers was memorialized at Grace & Holy Trinity. Her two daughters gave the pair of Willet Studios windows in the chapel in 1976.

BACK: A Mayer Company window remembers Anne Seddon Bruce the young wife of writer Thomas Nelson Page. He provided the inscription for her cross in Hollywood cemetery "Here lies all that was mortal of an angel" in a family plot beside Annie Pender, Edith and Jack Gordon's.



*Your Legacy Gift
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**Grace & Holy
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Legacy Giving - Stewardship For The Future

*In the First Letter to the
Corinthians, Saint Paul writes:*

“Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good.” (1 Cor.12:4 - 7)

We respond to God’s call in a variety of ways as we support God’s work with our time, talent, and treasure.

Through legacy gifts, we can continue our support for future generations. Grace and Holy Trinity Church welcomes a variety of gifts that support your vision as a donor and how you wish to serve God and the future of God’s church.

In generations past, our parishioners gave to create our beautiful stained glass windows: widows made remembrances to dearly departed husbands and grieving parents memorialized children with works of art that filled the recently completed nave. Today your giving supports the ministries that shine through them.

Purpose and Uses

The Grace & Holy Trinity Endowment Fund was incorporated in April, 1947. The charter gives these purposes for the Fund.

For such uses of the Church as the Board of Trustees of the Endowment Fund may determine, including preservation or improvement of the Church property and furnishings, for support of its operations and maintenance, for its religious, charitable and benevolent uses, and to such other works of charity and benevolence as it may undertake.

The ensuing years have borne out the wisdom of establishing the Fund. The people of Grace and Holy Trinity Church, through their personal financial stewardship and gifts to the Endowment Fund, have been able to maintain the church’s vitality and presence in Richmond, and throughout the world. Specific areas that the Fund has supported include capital improvements to the property and buildings; scholarships; the Campus Ministry program; seed money to the Diocese of Virginia for a new church in Hanover County and to purchase trucks for the Haiti Earthquake Relief effort; establishment and funding of our Missionary Society, and annual grants to enrich the church’s outreach ministries.

*There are a variety of vehicles by which you
may support the future of God’s work at
Grace and Holy Trinity Church.*

 **A Bequest in a Will.** By making a will you are planning for the future of your loved ones and institutions that have been important to you in your lifetime. Grace and Holy Trinity Church strongly urges everyone to plan and make a will. If you need assistance, we will be happy to put you in touch with resources in the community. A bequest in your will or codicil is one of the easiest ways to leave a legacy to Grace and Holy Trinity Church. There are three major vehicles for doing this.

A specific bequest leaves an amount of money or other asset to Grace and Holy Trinity Church. If the money or asset has been used before your death, the bequest simply becomes void.

A residuary bequest provides for loved ones first and leaves the remainder to Grace and Holy Trinity Church.

A percentage bequest leaves a specified percentage of your probated estate to Grace and Holy Trinity Church.

 **Gifts of Life Insurance.** The life insurance policy names Grace and Holy Trinity Church as the beneficiary upon your death. You pay the premium throughout your life-time. This can often be an excellent vehicle for leaving a legacy with little cost to you. You can name the church as the beneficiary in an existing policy or purchase a new policy.

 **Retirement Plan Benefits and IRAs.** Upon death, retirement plans or IRA balances are included for estate and income taxes to your beneficiaries. Funding a charitable bequest with an IRA or retirement plan prevents the bequest from becoming a liability of your estate, and the gift is made with pre-tax dollars.

Other kinds of legacy gifts also exist. We welcome the opportunity to discuss a way for you to help make God’s ministries possible long into the future.

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