

*Regular giving
makes a difference!*

It's easy to participate!

By giving regularly to our church family you help nurture our congregation, support our church home, and teach our children and young people about Christ. You support people in our community through our mission and outreach programs.

Through Benevolence giving you help start new congregations, train new ministers, equip church leaders and support mission and ministry in our community and throughout the world through the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada and the Eastern Synod. In other words, you help make a difference!

Your gifts can also help Canadian Lutheran World Relief respond to disasters when they happen and help people around the world overcome long-term poverty.

We worship God with our offering

The offering is an important part of our worship time together. Place an offering card on the offering plate as a symbol of your giving each Sunday.

- Decide the amount of your monthly or weekly offering.
- Complete the PAR authorization form and attach a cheque marked "VOID". Divide you monthly donation as you wish.
- Enclose the cheque and form in an envelope and place on the offering plate, or take to the church office.
- Withdrawals will occur on or about the 17th of each month beginning the month after your set-up procedure has been completed. You can designate, modify or cancel your donation, or change your banking information at any time, as long as you give the church office written notice. **Changes may be reflected the month following receipt of the written change.**
- Our PAR Program is administered by the United Church of Canada through an arrangement with the Eastern Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada. For further information concerning the PAR Plan in this congregation, please contact:

[St. Matthews Church Office](#)

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Pre-Authorized Remittance

St. Matthews (Kitchener) PAR Plan

"Each of you must give as you
have made up your mind,
not reluctantly
or under compulsion,
for God loves a cheerful giver."
- 2 Corinthians 9:7

Using the PAR program for your offering allows you to give intentionally, proportionally and faithfully to the church, even when you are not able to be there in person. Providing our church with a dependable flow of contributions also helps with budgeting and reduces paperwork.

It's easy. Just decide what you want to give each year and divide that amount by twelve (or decide what you want to give weekly and multiply that by 4.33, as there are 4.33 weeks in a month). Then fill out the authorization form to get started and that amount will be transferred to the church's account each month. You can place an offering card in the offering each week as a symbol of your gift.

PAR Authorization Form

St. Matthews (Kitchener) Lutheran Church, Kitchener, Ontario

I/we [Name(s): *Please Print*] _____ and _____ Contribution No.: _____
hereby authorize St. Matthews (Kitchener) Lutheran Church, 54 Benton St., Kitchener, ON to debit my account on or about the 17 th day of each month in the amount of \$ _____ starting the month of _____ as my/our contribution, to be allocated as follows:

Current Expenses:	\$ _____	Benevolence:	\$ _____
Building Improvements:	\$ _____	Golden Hour:	\$ _____
Loaves & Fishes:	\$ _____	Out of the Cold:	\$ _____
Martin Luther University College:	\$ _____	Sunday School:	\$ _____
Canadian Lutheran World Relief:	\$ _____	Refugee Fund:	\$ _____
Other: (<i>please specify</i>)	\$ _____	Other: (<i>please specify</i>)	\$ _____

Bank/Institution No: _____ Transit/Branch No: _____ Account No: _____

OR Please attach a VOID cheque.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Note: The United Church of Canada kindly administers this program on behalf of St. Matthews (Kitchener) Lutheran Church.

Legal Information

- I may change the amount of my contribution at any time subject to providing written notice.
- I may revoke my authorization at any time, subject to providing written notice in advance.
- I have certain recourse rights if any debit does not comply with this agreement. For example, I have the right to receive reimbursement for any debit that is not authorized or is not consistent with this pre-authorized remittance agreement
- I waive my right to receive pre-notification of the amount of the pre-authorized remittance and agree that I do not require advance notice of the amount of pre-authorized remittance before the debit is processed.
- The use, retention and disclosure of personal information collected from this form is done in compliance with privacy legislation, including but not limited to, the Personal Information Protection and Electronic Documents Act (2000, c.5).