



# **Endowment Fund**

*Chapel in the Pines Presbyterian Church, Inc.*

August 2025

Dear Chapel in the Pines Congregation,

Annually in August, materials are sent to members about our endowment and planned giving opportunities to share with advisors and family during end-of-year tax discussions. Waiting until the holidays may be too late for making decisions and processing documents, so we trust getting this to you early will be beneficial to all.

*Chapel in the Pines Presbyterian Church, Inc.*, (the legal name of our church for Wills and Bequests), established an Endowment Fund in 2023 under the watchful eyes of the Presbyterian Foundation (PCUSA), a leader in church endowment management for over two centuries with 7,000 endowments and over \$2 billion under management.

Enclosed is a **Planned Giving Opportunities** brochure to share with family members, attorneys, and financial advisors. Any of the methods highlighted in the brochure can help expand our church's endowment and ministries for generations of believers to come.

On June 30, 2025, our Endowment Fund's investment with the Foundation was nearly \$65,000. We are pleased that several members recently notified our treasurer of additions to, or changes in, their Wills to benefit our endowment. These are indeed wonderful endorsements of our church's ministries and future direction.

Young families within our church might consider how gift planning can assist in guiding loved ones regarding their wishes for legacy giving. Establishing a Will to protect children from probate challenges is a wise decision to make sooner than later. If this annual reminder of estate planning protects our youngest disciples and their futures, we have accomplished a valuable service, indeed. May it be so.

We ask that you prayerfully consider this financial-ministry opportunity now and in the future (see back of this letter). Should you, your family, or advisors need to discuss this further, please contact our treasurer (Tim White) at [treasurer@citppc.org](mailto:treasurer@citppc.org) (our liaison with the Foundation who facilitates answers to inquiries and maintains records of Wills and Bequests).

In hope and faith,

**Finance & Administration Committee of the Session:** Sam Jackson (*elder and chair*); Joyce Brennan, Stan Campbell, Deborah Kay Hughes, Sarah McCormack, Andrew Taylor-Troutman, Jerry Wehmuehler (*assistant treasurer*), Tim White (*treasurer*)

*The cost of this mailing was donated by a couple who are passionate about our Endowment Fund's future. Thank you! The enclosed brochure (and other pamphlets about gift planning) is posted on our website for sharing with others (click "Give" on top banner of website's home page; then click the link in "Endowment Fund" sentence on "Give" page).*



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*If you have included CIP in your Will, or plan to do so in the near future, please notify our treasurer (Tim White) by completing the form below and returning it to the address shown, or by emailing him at [treasurer@citppc.org](mailto:treasurer@citppc.org), or by contacting the church office at 919-960-0616.*

*The treasurer keeps a confidential list of expectancies (future gifts via bequests) so that important communication regarding new laws or regulations (or Foundation changes) can be sent to the proper members.*

*To Tim White, treasurer, Chapel in the Pines Presbyterian Church:*

\_\_\_\_\_ I/we (\_\_\_\_\_) has/have already placed CIP in our Will(s).

\_\_\_\_\_ I/we (\_\_\_\_\_) am/are including CIP in our Will(s).

\_\_\_\_\_ I/we (\_\_\_\_\_) am/are including CIP in our Will(s) and may need assistance in answering questions from our family, lawyer, or financial advisor. I/we will contact you soon.

*Legal name of church: Chapel in the Pines Presbyterian Church, Inc. (mention it's in Chapel Hill, NC, as there are other Chapel in the Pines churches nationally).*

*Church address: 314 Great Ridge Parkway, Chapel Hill, NC, 27516*

*Website: [www.citppc.org](http://www.citppc.org)*

*NOTE: If you wish to make a gift from a Fidelity Charitable account, CIP is linked within their system so that the church's information populates when requesting a grant; and funds transfer electronically to our bank account rather than via a check in the mail.*