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**Thanking and acknowledging donors and their intentions**

Your gift to the United Thank Offering Memorial Trust is tax-deductible. After donating, you will receive a thank-you card that conforms to Internal Revenue Service standards.

If your donation was made in the name of a person or family and you provided us with their address, then we will send an acknowledgment card informing them of your generous gift to the Memorial Trust on their behalf.

Additionally, your name and the intention of your gift will be added to the Memorial Trust Book. The book is available digitally on the UTO website (unitedthankoffering.com/memorial-trust), and the bound version is displayed at General Convention.

**REMEMBERING THE MEMORIAL TRUST IN YOUR WILL**

If participating in the spiritual discipline of gratitude has impacted your life, we invite you to consider remembering the Memorial Trust in your will so that this ministry will continue to serve new generations and teach generosity and gratitude throughout the church.

If you would like to include the Memorial Trust Fund in your will, please visit: episcopalchurch.org/files/wills_bequest_language_for_web_20160426.pdf

For stock donations: episcopalchurch.org/files/contribution_instructions.pdf

**HISTORY OF THE MEMORIAL TRUST FUND**

The United Thank Offering Memorial Trust Fund was established at the 1982 Triennial Meeting when the new structure and function of the United Thank Offering Committee (now designated as a Board) was approved. This new Trust was established to defray the costs of the work of the committee. The women of The Episcopal Church took this action to ensure that, from that time forward, every penny collected from UTO Ingatherings would be used solely for mission and ministry.

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The Episcopal Church Memorial Trust Fund

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- In recognition for faithful service in ministry, leadership or friendship,
- For special events, such as births, confirmations, weddings, birthdays, and achievements,
- Or in loving memory of a cherished friend, relative, church member or leader.

The Memorial Trust in action:
As a result of the establishment of the Memorial Trust Fund, no United Thank Offering (UTO) administrative or staffing costs are paid for by the annual UTO Ingathering. All funds collected from Ingatherings are awarded as grants the following year. Earnings from the Trust cover 65% of the United Thank Offering’s annual budget, with the remainder provided by other trusts (17%) and by General Convention (18%). Additionally, the Trust promotes participation in the spiritual discipline of gratitude, which is the foundation of the United Thank Offering, by funding the creation and production of printed and online materials, videos, social media, smartphone apps, and more. Finally, the Trust allows the staff and Board to promote the United Thank Offering, administer the annual granting process, and respond to the needs of UTO members and its grassroots network.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GIFT!

Donor Information Please fill out this section so that we can acknowledge your gift and provide a tax-deductible receipt.

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Tribute Information We will send a card to the person(s) for whom your gift is given if you provide the following information:

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