

How to Donate to the Bridge Fund

The logistics for Bridge Fund pledges and donations are simple:

- 1) Notify the St. Luke's Financial Contributions Officer of your pledge, and
- 2) Make your donation in one, two, or three payments.

Question 1: How do I set up a pledge to the St. Luke's Bridge Fund?

Answer: There are several ways to notify the Financial Contributions Officer (Arlene Antonicelli) of your intention to pledge to the Bridge Fund:

- Fill out the attached Bridge Fund Pledge form and either drop it in the collection basket on Sunday, mail it to the office, or hand it to Arlene; OR
- Send an email to pledge@stlukesbethesda.org stating your name and amount you wish to pledge; OR
- Log on to the stlukesbethesda.org website, click on the "Pledge Now" button on the bottom right of the home page, fill in the requested information (make sure you indicate that this is a **Bridge Fund Pledge**), and click "Send Pledge Request"; OR
- Call the St Luke's office at 301-530-1800 and leave a message for Arlene.

Question 2: How do I make a payment to the St. Luke's Bridge Fund?

Answer: Since the Bridge Fund pledges are intended to be paid in one, two, or three payments, there is no need for a special envelope for your Bridge Fund pledge payment(s). You may pay in any of the following ways:

- Write a check with "Bridge Fund" clearly noted on the check's memo line and either drop it in the basket or mail it to the office. You may also put the Bridge Fund donation check in your annual pledge envelope.
- Send your payment electronically via your bank's "bill pay" option, making sure to specify that the payment is for your Bridge Fund pledge.
- Use PayPal, specifying that the payment is for the Bridge Fund. (Keep in mind that PayPal keeps approximately 3% of your donation as a service fee.)
- Some parishioners prefer to donate securities (i.e., stocks or mutual funds) directly to St. Luke's. See the attached instructions.

Question 3: What else do I need to know?

Answer:

- The Bridge Fund pledge amount will appear on your quarterly and annual contribution statements along with your Annual Pledge information and all donations received by SLC.
- If you are unable to pledge, you can still make a donation(s) to the Bridge Fund by any of the methods described above in Question 2.
- Your pledge number will be the same for your annual pledge and your Bridge Fund pledge.

Please contact Arlene Antonicelli at contributions@stlukesbethesda.org if you have any questions.

Bridge Fund Pledge Form

Name: _____

Street: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Pledge envelope #: _____

Total amount pledged to Bridge Fund: \$ _____

Amount to be paid by 12/31/2017: \$ _____

Amount to be paid by 05/31/2018: \$ _____

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