



**Trinity-St. Paul's United Church and  
Centre for Faith, Justice and the Arts**

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## Season for Commitment Stewardship as Grateful Giving 2009 for 2010

### 2010 Commitment Form

This commitment form invites you to:

- ◆ *reflect with gratitude on all you have been given in your life and on all that you are grateful for at Trinity-St. Paul's;*
- ◆ *consider how you intend to offer your financial resources with gratitude to the ministry of Trinity-St. Paul's United Church and the Mission & Service Fund of the United Church of Canada;*
- ◆ *discern what time and talents you want to use with gratitude to further the ministry of our congregation;*
- ◆ *act by making a concrete commitment.*

When you have completed this commitment form please place it on the offering plate during Sunday worship or mail it to the TSP office at:  
427 Bloor St. W., Toronto, ON M5S 1X7.

**Thank you!**

## Financial Resources

### For the Fall Appeal:

I/we wish to help reduce the 2009 deficit of \$42,000 by contributing \$\_\_\_\_\_ enclosed  to follow

*My/our current weekly contribution is \$ \_\_\_\_\_*

*OR my/our current monthly contribution: \$ \_\_\_\_\_*

### For my/our 2010 financial commitment:

I/we intend to make weekly contributions of \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**OR**, monthly contributions of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ beginning in

January 2010 for an annual amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_

This financial contribution should be divided as follows:

- Local church expenses \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (week, month)
- Mission & Service Fund \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (week, month)

### **Preferred method of giving:**

PAR (Pre-authorized bank withdrawal)

If you are joining this program for the first time, fill out the PAR form provided and enclose with the commitment form.

Offering envelopes

*It is understood that this contribution may be changed at any time at my/our discretion.*

Name(s):

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## ***Resources of Time and Talent***

*The organizational structure of Trinity-St. Paul's is made up of four circles. Here are some opportunities to use your time and talents in 2009 listed in the ministry areas of the circles.*

### **1. Nurturing Community & Discipleship**

*Welcome & hospitality:*

- staffing welcome table before and after church
- greeting at door on Sunday & after church
- helping with the Welcome Back Lunch
- helping with meals and special events
- making coffee and cleaning up after church
- offering a ride to church

*Pastoral care:*

- participating in the Pastoral Care Team
- helping with the funeral phone tree and receptions
- visiting or distributing flowers
- sending cards for special and sad occasions

*Helping the congregation develop its stewardship:*

- planning & implementing Season of Commitment
- helping host or organize fellowship dinners
- facilitating time and talent

*Building inclusive community and honouring our commitments as an affirming congregation:*

- helping with celebrating diversity events
- participating in the Anti-Racism group

*Communication:*

- writing for TSP Times
- helping to edit and format the TSP Times
- helping with the TSP website
- assisting with mailings

### **2. Worship & Faith Formation**

*Activities within the congregation to learn about and express our Christian faith:*

- teaching in Children's Church programme
- working with youth
- providing nursery care
- participating in study groups - on what subjects?
- leading study groups - please suggest the topic

*Engage in spiritual reflection and practice:*

- participating in spirituality group
- participating in prayer group
- write and offer Sunday prayers of the people

*Other Groups:*

- participating in YouthonBloor
- participating in Subversive Oasis group
- participating in Young Adults Group

*Leadership development and support:*

- acting as a mentor for new members
- serving on discernment or support committees for candidates for ministry

*Creation of Worship:*

- singing in the choir
- playing a musical instrument
- reading scripture
- participating in communion coordinators team
- serving communion
- participating in worship planning group
- decorating the sanctuary
- arranging flowers

### 3. Public Witness

*Communicating our mission outside the congregation:*

- creating banners for the outside of the church
- keeping bulletin boards up-to-date

*Reaching out to our neighbours:*

- preparing flyers at Christmas and other times
- distributing flyers
- meeting with faith partners around arising issues

*Advocacy in community & society:*

- participating in aboriginal justice group
- participating in restorative justice group
- participating in housing & homelessness advocacy
- participating in Middle East working group
- volunteering in hospitality programmes

*Community partnerships (arts, social justice)*

*Education and awareness building:*

- giving leadership in global gossip sessions
- participating in global gossip sessions

*Other ideas for Public Witness:*

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### 4. Stewardship of Resources

*Congregational finances:*

- taking up the offering
- counting money
- helping with the envelopes
- helping with alternative Christmas giving

*Use of building & equipment:*

- gardening
- computer consulting
- helping with use of audio-visual equipment
- painting or repairs
- maintaining the kitchens
- helping with greening sacred spaces

*Other ideas:*

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