

## e-Giving – Electronic Giving Instructions

You will be able to e-Give one of three ways:



1. Visit the FLC website at <http://www.firstglencoe.org>
2. Click on the “Giving” tab (across the top), and then the “Online Giving” (left side).
3. Here enter the amount, select frequency and date, then click “Continue.”
4. At the next screen, input your contact and payment information (checking/savings account or credit/debit card). Click “Process” to confirm



and complete!

Establishing a personal profile with a login/password allows you to manage your personal information and update donations, frequency, and payment methods. You also can view your complete online giving history!



### MOBILE APP OPTION (for your Smartphone and Tablet):

1. Download the “GivePlus Church” app from the App Store or Google Play.
2. Open the “GivePlus Church” app and search for First Ev. Lutheran Church (you can type the name or tap *Find Churches Near Me* to start your search. Select First Ev. Lutheran. After the first time, your selected church will display as the default.)
3. Tap “Donate Now.”
4. Choose a fund and a pre-set amount or enter another amount. You can donate one-time or set up a recurring schedule. You can also give to multiple funds by selecting “Add.”
5. Scan or enter your payment information. Review the summary and then select “Complete Donation.”

**Note –** The first time you utilize, you’ll create a personal account with an email address and password. Establishing this allows you to manage your personal information and add/update donations, frequency, and payment methods. You will be able to view your complete online giving history (takes about 24 hours for donations to process).



1. Text the amount of your contribution to **320-381-1360** (this # is assigned to First Ev. Lutheran).
2. The first time you text, you will receive a registration link. Click to enter your contact and payment information (*credit/debit card only, no bank accounts*). Tap “Process.”
3. After registration is complete, you will receive an immediate verification text as well as a receipt email.

Special texting codes will be established for particular fund appeals (i.e. Angel Seeds). Donors can text “Repeat” to make a previous donation repeat or text “Schedule” to set up a recurring donation. Contact the church office for info on other keyword codes to manage text giving. Giving History is not currently available with Text Giving; however, you will receive email receipt of donation and will always be included in your offering history from the Church Office.

e-Giving is a convenient, consistent way to help our church grow. Electronic gifts are fast and secure, allowing you to quickly and easily give through an ACH transfer from your bank account or using your credit/debit card.

At First Ev. Lutheran, we want to offer our members and visitors options to contribute financially to our work and ministry. While you can always make gifts via the usual methods of cash or checks via the offering envelopes/collection plate, you now have additional choices. We want to offer options so that people can give how and when they want.

People go online almost every day to communicate, get news or shop. If it seems like there is a app for everything these days – paying for coffee, checking in for a flight, arranging for a ride – it's because apps make life easier. Many people also pay their monthly bills online. Texting is so popular because it's fast and simple! Now you can use these same conveniences for tithes and offerings.

e-Giving allows you to:

- Give anytime and anywhere
- Set up and manage recurring donations
- Make one-time donations to special appeals
- Safely, securely and confidentially make donations using a bank account or credit/debit card
- Your electronic donations will be tracked and you can view your complete electronic giving history online.

Processing/transaction fees are charged for the electronic donations. (ACH bank transfers are charged .6% plus 20 cents per transaction and credit/debit cards are charged 2.95% plus 45 cents per transaction.) Choosing the ACH bank transfer method is the most economical for First Ev. Lutheran, but we want donors to feel free to choose the option best for their particular situation. (If you wish to offset the processing fees, you can opt to cover this at the time of your gift.)

First Ev. Lutheran has offered Online Giving for a couple of years now and its usage has steadily increased. We decided to add the Mobile App and Text options to give donors more options.

Electronic Giving allows our members and visitors to conveniently give when they don't have cash or checks with them. It's fast and easy – no longer a need to prepare weekly donation envelopes. It allows donors to respond to special appeals, and give whenever they are moved and from wherever they are. It's very simple to set up a recurring giving plan so that gifts can continue uninterrupted even when travel, illness or other circumstances prevent one from attending services. Your efforts to make consistent donations throughout the year, especially during popular winter and summer travel periods, are much appreciated.

We welcome all donations through any method you prefer. Whether traditional or electronic, it is through the donations of every individual and family in this congregation that we are able to carry on our work. As you contemplate your giving, please know that we depend on and greatly appreciate your support!