



Brunswick Uniting Church

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Giving for Mission - Methods - Sunday, May 7, 2017

If you are reading this, we guess that you are interested in making a regular commitment to the financial support of God's mission through Brunswick Uniting Church.

Thank you.

This note outlines some ways that you can organise that support. It's up to you what you choose and we don't have a preferred or standard approach.

- **Traditional open plate** is the familiar method that has been used for many years. It is as simple as ensuring that you have some cash with you and dropping it in the plate during the collection time during worship.
- **Dated envelopes** are a variation on open plate, where you have a set of envelopes – one for each Sunday of the year. They act as a reminder and keep the amount of your gift a private matter. We have sets of envelopes available, with date stickers. Just collect them from the back of the church, or ask Mal Rowe for a set. Drop the envelope in the collection plate.
- **Direct Debit** automates the whole process – you give the Uniting Church permission to draw a set amount from your bank account on a regular basis. It's all automatic and you don't need to have cash or envelopes with you on Sundays – or even to be at a particular service. Forms are available from our treasurer, Linda Wannan. You are still in charge, and changes to the amount you give are easy – no need to complete any new forms, you just send an email to info@ucafunds.com.au. Simply state your current direct offering amount and the amount you want to increase / alter it to and it will be adjusted.
- **Bank transfer** is something that you can set up yourself through your bank. You just arrange with your bank to transfer an amount you choose on the regular dates you choose. Most banks will allow you to do that via on-line banking. You need to know the name of the BUC account and its BSB and account numbers – so here they are:

Account: Uniting Church Brunswick,
 BSB 013-236, Account Number 0086 – 87863

We also ask that you include words like '**Gift to BUC**' or '**Gift from <name>**' so that we can identify these amounts as gifts rather than payments of invoices etc.

- **Allocate interest from your investment.** If you happen to have some money to invest, just place an amount in the UCA Funds portfolio and allocate the interest to BUC. Interest allocated to BUC is not part of your taxable income, but rather part of BUC taxable income – and that means no tax is payable on the amount. Linda Wannan can make the connections for anyone who wants to give in this way or see:

<http://www.ucafunds.com.au/Products/Personal-Investors/Pages/Special-Assistance-Plan.aspx>

So thanks again, and do feel free to ask questions and discuss any of these options with Linda Wannan, Tim Budge or Mal Rowe of the BUC finance Committee.