

TITHE.LY GIVING DESCRIPTIONS

Offering/General Fund: Funds which cover the operating expenses of the church.

Local Mutual Aid Fund: [Decorah and Winneshiek County Mutual Aid Network](#) was established to provide neighbor to neighbor assistance in the area during the Covid-19 outbreak.

[Lutheran Disaster Response:](#) The ELCA provides ongoing assistance to those in need.

Memorials: Memorials are given to honor loved ones or in thanksgiving for special events. They may be designated for a specific use or undesignated. Good Shepherd adopted a Policy for Special Gifts and Memorials in 2012. New memorials should be established in consultation with Pastor Amy. [Good Shepherd's Policy for Special Gifts and Memorials](#)

Mission Endowment Fund: Gifts to this fund support the work and mission outreach of Good Shepherd for future decades by providing income, often beyond the lifetime of the giver. Gifts of money, financial instruments, and offers of physical property are welcome. To arrange for such gifts, consult with Pastor Amy. The Fund:

- 1) Provides grants to congregation members for the development of current and future Church leaders in addition to financial support provided by the congregation's operating budget.
- 2) Provides EPIC Scholarships to congregational members who are enrolled full-time at an ELCA college or university.