



GIFT AID DECLARATION

I require Duke Street Church (Richmond-upon-Thames), which is a registered Charity (Registration number 1134492) to treat all donations that I have made since 6-April 2014 and all donations from the date of this declaration until I notify otherwise as Gift Aid donations.

I confirm I have paid or will pay an amount of Income Tax and/or Capital Gains Tax for the current tax year (6 April to 5 April) that is at least equal to the amount of tax that all the charities and Community Amateur Sports Clubs (CASCs) that I donate to will reclaim on my gifts for the current tax year. I understand that other taxes such as VAT and Council Tax do not qualify, and I understand that if I pay less income tax and/or Capital Gains tax in a tax year than the amount of Gift Aid claimed on all of my donations in that tax year, it is my responsibility to pay any difference.

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	Postcode
Signed	<input type="text"/>
Dated	<input type="text"/>

Please notify us of any changes to your circumstances which lead to you paying less tax than the amount that Duke Street Church reclaims from HMRC.



Giving Financially to Duke Street Church

Our Mission is to glorify God by making disciples from all nations, and we seek to achieve this through our strategy of "reaching out, building up and sending out." This strategy cannot be achieved without the generous giving of hundreds of individual donors.

The Bible teaches that everything that we have has been given to us by the Lord for us to steward and use for his purposes. Whilst his purposes are expansive it is clear in scripture that we should be generous and sacrificial with all that we have – which is inclusive of our minds; our skills and attributes; our time; and our money.

In being called to give, Christians are being called to follow the model and character of our Lord and Saviour, Christ Jesus. He, who is by very nature God, gave up the status and riches that he had by the Father's side to become human and ultimately give his life so that we might be saved. Indeed, Paul gives encouragement to the Corinthians saying "For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sake he became poor, so that you by his poverty might become rich." (2 Corinthians 8:9)

Where Your Giving Goes

We are incredibly grateful to all our supporters for their prayerful, faithful and sacrificial giving. Whilst the Church continues opening and putting on its regular ministries week by week, money is always a necessary limiting factor. Therefore, a budget is approved by the church members each November to set expenditure for the year ahead. We base this on the income that we expect to receive, and so our activities are planned around what we anticipate we can afford. Given our Church budget and spending is based on expected income; it is helpful to us if you can share your intent for giving with us.

The Church Redevelopment Project and our current debt

Since 2008 we have completed two phases of a large Church Redevelopment Project. The Church now has a fantastic space for ministries, offices and the café, as well as being wheelchair accessible, although this did come at a cost: Phase I and Phase II of the Redevelopment cost £4.1 million and £200,000 respectively. Whilst a lot of this has already been funded, we do have a significant debt remaining of just under £1M, which costs a considerable amount each month in capital and interest. Clearing this debt is therefore a high priority – and if you felt able to contribute to this, relieving the burden of the debt would have a great impact in allowing us to redirect resources elsewhere.

How to Give Financially to Duke Street Church

There are a number of different ways that you can give to the work of the church:

1. Through the Bank

A Regular Payment or Standing Order

You can set up a regular payment, also known as a standing order directly from your bank account, which can be weekly, monthly, quarterly or annually. You can setup a standing order through online banking, telephone banking or in person at your local bank branch.

Bank Transfer

You can give a gift to the church by a one-off bank transfer to the church account.

What your Bank needs to know about Duke Street

Account: Duke Street Church

Sort Code: 20-72-33

Account No: 00335703

Please ensure that your standing order or transfer includes a reference (usually a surname) so we can correctly identify your payment

2. Giving Cash

You can make cash donations to the church when the offering is taken on a Sunday. If you would like to Gift Aid your cash donation, then please put your cash donation in a yellow envelope.

3. Giving by Cheque

You can make cheque payments to us. Please make cheques payable to 'Duke Street Church' and place them in the offering bags on Sunday.

4. Charity Giving

If you have an account with CAF (Charity Aid Foundation), Give As You Earn or Stewardship, you can make payments through your account to the Church. Please arrange for payments to be made to 'Duke Street Church', Charity No. 1134492.

5. Legacies

We are incredibly grateful for those who have remembered Duke Street Church in their Wills. This generous giving has been a tremendous blessing to the Church and has been a vital source of income. We would like to encourage the Church family to consider including Duke Street Church in their Wills. For more information about how to do this, please contact Jonathan Niblett, the Church Treasurer.

Keeping You Informed

If you have any questions or would like to discuss your giving, please call the church office on 020 8940 1551 or email Joy Pryor on joy.pryor@dukestreetchurch.com.

All donations are managed and reported in our ChurchSuite system, and at the end of every tax year, we will provide you with a detailed statement which lists all donations, including the date and amount. Please be assured that your giving continues to be held and treated with the strictest confidence.



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How Does It Work?

The Gift Aid Scheme allows taxpayers to give to charities in such a way that tax you have already paid can be claimed back by the Church and added to your giving. Charities can claim back an extra 25p for every £1 you give.

Can Anyone Gift Aid their Donations?

You need to be a UK taxpayer and pay enough Income Tax (at whatever rate) or Capital Gains Tax in each tax year to cover the tax reclaimed on your giving. Taxes such as VAT and Council Tax do not qualify.

What Do I Need To Do for the Church to Claim Gift Aid?

In order for the Church to recover Gift Aid on your donation, you need to make a Gift Aid Declaration. Please see over the page for the Gift Aid Declaration Form. This confirms that you have paid, or will pay an amount of Income Tax and/or Capital Gains Tax for the current tax year (6 April to 5 April) that is at least equal to the amount of tax that the Church will reclaim on your donation. Other taxes such as VAT and Council Tax do not qualify for the Gift Aid Scheme.

All records kept for Gift Aid purposes are required to be accurate and up to date. Please let the church office know if your circumstances change and your gift is no longer eligible for Gift Aid.

Can Gift Aid be Claimed on Cash or Cheque Donations?

Yes, it can be but you will need to donate using a yellow envelope. You will need to write your name and address on it and sign it, and then place it in the offering bags when the offering is taken.

And If I Pay Higher Rate Tax?

If you pay tax at the higher or additional rate, you can claim the difference between the rate you pay and basic rate on your donation. For more information, please see the government website: www.gov.uk/donating-to-charity/gift-aid

Can Gift Aid be Claimed on Charity Giving?

Please note that payments made through these organisations are not eligible for Gift Aid.