



TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH
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Faithful Journey ~ 2012
Invitation to PAR

Trinity's Long and Faithful Journey

In 1994, Trinity pioneered a program which has now spread across the Lutheran church. We had learned that the stewardship office of the United Church of Canada was experimenting with Pre-Authorized Remittances or "PAR" for short. These are electronic transfers which flow from one bank to another.

Today, everyone is familiar with them because that's how we take care of cable and phone bills, heat and hydro payments, insurance payments and many other day-to-day transactions.

So, in 1994, we asked the United Church whether we could PARTicipate in their program. They thought it was a great idea!

Well, things have moved on and everyone's doing it. Lutherans do it. Anglicans do it. Mennonites, Presbyterians and Roman Catholics do it. Everyone does it!

PARticipation offers some terrific advantages to the contributor!

- PAR takes regular stewardship seriously. We provide for God's mission and Trinity's ministry "off the top".
- PAR allows us to make our stewardship part of our over-all financial planning.
- PAR insures that our support is maintained even when we are on vacation or away.
- PAR reduces cheque-writing and the number of transactions through our accounts.

PARticipation offers some terrific advantages to the church!

- PAR insures a regular cash flow and improves Trinity's financial stability.
- PAR reduces paper-work & and the chance of bookkeeping errors.
- PAR means that we will no longer have to issue as many envelope sets every year. Beginning in 2013, envelopes will not be issued to people on PAR. Of course, offering envelopes for special occasions will still be available in the narthex and through TRINITY DOVE and regular offering statements and annual tax receipts will be issued whether people are on PAR or not.

PARticipation can change!

- You may change your PAR at any time. In fact, we encourage people to review their stewardship annually, especially in connection with the new year.

PARticipation is as easy as One, Two Three!

- One... Decide on the amount of your monthly contribution and fill out a PAR form.
- Two... Attach a cheque marked "VOID."
- Three... Return your form and VOID cheque to the church.