



Offering Our Time and Talents in 2021

We give thanks and care for our community by offering our time and talents. Please use this form to indicate some ways you are willing to help during the coming year. Which of the activities below draw on your talents and give you joy? You'll notice that some of these tasks are particularly suited to this time when our opportunities for in-person gathering are limited. All are important to our congregation's ministry!

If this form is being completed by a family, please indicate the initials of each family member volunteering for an activity.

Name/s: _____

I am open to serving in the following ways:

WORSHIP

- _____ Reading scripture
- _____ Leading prayers
- _____ Serving as an usher (welcoming people as they arrive for worship, helping them find seats)
- _____ Playing an instrument: _____
- _____ Singing in the choir or a small ensemble
- _____ Helping to plan worship as part of the worship committee

OUTREACH

- _____ Assisting with the worship livestream or other video-related work
- _____ Providing IT support
- _____ Sharing our ministry with the wider community by:
 - ___ Taking photos
 - ___ Writing articles or blog posts
 - ___ Using social media
- _____ Imagining creative, faithful, fun ways to reach out to neighbors and friends beyond our membership

NURTURING OTHERS IN THE FAITH

- _____ Teaching or assisting with church school
- _____ Planning and/or leading occasional events for our congregation's youth and teenagers
- _____ Mentoring a confirmation student
- _____ Leading a Bible study or educational forum (online or otherwise)
- _____ Accompanying a new or prospective member

FELLOWSHIP

- _____ Planning or hosting an online social event for the congregation
- _____ Helping build community in my neighborhood group
- _____ Making phone calls to a list of members during times of confinement
- _____ Joining a care team

STEWARDSHIP

- _____ Helping others identify their gifts for ministry
- _____ Inspiring others to give joyfully
- _____ Working in the church garden
- _____ Assisting with occasional church office tasks
- _____ Helping with repairs and building maintenance

SHARING

- _____ Preparing food for the local soup kitchen
- _____ Proposing organizations for our congregation to support, both locally and globally
- _____ Helping build relationships with partner organizations and churches

HAVE ANOTHER IDEA?



Offering Our Financial Support in 2021

We give thanks and care for our community by offering our time, talents, and money toward our ministry together. Please use this form to indicate your expected financial contribution during the coming year. Some information on financial giving is on the back of this form.

If you need to change your estimate of giving at any time, you may do so by contacting the church office.

Name/s: _____

I/we intend to make a financial contribution to support the ministry of the
Evangelical Lutheran of Geneva, English-Speaking Congregation in 2021
in the amount of _____ CHF annually

**** Please return this form by post or email by 29 November 2020 ****

I plan to pay by:

Bank Transfer

Bank: Credit Suisse

Account Number: 226749-71 / Clearing Number: 4835

IBAN: CH15 0483 5022 6749 7 100 0

BIC/SWIFT: CRESCHZZ12A

Post Account

Number 12-9677-6

IBAN: CH13 0900 0000 1200 9677 6

Bulletins de versement (deposit slips) are available from the church office by request

U.S. Dollar Check

In U.S. dollars, please make check out to Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, and in the memo section print "GMG 0858"

I plan to make my payments:

each week

each month

each quarter

one payment for the year

other:

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

*For Geneva taxpayers, contributions to the ELCG can be deducted from the "cantonal et communal" tax.
For more information, please contact the church office.*

How Much Should I Give?

No one can answer that question for you. The enclosed handout “Stewardship in the English-Speaking Congregation” provides some guidelines to help in your thinking and praying.

Our congregation’s annual budget is currently around CHF 320,000. It is a modest and realistic budget, but everyone’s help is needed to meet it.

Here is a table representing how our members gave in 2019:

Total annual contribution	Number of households
Over Chf 15,000	1
10,000 to 14,999	5
5,000 to 9,999	12
2,000 to 4,999	30
1,000 to 1,999	28
500 to 999	12
250 to 499	9
1 to 249	9

Thank you for your generosity!