Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church

Lansdale, PA

We are called to embrace diversity and to connect all generations to God’s family.

The purpose of this form is to guide you as you plan a fundraising activity as part of Trinity Lutheran Church. Please read and prayerfully consider these guidelines for fundraising activities at our church, then respond to questions on the reverse side. When finished, please submit to the Chair of the Generosity Committee. You’re welcome to contact any member of the Generosity team with questions regarding this form. The current members of the Generosity Committee include Craig Dietterick, Bill Graeff, Betty Kern, Chris Johnson, and David Kratz.

**Fundraising Activity Considerations**

All fundraising activities at our church support the mission of our church, which is to embrace diversity and connect all generations to God’s family.

Fundraising activities should encourage a spirit of generosity. Generosity is our response to God’s free and undeserved gift of grace. Generosity responds to God’s grace with a spirit of gratitude and joy.

Fundraising activities are done to support a specific ministry or outreach beyond the limitations of the congregation’s regular budget.

Fundraising activities should be mindful of the needs, customs, and integrity of church ministries to avoid competition and duplication of efforts.

Consider fundraising activities that encourage a mindset of abundance, discipleship, and joy for those giving. Also, consider fund raisers that encourage the use of gifts like singing telegrams or cooking breakfasts.

The proceeds from fundraising activities should consider balancing the needs of the congregation’s ministries, local missions, and world-wide outreach.

Fundraising activities should promote the dignity of those involved, building a sense of community as the body of Christ.

Fundraising activities should be respectful to those unable to contribute.

Fundraising efforts should never be viewed as an alternative or substitute for sound stewardship practices. As members of the body of Christ, we have a responsibility to support the operational budget of the church out of the means God has given to us.

**Please submit Fundraising Activity Request form to the Generosity Committee four to six weeks prior to the date of your event. This will allow the Generosity Committee time to consider your request and follow up if necessary.**

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Fundraising Activity Request

1. **Event Information**

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| Name of Activity or Event: | |
| Brief Description of Event or Activity:  \_\_\_\_ Please check here is this Event or Activity has been conducted previously at our Church. | |
| Name of Ministry: | |
| Name of Hub: | Hub Leader Signature:  (The Hub leader may email a member of the Generosity Committee in lieu of signing this form.) |

1. **Fundraising Guidelines**

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| Does the Event or Activity for which you are submitting this form align with the Fundraising Considerations listed on the cover page of this form? Yes | No |
| You are welcome to elaborate on how this event or activity aligns with the fundraising considerations (optional): |

1. **Time, Place, and Staffing**

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| Tentative Date and Time of Event: | Will you use the church campus for this event? Yes | No |
| Do you anticipate needing any involvement of staff, equipment, or additional church support? Yes | No | |
| ***The organizers for this Event or Activity are responsible for scheduling it on the Church calendar and for making any requests for staff support. Please do this through the church office upon receiving approval from the Generosity Committee.*** | |

1. **Final Event Details**

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| What is your fundraising goal (amount of money)? | How many people will be involved in the planning and the fundraising event? |
| How will donors be thanked or recognized? | |

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|  | Name | Phone | Email |
| In charge of event |  |  |  |
| Alternate Contact (optional) |  |  |  |

**Please return this completed form to Bill Graeff (**[**graeff.bill@gmail.com**](mailto:graeff.bill@gmail.com)**).**

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| ***For Use by Generosity Committee:***  Date Submitted for review \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Schedule Confirmation: Y | N  Date reviewed \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Approved: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_   Denied: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  Signature Generosity Committee Chair or Designee:  \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |