



Greetings,

We are pleased to announce that our church has partnered with myEoffering in order to provide you with the convenience of online contribution. Online contribution refers to a process much like online bill pay, whereby donors opt to have their financial contributions to the church withdrawn directly from their credit, debit, checking, or savings account in lieu of bringing cash or paper checks each Sunday.

Many people are worried about the security of their financial data, especially with the headlines concerning identity theft. Rest assured that we chose myEoffering in part because of their strict security measures. They have passed all the required tests to be fully compliant with the Payment Card Industry Data Security Standards. This means that they are using the latest technologies available to protect against would-be data thieves. They have processed electronic donations for many churches in the United States and we feel comfortable in the security their service provides.

myEoffering has designed a secure, web-based platform in which donors may privately and prayerfully make one-time or recurring donations. Prayerful consideration of giving to God first enables you to witness a powerful sense of stewardship. You can customize a completely individual method of giving, based on how and when you receive your income - whether it be bi-weekly, monthly, or semi-monthly. By setting up recurring donations to be automatically debited from your account, it allows the church to better plan budgets and expenditures and provides a more accurate financial forecast. It also enables you to stay on the path of your contribution goals by ensuring that even if you are unable to attend church on a particular Sunday, you needn't worry about remembering to make that contribution the following week. With more consistent stewardship, our church is able to focus more on the ministry of God.

Signing up is as simple as going to our church website(www.stedwardparish.net) and clicking on the "Donate Now" button. You'll register an account and within minutes you will be giving your first online donation. The steps are outlined below.

The image shows a sequence of five screenshots from the myEoffering website, illustrating the steps to set up an electronic giving account:

- Step 1: Login Page** - Shows a login form with fields for Username and Password, and a "LOGIN" button. Below the form is a "Sign-Up" button. Text below: "After clicking 'Donate Now', you'll be taken to our church's myEoffering page. Simply click the 'Sign-up' button."
- Step 2: Registration Page** - Shows a registration form with fields for Church Name (dropdown), First Name, Last Name, Gender (radio buttons for Male/Female), Address, City, State (dropdown), and Zip. Text below: "Fill in your contact information, e-mail address, and password and click the 'Register' button."
- Step 3: E-mail Verification** - Shows a message: "You will receive an e-mail within a few minutes from myEoffering. Click that link to verify your e-mail address." Below is a "Login" form with fields for Username (pre-filled with "youremail@email.com") and Password, and a "LOGIN" button. Text below: "Your account has been activated. You may login. Now you can log in with your e-mail address and the password that you chose."
- Step 4: Electronic Giving Page** - Shows a "NEW DONATION" button. Below it, text says: "After you've logged in, it's as simple as clicking the 'New Donation' button...". Below that is a form with "Payment Type" (dropdown), "Amount to Donate" (input), and "Donation Frequency" (dropdown). Text below: "...Choose the amount and how often you'd like to give the offering..."
- Step 5: Payment Authorization** - Shows a form with fields for "Checking Account Number", "Routing Number (if Bank Draft)", and "Fund Type to Apply Payment" (dropdown). Below is an "AUTHORIZE PAYMENT" button. Text below: "...Enter your payment information and choose which fund to give to... ...And authorize the payment. Congratulations! You're now giving your offerings electronically!"

We invite you to try electronic contributions and we hope you find it very convenient. You can use any computer or mobile device to donate electronically. Or, if you don't have access to a computer but would still like your offerings to be deducted from your account, ask a member of the church administration for a signup form so they can set up your offering.

As always, we thank you for your generous sharing of treasures in the spirit and practice of stewardship.

May God Bless you!