

## Sample Bequest Language

A charitable bequest is the most common form of providing an ultimate gift for a charitable cause and to perpetuate a donor's life interest and influence into the future. A bequest is a provision in one's last will and testament where a gift or property is transferred from an estate to a charitable organization. A bequest can also be made by simply adding a codicil to an existing will.

### Specific Bequest:

I hereby give, devise and bequeath to St. Columba's Episcopal Church the sum of \$\_\_\_\_\_

Or

I hereby give, devise and bequeath to St. Columba's Episcopal Church the property described as \_\_\_\_\_ -

### Residual Bequest:

I hereby give, devise and bequeath to St. Columba's Episcopal Church the rest, remainder, and residue of my estate, or \_\_\_\_% (or fractional interest) of the rest, remainder and residue of my estate.

### Contingent Bequest:

If any or all of the above named beneficiaries do not survive me, then I hereby give the share that otherwise would be (his/hers/theirs) to St. Columba's Episcopal Church.

### General Bequest:

I hereby give, devise and bequeath to St. Columba's Episcopal Church the sum of \$\_\_\_\_\_, or \_\_\_\_\_%, or \_\_\_\_\_ fractional interest of my estate.

Provisions under the will can also be structured in such a way as to utilize and fund additional life income gifts or deferred gift arrangements.