

## First Presbyterian Church

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Dear First Presbyterian Church Members:

It is the smallest of all seeds, but when it has grown it is the greatest of all shrubs and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and make nests in its branches (Matthew 13:32).

Your Session has approved the creation of the **1917 Society**...a legacy group who have remembered our church in their wills (estates) and those who have indicated they will do so in the future. Specifically, the **1917 Society** is a way to say thank you to these members...both past and present.

The **1917 Society** is for any member who notifies the church that they have a planned gift, of any amount, designated for the church. This simple act makes them a member of the society. **1917 Society** members will be recognized annually and will be invited to the annual **1917 Society** celebration in the spring of each year. Society members will continue to be recognized in perpetuity even after their death so as to continue their faith legacy. Members who would prefer not to be named in the society but who would like to make a gift may request that they are listed as anonymous.

As we get closer to 2023 you will begin to see and hear more about the work of your Endowment Committee and how this important part of our church's ministry will insure our church's work both now and in the future.

Yours in Christ,

Mike Shelton

Pastor

Gerry Morie

Endowment Committee Chair