## **Direct Answers To Questions About Electronic Contribution**

- Q. What is electronic contribution?
- Electronic contribution is an automatic transfer program which allows you to make contributions without writing checks
- Q. What is the advantage of electronic contribution?
- A. It saves time. You also help the church stabilize its budget and save money
- Q. How is my electronic contribution automatically deducted from my account?
- A. Once you authorize the transfer, your specified contribution is electronically transferred directly from your checking or savings account to the church's account.
- Q. When will my contribution be deducted from my account?
- A. On the date you authorize.

- Q. If I do not write checks, how do I balance my checkbook?
- Since your contribution is made at a pre-established time, you simply record it in your check register on the appropriate date.
- Q. Without a canceled check, how can I prove I made my contribution?
- Your bank statement gives you an itemized list of electronic transfers. It is your proof of contribution.
- Q. Is electronic contribution risky?
- A. Electronic contribution is less risky than check contribution. It cannot be lost, stolen or destroyed. It has an extremely high rate of accuracy.
- Q. What if I change bank accounts?
- A. Notify us and we will give you a new authorization form to complete.

- Q. How much does electronic contribution cost?
- A. For you nothing!
- Q. What if I try electronic contribution and don't like it?
- A. You can cancel your authorization by notifying us any time. But, once you've enjoyed the convenience, time and money savings of electronic contribution, we doubt you will want to go back to making contributions the way you did before.
- Q. How do I sign up for electronic contribution?
- Complete and sign the authorization form below and return it to the church office along with a voided check or voided savings deposit slip.

Please attach voided check over section above.

AUTHORIZATION AGREEMENT FOR AUTOMATIC WITHDRAWAL OF FUNDS							
Westminister United Methodist Church				38112166441			
FOR OFFICE USE ONLY		ENVELOPE #			DATE		
Effective date of authorization:							
Type of authorization:	<ul> <li>q New authorization</li> <li>q Change banking information</li> <li>q Change donation amount</li> <li>q Discontinue electronic donation</li> <li>q Change donation date</li> </ul>						
Last Name			First	First Name			
Address							
City			State	State Zip			
Please debit my donation from my (check one):  Clecking Account (attach a voided check at the top of the page)  Savings Account (contact your financial institution for Routing #)			Routing Number:  Valid Routing # must start with 0, 1, 2, or 3  Account Number:				
Date of first donation:	Frequency of donation: (check only one)			Designated amount:			
	<ul> <li>Semi-Monthly – 5</li> <li>Monthly on the 5<sup>t</sup></li> <li>Monthly on the 20</li> </ul>	th		General	Fund	\$	
Special Instructions:							