



5944 Fulton Drive
Canton, Ohio 44718
Church Office: 330-499-8972
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Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) Authorization Agreement

Please Print:

Name(s) _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Phone _____

E-Mail Address: _____

Total Monthly Contribution: \$ _____, to be debited as follows:

\$ _____ on the 5th of each month

\$ _____ on the 20th of each month

Bank Name _____ City _____ State _____

Routing Number (See Below): _____ Account Number: _____

Account Type (Check One): Checking Savings

I authorize **Church of the Lakes** to initiate electronic debit entries from my account according to the information above. I understand that this authorization will remain in effect until I have cancelled or changed it in writing.

Signature _____ Date _____

STAPLE VOIDED CHECK BELOW

John & Mary Smith		1234
1000 Beacon Blvd		
Canton, OH 44718		
Date _____		
PAY TO THE ORDER OF _____		\$ _____
_____ Dollars		
ANY BANK Canton, OH 44718	Routing Number	Account Number
For _____		
:012345678 : ""4321009889"" 1234		

EFT at Church of the Lakes

EFT, or electronic funds transfer of regular church offerings, is available at Church of the Lakes. This is a convenient, monthly alternative for giving your regular financial support to Church of the Lakes' mission and ministry. You may enroll, modify, or terminate your EFT authorization at any time. To enroll, complete the enclosed authorization agreement and mail it, drop it off at the Church office, or place it in an offertory basket. Please mark it to the attention of "EFT Agreement" and it will be routed in confidence to the Church's Financial Secretary who will process all debits and record them on your giving statement.

Church of the Lakes
Attn: EFT Agreement
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Canton, OH 44718

Frequently Asked Questions

Q: Why would I want to give to the church electronically?

Many people who regularly tithe a portion of their income find electronic fund transfers are a convenient option. This is especially the case during times when you can not attend worship, such as vacations. EFT also streamlines receipt of your financial support by the Church and helps the church predict its income so that the mission and ministry of the church can be better planned.

Q: When would the EFT or Electronic Transfer take place?

Automatic contributions to Church of the Lakes will take place on the 5th and/or 20th of each month. You can choose to have your entire contribution debited on *either* the 5th or the 20th, or can select to have half of it debited on the 5th and the remaining half on the 20th. You should record your chosen debit amount(s) in your check register on the 5th and/or the 20th of each month. *If the 5th or 20th falls on a weekend or holiday, the amount will be debited on the next business day.*

Q: Are there any risks? How can I keep a record?

Electronic contributions are safer than writing a check. They can't be lost, stolen, or destroyed. While your check is handled by numerous people, your EFT will be processed electronically by the Church Financial Secretary who will provide you with periodic statements. The electronic funds transfer will also appear on your monthly checking statements.

Q: What if I want to make a change?

Simply complete a new authorization form and return it to the church office. Allow 2 weeks for processing of changes. You may increase, reduce, or stop your EFT at any time.

Q: What if I change banks?

If you change banks, simply complete a new authorization form and attach a voided check.

Q: What if I try EFT and don't like it?

You can cancel your authorization by notifying the Church of the Lakes Financial Secretary in writing 2 weeks prior to your next scheduled contribution.

Q: How do I participate in the weekly offering?

You may always give during worship as the spirit moves you to support special missions and ministries. Otherwise, you may simply write "EFT" on the offering envelope and place it in the collection tray. While doing this is not necessary, it is instructional as parents demonstrate their financial commitment to the church for their children during worship.

Q: Who should I contact with additional questions?

If you have questions or would like to submit or update your EFT form, please contact Church Financial Secretary Stephanie Strock at stephanie@churchofthelakes.org.