

The United Thank Offering

The United Thank Offering (UTO) is a ministry of the Episcopal Church. It is a ministry of gratitude and thanking God. The UTO calls individuals to be thankful for the good things that happen to us every day; give daily thanks to God for your blessing and make an offering for each blessing. It may be a big blessing such as recovery from an illness, or a college acceptance to your "reach school. Maybe it's a small blessing such as the young woman who held the door open for you as you struggled with your grocery bag or the birthday text from a friend. We are encouraged to notice these blessings and make an offering for each blessing. When you receive a blessing, place penny, nickel, dime, quarter or dollar in your UTO blue box. You may decide to keep small slips of paper near your UTO box, write down the blessing you received and put the paper in the box. Keep your box in a place where you will see it so that it will be a constant reminder to say thank you and hard to ignore. When you empty your box, review your blessings and remember the things for which you are thankful. Write a check, make a cash donation, or turn in your blue box of money. Then continue your lifestyle of gratitude - with a new blue box or keep the old one.

The money will be collected twice a year at our Parish Ingathering in the spring and fall and sent to the UTO of The Episcopal Church. 100% of the money collected goes to mission grants. The grants transform lives the United States and throughout the world. Your blessings become blessing for others.

The Episcopal Church Women will be distributing UTO Blue Boxes and envelopes during coffee hour. Please stop by the table to find out more about the UTO and get your blue box. Remember your blessings, remember your blue box!

