



# Religious Views and Donation

Most religions support donation as a demonstration of faith and love for others.

If you have questions about the position of your faith, we advise you to speak to your clergy or spiritual advisers.

## What do they believe?

**Amish:** Will consent if they believe it is for the well-being of the recipient

**Assembly of God:** Donation is supported but up to the individual

**Baptist:** Support donation as act of charity

**Brethren:** Adopted a resolution in 1993 encouraging donation

**Buddhism:** Donation left to individual's conscience

**Catholicism:** See donation as an act of charity and self-sacrifice

**Church of Christ Scientist:** Donation is a personal decision

**Episcopal:** 1982 resolution recognizes life-giving benefits of donation and encourages members to register as donors

**Evangelical Covenant Church:** Encourage donation and registry decision through 1982 resolution

**Greek Orthodox:** Not opposed to donation as long as it is for the improvement of disease treatment/prevention

**Hinduism:** Donation is an individual's choice

**Islam:** The Fiqh Council of North America permitted donation in 2019 as long as shar'i guidelines are met

**Judaism:** Donation is strongly encouraged

**Lutheran:** A 1984 resolution states donation contributes to the well-being of society

**Mennonite:** No formal position, up to the individual

**Mormon:** Decision to donate is an individual one

**Pentecostal:** Decision to donate should be up to individual

**Presbyterian:** Encourage and support donation

**Protestantism:** Encouraged but up to individual

**Sikh:** See donation as an act of selfless service

**Seventh-Day Adventist:** Strongly encourage donation

**Unitarian Universalist:** Organ and tissue donation widely supported

**United Church of Christ:** Donation is encouraged

Sources: Donate Life America and American Council on Transplantation



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