

NOVEMBER 14, 2021

WEEK 4

Stewardship Series

For Mature Audiences Only



WHY: GRACIOUS ON EVERY OCCASION



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Getting Started:

- This is our final week in our Stewardship Series! Begin your group time together by checking in with each other, and then have group members share: what is one thing that you've learned or done differently with your resources because of this series?
- Have a group member read this week's Scripture then open in prayer: Generous God who gives to us without hesitation, help us embody that same spirit of generosity. Give us eyes to see the need around us, make us willing to give when we can, and give us hearts full of gratitude. Amen.

2 Cor. 9:10-15

10Now he who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will also supply and increase your store of seed and will enlarge the harvest of your righteousness. 11You will be enriched in every way so that you can be generous on every occasion, and through us your generosity will result in thanksgiving to God. 12This service that you perform is not only supplying the needs of the Lord's people but is also overflowing in many expressions of thanks to God. 13Because of the service by which you have proved yourselves, others will praise God for the obedience that accompanies your confession of the gospel of Christ, and for your generosity in sharing with them and with everyone else. 14And in their prayers for you their hearts will go out to you, because of the surpassing grace God has given you. 15Thanks be to God for his indescribable gift!



St. Luke's
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
— OPEN FOR YOU —

Sermon & Scripture Discussion:

- This Sunday was Commitment Sunday, where we are invited to make a pledge declaring how we will give in the year to come. Is pledging part of your normal spiritual rhythm? What is the significance of pledging?
- In his sermon, Pastor Rob shares some of the reasons he pledges. Which of these reasons resonated the most with you?
- Re-read v. 12 of this week's Scripture. This verse reminds us that our generosity can have an even bigger impact than we might anticipate or imagine. Have you ever experienced this- either as the giver or receiver?
- Each year on Commitment Sunday, we take time to review the year behind us, and the ministry our giving has made possible. Think back to that video, or simply to your experiences in 2021. What were some significant ministry moments that you got to experience?
- As you close, take some time to think about the year ahead. Have each person name a hope they have for our church- it can be a ministry, a group of people to connect with, or anything that comes to mind. After each person has named something, spend time praying as a group for St. Luke's and for the future dreams that you have named.

Prayer Requests:



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