



Dear First Lutheran Members and Friends,

Grace and peace to you in the name of our abundant God!

This fall, as we enter a season of stewardship, we are centering our hearts and minds around the theme “Living in Abundance.” We live in a world that often tells us there is never enough—never enough time, money, or energy. But Scripture tells a different story. Our God is a God of abundance, not scarcity.

Each Sunday this fall, we will reflect on one of the many ways God pours out blessings in our lives:

- September 7 – Abundance of Creation (2 Corinthians 9:6-11; Mark 6:30-44)
- September 14 – Abundance of Time (1 Timothy 1:12-17; Luke 15:1-10)
- September 21 – Abundance of Talents (1 Timothy 2:1-7; Luke 16:1-13)
- September 28 – Abundance of Treasure (1 Timothy 6:6-19; Luke 16:19-31)
- October 5 & 12 – Abundance of Commitment (2 Timothy 1:1-14; Luke 17:5-10)

Through these texts, we are reminded that God has already provided more than enough to meet our needs and to bless the world through us.

As we reflect on abundance, we also give thanks for the incredible generosity and faithfulness you’ve shown through our Set Free capital campaign. This fall marks the conclusion of the first year of our two-year commitment to eliminate our building debt and invest fully in the ministry God is calling us toward.

In preparation for Commitment Services on October 5, October 8, and October 12, we encourage you to prayerfully consider growing in your giving, toward or beyond a tithe. We invite you to live in abundance this year through your time, talents, and financial gifts. Stewardship is not about obligation—it is our joyful response to the goodness of God.

Thank you for being part of this vibrant, generous, Christ-centered community. May we continue to be stewards of God’s abundance, trusting that we already have enough, because God is more than enough.

If you have questions or would like to know the current status of your 2025 donations, please don't hesitate to contact Greg or Maria in the church office.

With gratitude and hope,

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