



## abundance of COMMITMENT

*For God did not give us a spirit of cowardice but rather a spirit of power and of love and of self-discipline.*

*-2 Timothy 1:7*

The patience, tenacity, and endurance required for the life of faith are the blessings received in Holy Baptism, Holy Communion, and the Word read and proclaimed. Your time, talents, and treasures are valuable gifts from God, blessing you and those with whom you share them.

**Reflection:** How might I commit to celebrating and honoring the abundance that God has entrusted to my care?

## We Need You

We invite you to prayerfully reflect on how you live with abundance and share that abundance with the community. Whether it is an abundance of time, talents, or treasures—no matter the size or amount—God sees your gifts and they are an important step on your faith journey and essential for the church to plan the next season of ministry.

## Ways to Give



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## living in ABUNDANCE



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## TIME

*Which one of you, having one hundred sheep and losing one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the one that is lost until he finds it?*

*-Luke 15:4*

Leaving ninety-nine to find one seems a foolish use of time. Yet, Jesus, the good shepherd, takes the time to seek us out when we are lost.

We belong to God, and all we have belongs to God. Time is a precious gift in which we work, play, and rest. In Christ, we are freed to love, give, and serve, even when it seems foolish to the world.

**Reflection:** How can I use my time to share Jesus' love with others?

## abundance of TALENT

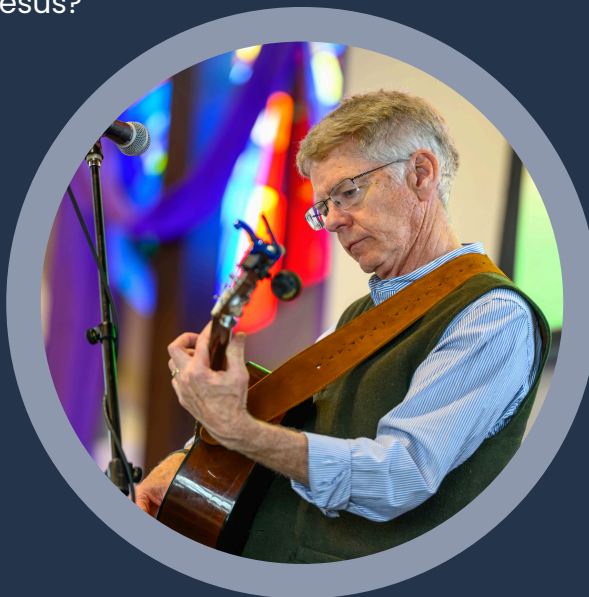


*Christ Jesus, himself human, who gave himself a ransom for all.*

*-1 Timothy 2:5-6*

As we are invited to consider what it means to be managers (rather than owners) of all that we have, it is crucial to recognize that we are bought with a price. Apart from the generosity of God, we have nothing. Our talents or abilities are not our own but are gifts to be managed for the sake of the kingdom. By God's gracious favor, we have everything we need.

**Reflection:** What talents and abilities can I share to serve others in the name of Jesus?



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## TREASURE

*They are to do good, to be rich in good works, generous, and ready to share.*

*-1 Timothy 6:18*

Consideration of and care for those in need is an essential component of good stewardship. It is in the sharing of wealth that we avoid the snare of wealth. It is the one who death could not hold - who comes to us risen from the dead - who can free us from the death grip of greed.

**Reflection:** How can I share generously from what God has entrusted to me to bless others, especially those in need?