

## WHAT ARE WE CALLED TO DO AS STEWARDS?

Christ has called upon us as God's stewards to equip ourselves to do God's work in the world. Before we can understand how we can do this work, we must ask ourselves several questions:

- *How has God blessed us in this life?*
- *How do we acknowledge our God-given gifts?*
- *How can we use the gifts we are given to faithfully minister to others and care for our world?*

Stewardship is acknowledging that God is the source of all we have and undertaking the responsibility to use our resources to help and serve others.

Stewardship is a joyful act. Collectively and individually, we make a conscious decision to praise God through our giving.



## HOW CAN WE BE GOOD STEWARDS?

We have so many opportunities to be good stewards of God's world:

*Sharing the Good News;*

*Seeking justice and peace and recognizing our interdependence in this diverse world;*

*Prayerfully employing our God-given human resources, abilities, and relationships;*

*Sharing our material resources and giving them in service, justice, and compassion;*

*Providing for future generations by sharing in the life, worship, and responsible stewardship of the Church and of its mission.*

## MAKING A FINANCIAL COMMITMENT

By making a financial pledge to St. Luke's, we commit the resources that God has given us and offer them in God's service. Only through our collective pledging efforts can we create a parish where worship, fellowship, outreach, and education can flourish.

## SUPPORTING OUR MISSION

The Mission of St. Luke's Episcopal Church is to live out our Baptismal Covenant to be the Body of Christ:

- by providing an inclusive, welcoming and supportive place for corporate worship;
- by continuing and furthering our ministry to and of our youth and children;
- by seeking and serving Christ in all persons and loving our neighbors as ourselves through an open-door ministry of community outreach to those in need and through joyous celebration of all our ministries; and
- by providing educational programs and facilities to teach us how to strive for justice and peace among all people, respect the dignity of every human being, and care for all God's creation.

Your financial gift helps bring St. Luke's mission to life. Only through your generous and responsible giving can many of these goals be realized in full.

***“All things come from you,  
O Lord, and of your own  
have we given you.”***

**I Chronicles 29:14**

**Proportionate Giving Chart**

	\$20,000	\$40,000	\$60,000	\$80,000	\$100,000	\$120,000	\$140,000	\$160,000
<b>If Income is:</b>	400	800	1,200	1,600	2,000	2,400	2,800	3,200
2%	800	1,600	2,400	3,200	4,000	4,800	5,600	6,400
4%	1,200	2,400	3,600	4,800	6,000	7,200	8,400	9,600
8%	1,600	3,200	4,800	6,400	8,000	9,600	11,200	12,800
10%	2,000	4,000	6,000	8,000	10,000	12,000	14,000	16,000
12%	2,400	4,800	7,200	9,600	12,000	14,400	16,800	19,200

**AN INVITATION TO PLEDGE**

Please join us in pledging to support the work of St. Luke’s Episcopal Church in 2007.

If you have any questions about making a financial gift or would like to speak to someone regarding your pledge, please reach out to a stewardship committee member:

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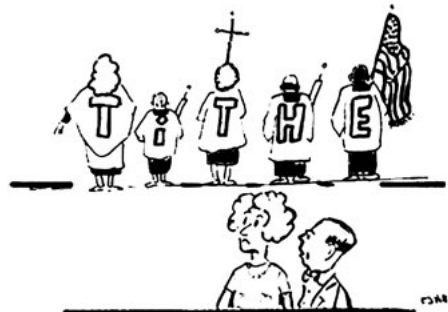
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**SHARING THE  
ABUNDANCE**

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**BEING STEWARDS OF  
GOD’S WORLD  
THROUGH FINANCIAL  
GIVING**

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***“The one who sows sparingly will  
also reap sparingly, and the one who  
sows bountifully will also reap  
bountifully... And God is able to  
provide you with every blessing in  
abundance, so that by always having  
enough of everything, you may share  
abundantly in every good work.”***

II Corinthians 9:6-9

