

October 2025

Stewards of God's Love: Down, In, Out

Jesus said, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.' This is the greatest and first commandment. And a second is like it: 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.'" — Matthew 22:37b-39

Dear faithful stewards,

We find ourselves in challenging times—for our families, for our neighbors, for our community, and for our world. How do we react? How do we respond? During this October's three-week stewardship journey, we look to God's grace and love handed **DOWN** to us, entrusting us with gifts and talents. We look to how we nurture and use these blessings **IN** our home and faith community, then to how we send **OUT** the fruits of efforts to our neighborhoods, our communities, and our world. This journey is a time for celebration for us in the Peace Lutheran Church community, as we take a look at the ministries we have built and the hard work of so many folks to support them. It is also a time of reflection as we ponder what more we can do with the gifts God has so graciously sent **DOWN** to us, how we can work **IN** our community to build and nurture these gifts, and how we can share **OUT** our gratefulness and love to our neighbors and the world.

A brochure is enclosed which asks us to prayerfully consider how we will challenge ourselves to become intentional, regular, proportionate, and generous with the time, relationships, talents, service, and treasure God has given us. A step chart is also enclosed that shows the range of financial giving to Peace Lutheran Church. Please consider moving up one step from your current giving toward the biblical standard of the tithe, sharing 10% of your income beyond yourself and family for God's work in the world. God knows our hearts, circumstances, and obligations and will help you discover the right gift for you. We pray you will take this opportunity to share the joy and excitement of shared service.

On Commitment Sunday October 19th, you're invited to bring your pledge of time, talent, and treasure to worship, or sometime that week mail it to the church as your commitment to serve God through Peace church ministries next year. On behalf of the Stewardship Team, may God continue to bless us as we serve God together in community as a response to God's love and faithfulness.

To finish this message, we pray...

Lord, Thank you for your love and your many gifts and blessings.

Thank you for our families and the love and support we share.

Make us faithful stewards of your love. Amen.

God's peace,

Melody Duke

Stewardship Chair

Melody L. Duke

John Stroeh

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Pastor

Peace Lutheran Church

Total Monthly Giving January - September 2025 \$601-1,000 \$1,000+

Please prayerfully consider...

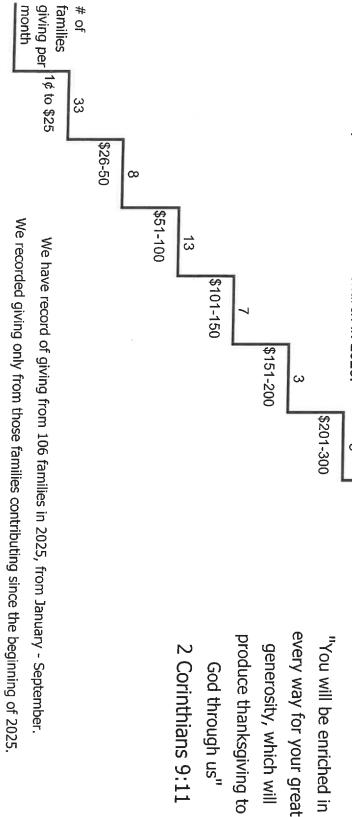
- 1. Which step do you stand on?
- 2. Could/would you go up to the next step?

toward the ministry of Peace Lutheran Church in 2026. Please use this step chart to help you make a pledge

\$301-400

\$401-500

\$501-600



average giving per month

If you do not use an offering envelope or a check we have no record of your giving.

Proportionate Giving Tables

Table 1

Current Weekly/Monthly Offering PLUS 10%

Present Offering	Plus 10% \$5.50				
\$5					
10	11.00				
15	16.50				
30	33.00 44.00 55.00				
40					
50					
80	88.00 110.00 330.00 440.00				
100					
300					
400					

Table 2

Weekly/Monthly Income Percentage

Income	2%	3%	4%	5%	6%	7%	8%	9%	Tithe 10%	11%	12%
\$300	\$6	\$9	\$12	\$15	\$18	\$21	\$24	\$27	\$30	\$33	\$36
400	8	12	16	20	24	28	32	36	40	44	48
500	10	15	20	25	30	35	40	45	50	55	60
600	12	18	24	30	36	42	48	54	60	66	72
700	14	21	28	35	42	49	56	63	70	77	84
800	16	24	32	40	48	56	64	72	80	88	96
900	18	27	36	45	54	63	72	81	90	99	108
1000	20	30	40	50	60	70	80	90	100	110	120
2000	40	60	80	100	120	140	160	180	200	220	240
2500	50	75	100	125	150	175	200	225	250	275	300
3000	60	90	120	150	180	210	240	270	300	330	360
3500	70	105	140	175	210	245	280	315	350	385	420
4000	80	120	160	200	240	280	320	360	400	440	480
5000	100	150	200	250	300	350	400	450	500	550	600
6000	120	180	240	300	360	420	480	540	600	660	720
8000	160	240	320	400	480	560	640	720	800	880	960