



*And taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven, and blessed and broke them, and gave them to the disciples to set before the crowd. And all ate and were filled. What was left over was gathered up, twelve baskets of broken pieces. Luke 9:16-17, NRSV*

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Dear friends,

Throughout the past year I have witnessed your generosity as you contribute your ideas, your financial support, and your time to our community and its ministry in Christ's name. Every dollar offered, every hour of volunteerism, every good effort gives glory to God.

There is miraculous power in sharing. The power of God miraculously multiplies the gifts we share with one another so that God's beloved people can be fed and nurtured- physically, spiritually, and with fellowship. More Than Enough, the theme for our fall annual giving campaign, brings us back to that moment of miracle described in Luke's Gospel where a crowd is well fed from a few loaves and fishes. The people in that story heard Jesus' call to share what they had in order that all might benefit. Today we continue Jesus' ministry of sharing what we have with one another for the greater good of the community and world. You have given of your wealth, works, and wisdom in ways that have benefitted the congregation and community- thank you!

Thank you for sharing your wealth, works, and wisdom. Through ministries such as supporting young people, gathering for daily Morning Devotions online, serving as a greeter at worship, redeveloping a home for Afghan refugees, and living your daily life faithfully, you are multiplying loaves and fishes to the glory of God.

Wisdom grows more wisdom. By gathering at Fall Cottage Meetings for fellowship and inspiration for the future, we invite the power of God to miraculously multiply our wisdom so that we can continue to serve our community and world effectively.

I invite you to make a commitment to share your wealth, works, and wisdom in the coming year to support St. Andrew's and its many ministries. As an act of thanksgiving for our many blessings, we give generously so that by God's miraculous power all will be fed and nurtured. A pledge card is enclosed with this letter, and is also available on our website under "Giving" ([standrewsglenwood.org](http://standrewsglenwood.org)).

In gratitude to God for you,

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