

## A Stewardship Message

Dear Friends in Christ,

It is hard to believe but it is time to launch Epiphany's fall Stewardship Campaign. Beginning on Sunday, October 13 through Sunday, November 10 a council member will give a brief temple talk on a Stewardship Principle and how the verse speaks to them. Ed Schumacher will launch the campaign on Sunday, October 13, with his thoughts on "Respond Gratefully". This will be followed on consecutive Sundays by Lori Crossmock with "Sacrifice Proportionately", Jennifer Parker with "Give Willingly", Martha Garner with "Share Abundantly" and Phil Goetz, our Council President, concluding the Stewardship series with "Accept a Challenge". At the end of the five week series on November 10 we will congregate after the service in the Kingsway Fellowship Hall to share a potluck meal and to celebrate the Abundance God has blessed us with individually and as a congregation and community of believers. During the celebration event a brief "state of the union" update will be given, 2020 pledge cards will be distributed with the stewardship principles printed on them as guides for us to use to live into God's promises and abundance and new offering envelopes and Time and Talent sheets will be distributed.

May the five week Stewardship Campaign provide an opportunity for us to reflect on the abundance of gifts God has blessed Epiphany with knowing that God will continue to bless Epiphany as we move into the future. We have been blessed with interim Pastor TroyAnn Pouloupoulos who will lead us through the discernment process of where God is leading Epiphany, we are blessed with children in the congregation, a seminary student, faithful garden angels who manage our community garden, volunteers for RITI and Pastor Tony's ministry and we are blessed with one another to mention a few. Let us use the five week Stewardship Campaign to renew our commitment to "God's Work Our Hands" through the wise use of our time, talents and financial resources all to the Glory of God and his Kingdom.

In Service to Christ Jesus,

The Epiphany Lutheran Stewardship Team