


Stewardship Appeal 2020

If Incarnate Word no longer existed at the corner of Goodman and East Ave, would the absence be noticed? Would Incarnate Word be missed because it made a difference in people's lives?

Pastor David Gerhardt, our guest speaker, asked this intriguing question at the Stewardship mini-retreat held back in September. Stewardship can mean different things to different people. Pastor Gerhardt wanted us to understand that **Stewardship is action.**

Thank You!
Your *Continuing* Generosity
Enables Incarnate Word
To Be "In the City for Good!"



This is what your generosity is enabling us to do as disciples.

This is Incarnate Word

Worship: Faithful Preaching Joy in Liturgy and Music <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Sunday morning worship• Weekly communion• Second Sunday Vespers• Holy Week, Easter, Christmas• Breakfast Church	Spiritual Growth: Lifelong Learning: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Adult Forum• Sunday School• Confirmation• Small-group discussions• Pub Theology
Support to the Larger Church: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• ELCA Benevolence• Lutheran Disaster Response• Synod Assembly• Special Appeals, Initiatives Mutual Support and Fellowship: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Prayer Chain• Monthly Scroll Newsletter• Weekly E-mail blasts• Home & hospital visits• Sunday AM Coffee Time• R-Oktoberfest, Mardi-Gras	Outreach: Local, Regional, Global: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Mustard Seed Kitchen• RAIHN• Dominican Republic Health Project• Community Arts Academy• ROC/ACTS/Homeless Initiative• REACH House Suppers• Jesse Tree• LCLC Camperships• Healing Handiworkers• RIT Campus Ministry• Building use by community organizations

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And Do So Courageously

Pastor Gerhardt asked us to list what Incarnate Word does to make a difference in Rochester, NY and outside the Rochester community. We came up with quite a list!

The Stewardship team used this list to create a new Stewardship banner shown here. This banner is a visual representation of Stewardship at Incarnate Word -- what we **do** in response to what God has given us. All of this is made possible because of your generous contribution of time and resources this past year. Look for this new banner in each of the entrances.

You'll also notice our Stewardship theme at the bottom of this new banner. It is also prominently displayed on the banner now displayed in the sanctuary:

- **Think Generously**
- **Practice Generosity**
- **and Do So Courageously.**

This congregation has taken this theme to heart this year. To thank you for your courageous generosity, the Stewardship Team invites everyone to a catered **Stewardship Celebration Lunch** on **Sunday, March 15** after worship.

At the lunch, new members will be welcomed, we will recognize progress made this year, and new Stewardship goal will be presented for the upcoming year. Good food and good fellowship is guaranteed!

The Celebration Lunch is free of charge. A sign-up sheet will be available in the Gathering Space or you can contact the church office with number of people attending (office@incarnatewordelca.org).

For the next few Sundays, we will be talking a bit more about Stewardship at Incarnate Word. Stay tuned!