



St. Andrew's Lutheran Church

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Rev. Manuel Retamoza and Rev. Sarah Sumner-Eisenbraun, Pastors

Dear Members and Friends of St. Andrew's Lutheran Church,

Thank you for being a part of St. Andrew's Lutheran Church and for your ongoing support of the ministry to which God calls us! Our ministry and stewardship theme for this year is "**Created to Be.**" In Psalm 139:13-14 we read, *"For it was you who formed my inward parts; you knit me together in my mother's womb. I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made. Wonderful are your works; that I know very well."* God created us to be in community together.



This year, as a part of our Fall Stewardship Emphasis, we will be learning about our **Spiritual Gifts** and how to put them to use in service to God. Starting later this month, you will be invited to take a spiritual gifts inventory that will include follow-up activities. You will also be hearing more about our hopes and plans for 2024. For 4 weeks, there will be temple talks at each of our services and bulletin inserts with more specifics about our ministry together in the world. You will also receive a brochure, a Statement of Intent, and a letter informing you of our congregation's mission plans for 2024.

Our **Commitment Weekend** will be **October 21 & 22, 2023**, when you will be able to present your giving intentions for 2024 during the worship services. You are also welcome to mail your Statement of Intent if you are not present on Commitment Weekend.

We ask that you prayerfully consider the way you are feeling called to give to God through the ministry of St. Andrew's. Stewardship is a spiritual practice. Giving is a part of how we worship. We continue to be grateful for the ways your giving to God here deepens your commitment to our ministry together. We trust that the Holy Spirit is at work in your life, too, inspiring you to find ways to give and serve in Jesus' name. Thank you for being a part of the work that God is doing here at St. Andrew's. Together, we pray for God's blessing and guidance as we continue to follow our mission "**To Be Disciples and To Make Disciples.**"

Sincerely,

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ELECTRONIC / ONLINE GIVING

St. Andrew's offers multiple methods of giving using a computer, tablet, or smartphone.

If you have any questions regarding electronic or online giving, please contact Sara Zimmerly in the church office at (619) 464-4211.



Visit our website at www.standrewslutheran.church and click the "Donate" tab at the top right corner of the screen/page. You have the option of a one-time gift or setting up a recurring gift through our online giving platform, **VANCO**. You can donate using your credit card or by linking your checking or savings account. Fees are less if you link your donation to your bank account, however, many donors prefer using a credit card for online transactions.

You can also set up St. Andrew's as a vendor in your bank's online bill paying system. Many of our members and friends find this method convenient and easy.



You can also give on your smartphone or tablet through the **Venmo** app. This app is a widely used method of payment for a growing number of people. You can use Venmo for more than just donations to St. Andrew's. You can use your credit card, or link it directly to your checking account. No fees are charged if you link directly to your bank account.

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