



# St. Andrew's Lutheran Church

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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 that God calls us to here! Our theme for this new beginning 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.

Over the last 3 weekends, you have heard more about our hopes for mission and ministry in 2024. We heard **temple talks** from Sandra Yeaman, Mimi Porter, Rachel Petrivelli, Cindy Page and Enna Wallace at each of our services and provided **bulletin inserts** with more specifics about our ministry together in the world. We believe that the Holy Spirit calls us together and also sends us out in loving service to God's world. We are excited and we hope you will be too!

This year's Stewardship Packet contains

- a brochure outlining our 3 ministry initiatives for the year ahead
- a 2024 statement of intent which we ask you to return on our Commitment Weekend, October 21-22 (it can also be mailed to the church office)
- information on Electronic Giving

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 our worship, modeled for us by the generations that have gone before us. We know that all of you give generously to many organizations and in many ways. We continue to be grateful for the ways you are giving to and through St. Andrew's. 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 make disciples.**"

## 2023-2024 Church Council

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Pastor Sarah Sumner-Eisenbraun

## SPIRITUAL GIFTS ASSESSMENT



This year for our Fall Stewardship Emphasis we are lifting up our gifts: the gifts we give to God and the gifts that God gives to us. We believe we are created to be in relationship with God and to share God's love with others. We share these gifts through the giving of our time, talents, and treasures

We are offering you, our members and friends, a Spiritual Gifts Assessment to help you identify your unique gifts for serving God and neighbor. We believe that everyone has been given gifts by God. These gifts help us to live our lives and our faith.

Everyone's combination of gifts is different. One person may have musical gifts, while another is able to solve complex problems, and another is great at building or repairing things.

Please use the emailed link or QR code to assess YOUR spiritual gifts. The assessment takes about 10 minutes to complete. Once you have completed the Spiritual Gifts Assessment we hope you will decide to use your gifts in the St. Andrew's Community, or the community at large.

## 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](http://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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