

September 19, 2022

Dear Partner in Ministry:

Generosity is all around us, but sometimes it is not so obvious. When Jesus fed over 5000 including the women and children gathered, significant generosity happened once a child shared (John 6:9). That is how it is here and everywhere when our gifts are placed in our Saviors hands. Once we begin to share, we will see that God has blessed us with more than enough.

Building a Culture of Generosity is the theme of our fall stewardship appeal. This theme points us to the generosity that we have witnessed around our church over the last year, but also points us to know that we can grow into this in even more profound ways.

When the pandemic began in March of 2020, there were those who approached me sharing their concern about whether St. David's would continue. Would people return? Would we become accustomed to staying away? And there was much anxiety about what our future would be. Our congregation remained strong and in fact, many of us recognized just how critically important this community is to our faith.

Our grateful response in generosity helps to demonstrate to us and to the world around us that in fact God has provided us everything and we have enough, even enough to share. In the weeks ahead, you will be hearing more about generosity. Newsletter articles, bulletin inserts, mission moments, letters and more will be used to share this story and our hopes for an even more blessed ministry next year.

So, in the coming weeks, please engage the materials. Pray earnestly about how you can become more generous. Then, on intent Sunday, October 23, please bring your intent card with you to declare the generosity that you intend to share with this congregation.

Thank you for being part of this exciting congregation. Pray for our common ministry together as we continue to reach out with the Gospel.

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Sincerely in Christ,

Pastor

Council President

P.S. Your intent card will be mailed to your home on October 14 for you to return on October 23.