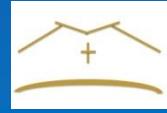


# BEGINNING A CULTURE OF GENEROSITY



Last week, LCM members had the opportunity to return their Statements of Intent for the *Beginning a Culture of Generosity* program. Although our Financial Secretary keeps the financial records of those that return their giving intent for 2021, the Stewardship Committee is excited about our members' response in that 15 Statements of Intent were received (both in service and by mail) towards our goal of 50 at a time when many members are not attending in person worship.

If you were unable to return your Statement of Intent last week, you can still mail it to the church in the envelope provided to you in the mailing last week.

Please remember that intents are not binding, but are used for us to proclaim our faith and to help the congregational leadership in making plans for the coming year.

### **A note from the Stewardship Chairperson:**

It warmed my heart that many of you joined me in returning your Statement of Intent at Sunday service on November 15. Mark and I decided to increase the weekly offering that we give to LCM through Simply Giving, and we plan to supplement that giving with offerings for special missions and other needs during the year. We feel blessed to be part of this congregation and feel it is important to support this faith community and its ministries.

Thank you to those who returned their Statements of Intent. It is my prayer that others of you will join those families that have already indicated their intent of generosity to The Lutheran Church of Mahomet by returning your Statement of Intent soon.

**Sherri R. Reifsteck**  
**Stewardship Chairperson**

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## CONTINUE GROWING IN CHRIST

When do you stop giving and growing in giving? You don't. Growth in generosity is a journey.

If your giving is to be joyful, it must continue to grow and expand. For each person, that growth may look different! Some are motivated by a biblical tithe and then to grow in the amount of their offerings. Others seek to grow by a percent a year, and others find ways to increase their generosity depending on their circumstances. While others have the challenge to find a process to be more generous even in a case where their income has declined due to pandemic, layoff, death, or other life-changing events.

In each case, once you have experienced the joy of good and generous giving from the heart, you will want to keep on growing!

