Grateful Giving

"Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver." – 2 Corinthians 9:7

Grateful giving means to give of your time, talents and treasures out of gratefulness for all God has provided for you. The act of giving helps us grow in faith and helps us trust that God will provide what we need. There are many opportunities at Hope to give gratefully and one of them is to participate in Hope Lutheran's annual pledge drive which happens each fall. This particular grateful giving opportunity provides the foundation for Hope's yearly budget planning. Hope always strives to operate as efficiently as possible. This being said, in order to carry out our mission, funding is necessary. We have staff to pay, a building to care for and programs to run. Helping sustain Hope's ability to carry out our mission is vital to our congregation and to our community.

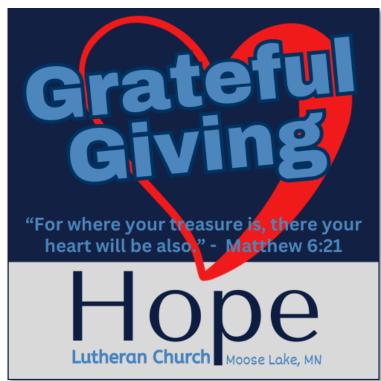
As you consider participation in this grateful giving opportunity, what can you do to become or continue to be a grateful and cheerful giver?

- Watch and listen for personal stories about grateful giving and how it impacts lives.
- Read the following Bible verses: Luke 6:38, Luke 21:1-4, John 3:16, Matthew 6:19-21, Matthew 6:24-34, 2 Corinthians 9:6-8, 2 Corinthians 9:11-12, Proverbs 3:9, Proverbs 11:24 -25, Proverbs 11:28, 1 Timothy 6:6-10, 1 Timothy 6:17, Hebrews 13:5, Malachi 3:10, Ro mans 12:6-8
- Take time to look at your budget to figure out what you can gratefully give to Hope.
- Pray for guidance.

Pledge Drive Kick-Off: Wednesday, Nov. 15, and Sunday, Nov. 19

Pledge Cards Mailed: Week of Nov. 19

Pledge cards will be mailed out to members the week of November 19. If you don't receive a pledge card in the mail and would like to make a Grateful Giving pledge, please contact the church office at 218-485-4673.



Pledge Cards Collected: During **worship** on Sundays, Dec. 3 & 10, and Wednesdays, Dec. 6 & 13.

Also in the **church office** Monday – Thursday, 9am-3pm, or by **mail** at Hope Lutheran Church, 204 Elm Ave., PO Box 422, Moose Lake, MN 55767.

Thank you for sharing in the ministry of Hope Lutheran Church and for being a grateful giver.