

Stewardship Committee

- FLC Mission:** Our mission at First Lutheran Church is to bring people into a relationship with Jesus Christ and to help them grow in the Christian Faith.
- Committee Mission:** The mission of the Stewardship Committee is to help God's people grow in their relationship with Jesus through the use of time, talents, and finances God has entrusted to them.¹
- Organization:** The Stewardship Committee is comprised of at least five individuals committed to First Lutheran's stewardship ministry, including the Vice President of the Congregation Council and the Senior Pastor. The Stewardship Committee has authority to create and recruit members for work committees as needed to meet its responsibilities and serve the stewardship ministry of First Lutheran Church.
- Function:** The Stewardship Committee is a coordinating committee, working closely with the Senior Pastor and other pastoral leadership in fulfilling its responsibilities. The Stewardship Committee functions under the office of Senior Pastor.
- Meetings:** The Stewardship Committee will meet at least once monthly, at a time to be scheduled by the members of the committee. Minutes of the meetings will be provided to the Congregation Council on a monthly basis.
- Responsibilities:**
- Cultivate a positive stewardship culture and teaching that everything we have, including time, talents, and finances, is from God and ultimately belongs to Him, and provide guidance on how to be good stewards of God's Kingdom.
 - Celebrate and inform the congregation about the stewardship opportunities available to First Lutheran Church and its membership.
 - Celebrate and inform the congregation of First Lutheran's involvement in stewardship through ministry and mission work.
 - Thank the congregation for its stewardship, mission, and ministry at First Lutheran, in the community, and in God's Kingdom at large.

¹ The mission statement for the Stewardship Committee is adopted from the book, *Ask, Thank, Tell – Improving Stewardship Ministry in Your Congregation*, by Charles R. Lane.

- Organize and coordinate the annual response program, asking members of First Lutheran to respond to the blessings God has entrusted to them with commitments for their financial stewardship.
- Coordinate with other committees where there are opportunities for synergies in the ministries.