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*A Reconciling in Christ
Congregation*

Worship Services

9:30 AM Sundays
6:15 PM Wednesdays

Pastors

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February 17, 2022

Dear Bethlehem Member,

We thank you for your past and current support of Bethlehem with your time, talents and financial resources. This support has been invaluable in advancing the active mission of our church:

“Bethlehem is an inviting community that is growing in Christ, loving our neighbors and serving God’s world.”

We would like to invite you to consider designating a future financial gift that would provide a lasting legacy of your membership to Bethlehem and continue to support this mission. Legacy giving can be done with ease and provide the following benefits to you and your family:

- Plan for the future at any age in your life
- Facilitate planned personal strategic giving to maximize its positive impact
- Target your gift to specific ministries, activities and programs at Bethlehem
- Minimize future tax obligations to your personal estate and family (Bethlehem is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization)

We encourage you to meet with your financial and legal advisers to review pertinent details and issues related to your estate, will and other financial aspects in developing such a gift.

We also invite you to attend a special Bethlehem adult forum on **Sunday, March 6 at 10:30 am in Grounds for Joy** to visit with Tharan Leopold (*Regional Gift Planner, ELCA Southeastern Minnesota Synod*). He will share legacy giving information and answer your questions.

If you have previously responded with a legacy gift designation to Bethlehem, we thank you for your generosity. There is no need to submit another gift form since we have you included in our legacy giving records.

If, however, you have not yet designated a gift to Bethlehem, we encourage you to visit with Pastor Jay to share your hopes and dreams for a legacy gift. Attached is a “Dream List” of projects and activities developed by the Stewardship Board and Council for targeted gifts. These go beyond normal annual budget expenditures. Please consider these in your giving plans. You may designate a specific project on the planned giving form.

Enclosed is a planned giving form to facilitate your legacy gift. This identifies the necessary information needed to establish your gift for Bethlehem.

Thank you for giving serious and prayerful consideration of Bethlehem in your future giving plans. You can make a real difference in keeping our mission alive and meaningful!

Sincerely,

Bethlehem Stewardship Board

Sally Burdick, Pastor Jay Dahlvang, Dave Hageman, Amy Haigh, Bob Ihrig,
Carrol Meyers-Dobler and Lori Ruthenbeck

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