

*Your generous giving to these campaigns is vital for accomplishing our mission to connect and empower people for living the Gospel of Jesus Christ.*

**GIVE** Live Generously



*To make your decision on the right amount to give, prayerfully consider these questions:*

*In what ways has God blessed my life?*

*How has God blessed me through the church?*

*What is a personally challenging, God-honoring sacrifice that I can make to further God's work through the world?*

***Thank you for your prayerful consideration.***

*Your commitment & investment allow us to share God's love through community outreach and services, faith-based education and support groups, and opening our doors to everyone, offering hope to all.*

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Living a life of generosity is using our time, talents and resources to serve God and bless others.

**When you begin your day**

Read these scriptures.

**Matthew 6:21**

For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

**Luke 6:38**

Give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap; for the measure you give will be the measure you get back.

As you pray this simple prayer, open your hands, palms up, to illustrate that you are committing all you have to God.

*"Dear God, help me to remember that all the resources I have ultimately come from you. Help me to be thankful for what I have, and forgive me for too often being focused on what I don't. Help me to live generously today in every way and to look for ways to be a blessing to others, Amen."*

**Practice five acts of generosity each month**

Ideas to cultivate a life of generosity:

**Bless a friend, neighbor or co-worker.**

Take a meal to a busy family, help a neighbor with household tasks, or assist a co-worker with a difficult project.

**Bless a stranger with a random act of kindness.**

Simple acts, like buying coffee for someone or offering a good tip and sincere thanks to a server, help you experience the joy of generosity.

**Learn more about needs in our community and world.**

Identify areas and projects of need that you are passionate about and plan how to share your time, talents and resources

**Make regular financial giving a priority.**

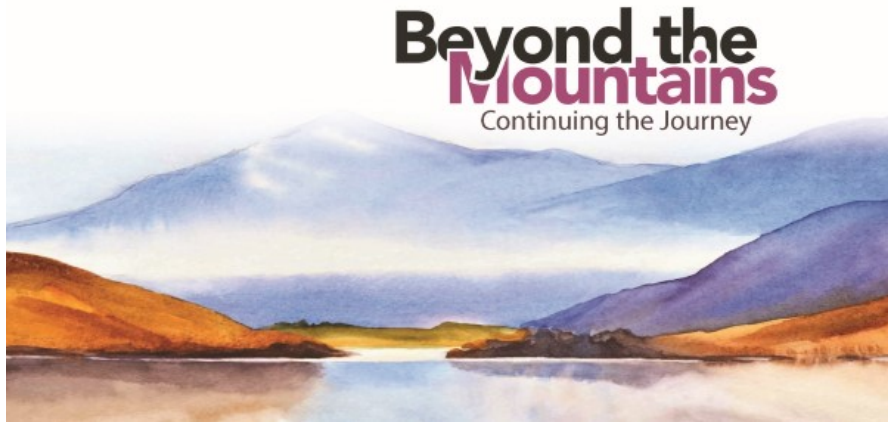
Record how you spend money, and see what it reflects about your budget.

**Leave a legacy of generosity.**

A legacy gift is one way to further your generosity and bless future generations. Help support the church's mission and ministries in the future.

**Information Session November 14, 2021**

First United Methodist Church, Lawrence, Ks



TYPE	Stewardship Campaign
TIMEFRAME	January – December 2022
PURPOSE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆ To support the ongoing ministries of First Church, including worship, small groups, children and youth, congregational care, communication, and mercy and justice.</li> <li>◆ This campaign covers expenses for programming, staff, administration, and buildings and grounds.</li> </ul>
GOAL	\$1,005,000
ACTION	To assist us in planning for the project, please pray and make your commitment to <b>Beyond the Mountains: Continuing the Journey</b> by submitting the paper form to the church office or by completing the online form through the church website.

TYPE	Capital Campaign
TIMEFRAME	November 2021 – October 2022
PURPOSE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆ To raise funds for two matching grants that will go toward the costs of a \$450,000 limestone restoration project on the downtown building. For these grants, we need \$204,000 in matching gifts.</li> <li>◆ To raise funds to cover the next loan payment on West Campus. At present, the debt stands at \$1.3 million. In October 2022, we need to remit \$146,000 to the bank.</li> </ul>
GOAL	\$350,000
ACTION	To assist us in planning for the project, please pray and make your commitment to <b>Still Forever First</b> by submitting the paper form to the church office or by completing the online form through the church website.