



# St. Paul's

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Dear Fellow Members of St. Paul's,



Grace and peace to you.

Amidst the difficulty and trauma of this last year St. Paul's Lutheran Church & School accomplished amazing things. Thanks to your generosity and commitment to the ministry and mission of our congregation, we paid off our debt, increased our annual giving, and continued serving our youth, families and community as we have been called to do. Your gifts, along with the wonderful legacy gifts we received, made all that possible. God continues to build on our blessings!

In celebration of the blessings we've received, we're launching our annual stewardship emphasis this fall called "Thankfulness and Praise." We're highlighting three ministries in our community that we support—Bartels Lutheran Community, Lutheran Services in Iowa and St. Paul's Lutheran School. Over the next four weeks, a video presentation of these three ministries will be featured during the worship services each weekend.

This will be a time of thankfulness for the opportunity we have to serve those who are in the care of Bartels Lutheran Community, for the opportunity to serve those who are in the care of Lutheran Services in Iowa and for the youth and families served by St. Paul's Lutheran School. We know there are also many other acts of ministry that happen each day in our congregation.

As we give thanks and praise for what God has done in our midst, we are reminded that we must sustain our financial support and keep our commitment strong. Those we serve are blessed by our sharing. It is so important, especially during this time of transition for our congregation. May God continue to bless you in this coming year and inspire us to share from our hearts.

In Christ's Service,

St. Paul's Stewardship Committee:

*Rev. Mark Anderson*

*Ann Benschoter*

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