| and blessings, I/we make this commitment to Christ's Church and the ministry of Lincoln Road UMC for the 2026 calendar year, to be given thankfully and in cheerful celebration and joy [please mark an option below]: |                       |               | STEWARDSHIF<br>GENEROSITY |
|--|-----------------------|---------------|---------------------------|
| \$   | per week, or \$       | bi-weekly, or |                           |
| \$   | per month, or \$      | quarterly, or |                           |
| \$   | as a one-time gift in | (month)       |                           |
|  | (clin % to            | o return)     |                           |

As an expression of my/our generosity and stewardship of God's resources

## **INSTRUCTIONS**

Print this page (black-and-white is fine) and, <u>after carefully and prayerfully filling in an option</u> on the slip above, please <u>insert the above slip into a self-addressed security envelope</u> (that is, with your name(s) and main mailing address written on the front). Seal that envelope and place it (which may necessitate folding it) into another envelope addressed to: Lincoln Road UMC, 9479 W. Lincoln Road, Riverdale, MI 48877. Add a stamp and mail before November 16, 2025 for dedication, or as soon as possible before the end of this year, 2025, to participate.

Then, sometime next year, 2026, the inside sealed and unopened envelope will be mailed back to you from the church office so that you can check how your commitment to the Lord's work is progressing as indicated in the option above. Hopefully you're at or working towards a "tithe" (10% of your income), which is the Biblical standard of giving. Above and beyond that is "sacrificial giving" as exemplified in the life—and death—of Jesus, even as some in our church give according to that Christ-like model. Whatever pattern you choose, remember that God takes what we freely give and multiplies it over and over to bless others and, simultaneously, allows US to become a blessing through it all, whether we know it or not. Please read 2 Corinthians 9:7-8—and the words around it, if you want—for more about our giving to the Lord.

Thank you, and may God continue to bless you as you become a blessing through your generous giving and responsible stewardship of God's resources now, next year, and beyond!