

OUR STORY UNFOLDS...

Every year we continue to connect as God's people, gathered and sent to be part of the ministries He has given us. We are blessed to be part of God's mission that calls us to give consistently of our time, talents and financial resources - all three.

This publication tells the story of how we are answering God's call for ministry in this place. We are God's hands in mission through our giving to support worship, learning and outreach. But the items listed on the pages in the brochure have been the same for several years. *What is God calling us to be in 2020 in this place that are not on the list or that we should change?*

Are there more opportunities to provide more worship, more learning, more outreach?

Yes, there are. With God at our side, we are given all that we need to be faithful in fulfilling the work He does through us.

Prayerfully consider how you can give your gifts of time, talent, and financial resources to continue God's work to seek and serve Christ in all people. God has blessed you richly - through your generosity, God richly blesses Prince of Peace to continue to show the love of Christ in our worship, learning and outreach ministries.

Our budget funding over the past several years was well-aligned in supporting our ministries of Worship, Learning and Outreach. This coming year is projected to keep the same proportions.



"And do not neglect doing good and sharing, for with such sacrifices God is pleased."

Hebrew 13:16

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UNFOLDING OUR STORY...

How we use our Time, Talents, and Financial Resources to seek and serve Christ in all people.

WE SEEK AND SERVE CHRIST THROUGH WORSHIP.



- Worship Services (*Sundays and 1st & 3rd Sat.*)
 - Outdoor Worship (*Summer and Blessing of the Animals*)
- Holy Communion (*Celebrated Weekly*)
- Eucharistic Ministry (*Taking communion to those who cannot attend worship*)
- Ash Wednesday Services and Luncheon
- Lenten and Advent Services (*Weekly*)
- Holy Week and Easter Vigil (*Great 3 Days*)
 - Fall Worship Services and Luncheon
 - Harvest Home Service
 - Christmas Eve (*2 Services*)
 - Blue Christmas Service
- Youth Sunday (*Worship Service conducted by Youth*)
 - Confirmation (*Reformation Sunday*)
 - First Communion
 - Scouting Recognition Sunday
 - Baptisms/Weddings/Funerals
- Sermons (*Weekly for all and Young at Heart*)
 - Special Music and Choirs - For All Ages
 - Altar Guild and Decorating
- Family Prayer Breakfasts (*Recognize families prayed for*)
- Pastor/Director of Music/Worship & Music Committee/Parish Secretary/Sexton

35% of our Budget is Allocated to Worship

"Come, let us worship and bow down, Let us kneel before the Lord our Maker." Psalm 95:6

WE SEEK AND SERVE CHRIST THROUGH LEARNING.



- Sunday School and Rally Day
- Special Music for Youth
- Vacation Bible School
- Confirmation Class
- First Communion Preparation
- Youth Fellowship (*POPHQ & POPKN's*)
 - Library
 - Bible/Book Studies
- 40 Days of Prayer and Faith Sharing
- Weekly Bible Verse
- Weekly Faith Question
- Synod Faith Formation (*Learning Ministry Days*)
- Synod Youth, Young Adult & Family (*Various Events*)
 - Synod Resource Center
 - Synod Classes for Lay Leader (*Various Topics*)
- National ELCA Youth Gatherings (*Every 3 Years*)
 - Temple Talks (*Personal & Informational*)
- Weekly Coffee Hour (*Yoga, Arts & Conversation*)
 - Hobby Fair (*Various Food Competitions*)
 - Health and Wellness Topics (*Blood Pressure Screenings*)
 - CPR and Stop the Bleed Instruction
- Pastor/Faith Education for All Committee/Director of Music

33% of our Budget is Allocated to Learning

"For whatsoever things were written aforetime were written for our learning, that we through patience and comfort of the scriptures might have hope." Romans 15:4

WE SEEK AND SERVE CHRIST THROUGH OUTREACH.



- Portland Upper Mt. Bethel Food Pantry (*P.U.M.P.*)
 - Christmas Gifts for P.U.M.P
 - Monthly Joyful Noise Offering
- Safe Harbor (*Supplies for Less Fortunate*)
- Layette Shower (*Kits for Newborns*)
- Slater Family Network Projects (*Helping our Neighbors in Need*)
 - Youth Organizations (*Scouting and 4H*)
 - WEIS Gift Cards
 - WEIS Receipts
 - Silent Auctions
 - Rummage Sales
 - Farm Show Food Stand
- Clothing Shed (*Proceeds Benefit Youth*)
 - Happy Quilters
 - Good Samaritan Fund
- Develop Leadership (*7 Seminars & 26 Colleges*)
 - Diakon (*Lutheran Social Services*)
 - Lutheran Social Services
 - World Hunger/Malaria
- Missionaries and Young Adults in Global Mission
 - New and Renewing Congregations
 - Bear Creek Camp Outdoor Ministry (*Summer Camps, Family and Women's Retreats*)
 - God's Work. Our Hands. Annual Project.

32% of our Budget is Allocated to Outreach

"In everything I showed you that by working hard in this manner you must help the weak and remember the words of the Lord Jesus that He Himself said, 'It is more blessed to give than to receive.'" Acts 20:35