



Good Shepherd
LUTHERAN CHURCH

We Are The Offering

2023 GIVING APPEAL

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church
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We are the Church, we are ministry, and we are the offering. We can and do make a monumental difference in the lives of our congregation and our community, through our time, talents, and treasures. Your commitment to our 2023 giving appeal is needed more than ever.

We seek your support in the following & specific areas of focus for 2023:

Mortgage: We are required to refinance our loan in 2023. Interest rates have increased, which means our monthly mortgage payment will increase significantly. There will be an increase to our budget of \$12,000.

Outreach through social media & video platforms: The pandemic has changed how we worship and do ministry. While we tend to the needs of those who are here in person, we are finding more and more ways to tend to the needs of those who are listening and watching online. We will increase our presence in the digital world through a variety of mediums when our technology budget increases by \$20,000 to hire a part time staff person.

Adult Ministry: Last year, you supported an increase to our Intergenerational Children & Youth Ministry. We wish to do the same for adults and seniors in 2023. We will provide adult service, social and learning opportunities through speakers, seminars, retreats, events, Bible studies and more. This means increasing our budget by \$4,000.

'Together on the Journey, we boldly go into 2023, Sharing God's Love'

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Good Shepherd Lutheran Church provides a Christ-centered, relationship-building, intergenerational community through:

Grace-Filled, Actionable Worship



Sound and Video Technology, Communion, Candles, Banners, Worship Supplies, Grace preached and received, Website, Outreach to Seekers, Parking Lot & Grounds Upkeep, Coffee Hour, Special Resources and Music for Advent, Lent, Holy Week, Christmas and Easter, Ushers, Greeters, Pastors, Staff, Cleaning Services

42% OF OUR 2023 BUDGET

Nurturing Life-Long Learning



Confirmation, Adult Bible Study, Sunday School, Pre-School, Octoberfest, Trunk or Treat, Retreats, Summer Camp, Giving of Bibles, Mother's & Father's Day Celebrations, Christmas Program, Parent Support, High School Connections, Prayer Pals, New Member Hospitality, Adult Specific Activities, Curriculum, Supplies, Staff, Pastors, Building Maintenance

37% OF OUR 2023 BUDGET

Contributing God's Blessings to Others



Neighbors Inc, Saint Paul Area Synod, Mission Trips, Feed My Starving Children, Union Gospel Mission, Lewis House, Life Haven, Rezek House, Lutheran World Relief, Growing Through Loss, Grief Share, Home-Centered Ministry, Building Usage for Alcoholic Anonymous, Funeral Receptions, Resources to Give, Mental Illness Support, Food, Shelter, Hope, Pastors, Staff

21% OF OUR 2023 BUDGET

Thank you for completing the attached Statement of Intent Card and placing it in the offering plate on We Are THE Offering Sunday, November 20th. Other options are secure email at 2023giving@goodshepherdigh.com, mailing or dropping it off at church.