

From Our Board of Stewardship

In the spirit of our stewardship theme “Be Your Brother’s Keeper” I want to share some words of encouragement. As the Apostle Peter urged the early, persecuted Christians:

“Be shepherds of God’s flock that is under your care, watching over them—not because you must, but because you are willing, as God wants you to be; not pursuing dishonest gain, but eager to serve; not lording it over those entrusted to you, but being examples to the flock.” 1 Peter 5:2-3

When reflecting on this passage it came to mind that wise stewardship of our resources can help us all be shepherds to God’s flock right now. Many of us are familiar with general principles of stewardship but one specific direction in our church worth mentioning is the ongoing desire to reduce the debt we owe on the building and facilities. We should take a moment and thank God that we have been very successful in this so far. The benefits of paying off the mortgage early are diverse and I am confident that some are not yet evident but will reveal themselves through time as we use the recovered resources directly for ministries around the world. In 2018 alone our brothers and sisters in Christ added \$20,978 to the debt reduction. Just think of the possibilities for ministry once we are no longer tied to a mortgage. I thank God for all of you and for this wise use of resources.

In Christian Bonds,
Matt Reeves, Stewardship Board Chairman

“Being Your Brother’s Keeper”

Our neighbor, The Tom Roy Youth Guidance Home, is so appreciative for the First Family’s support during the Christmas Season, especially the “stocking stuffer” drive the Youth coordinated for the Home. Their current needs are for hair cuts for the teens and for “waterproof” winter gloves.

You may pick up an information sheet that shares their mission or refer to their website at www.youthhomesmt.org. Please continue to pray for these young people, sign up to prepare a meal for the Home, and/or place your contributions in the box provided on the table in the Narthex. Thank you for supporting this mission of the LWML.

Pray For Our Military...

Willy Lytton, grandson of Norm & Dori Balko
Mathew Betts, grandson of Vicki Kaul
Colby Klemp, grandson of Denny & Leah Klemp
William Hatfield, cousin of Denny & Leah Klemp
Adam Moody, son of Chuck & Sylvia Moody
Dean Ward, son-in-law of Jack & Marlene Sundt
Matthew Bejcek, brother/brother-in-law of Krista & Gregg Neibauer
Pastor George Schaffer
Greg Parrow, son-in-law of Hal Wiltgen
Patrick Gargan, cousin of Helen Christensen
Ryan Ocampo, nephew of Bob & Lu Lehman
Fred Moss, grandson of Ruth Lee Thompson
Dusty Starman, nephew of Rick & Pam Shaw
Erica Coburn, daughter of Donna Coburn



If you have a friend or relative currently serving in the Armed Forces, please notify the church office and we will include them in our prayers.