

*This issue of **The Cheerful Giver** is filled with wonderful news of the God-inspired generosity of PLC givers. Enclosed in this mailing is your **Giving Statement** for the calendar year of 2017. It records your giving to all funds. Please check these numbers against your own records. If you have any questions, please contact the Director of Business Operations, Corwin Holk at [finance@plcchurch.org](mailto:finance@plcchurch.org) or at 952-234-4779. **Thank you for supporting Prairie Lutheran Church!***



Mn Adult & Teen Challenge

#### **MN ADULT & TEEN CHALLENGE**

We began the year again with the songs and testimonies of MN Adult & Teen Challenge. Their voices raised the roof of our worship services on Sunday, January 7. In response, you collectively gave \$ 5,512 to support this powerful ministry!

**Prairie-Giving** is a safe and secure method for making offering contributions to Prairie Lutheran Church. It replaces the traditional method wherein a check or cash is sealed in an offering envelope. For members who like to place their offering in the plate when it is passed, there are Prairie-Giving cards in the sanctuary chair backs that you can use. When the offering tray is passed simply place that card in the tray as a symbol and act of your ongoing support of the mission of Prairie Lutheran Church.

Benefits of using electronic **Prairie-Giving** method:

- Regularizes your giving and avoids missed contributions because of travel, illness or other schedule interruptions.
- The operating fund maintains a more constant and reliable revenue stream for ministries.
- Reduces administrative burden on church volunteers and staff.
- Follows the Biblical recommendation, *"On the first day of every week, each one of you should set aside a sum of money in keeping with his income."* 1 Corinthians 16:2

To begin using **Prairie-Giving** simply go to [plcchurch.org/prairie-giving](http://plcchurch.org/prairie-giving), print off a copy of the enrollment form, fill it in and return to the church office. If you have any questions feel free to contact the Director of Business Operations, Corwin Holk at 952-234-4779.

#### **OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD**

On Sunday, November 12, we assembled 600 *Operation Christmas Child* shoeboxes. This was a new record for PLC! These boxes were filled with gifts and a booklet in their native language that teaches them about the love of Jesus Christ. The boxes were delivered to children around the world. **Thank you for making merry the Christmas of countless lives!**

