

## Mid-week Stewardship Thought

### Good Works Are Important

Good works are an important part of our lives as Christian stewards because, *“We are God’s workmanship, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God has prepared in advance for us to do”* (Ephesians 2:10). As we ask the Lord to enable us to submit to His will, He will put before us those good works He has prepared for us to do.



Paul states that we are *“God’s workmanship created in Christ Jesus.”* With the same power that God used in the beginning to create man from dust and later to resurrect Jesus from the dead, He raises us out of spiritual death and makes us new people—His workmanship—transformed stewards whose works are evidence that we are new creatures. By the Holy Spirit through Word and Sacrament, we are brought into God’s kingdom. As new people living under the power of the Gospel, we desire to honor God by giving Him our best. Because Christ has redeemed us from all wickedness and purified for *“Himself a people who are His very own,”* we are eager to do good works (Titus 2:14).

Prayer: Dear Heavenly Father, You have given me gifts and abilities. Help Me to use what You’ve entrusted to me to serve You by serving others. Grant me the desire to do good works. Amen.

**Blessings on your journey as a steward!**