#### **NEXT STEPS**

Caring for our neighbor, sharing our gifts, and living our faith are our goals for 2022! In this coming year, we ask for your continued financial commitment that supports our Sustaining Fund. Your gifts are vital to the ministries and ongoing life of this congregation.

Mark your calendars for our Commitment Weekend, November 20 and 21, when we will ask each family to complete the enclosed Commitment Card and bring it to any of the three worship services. To complete the Stewardship Commitment Form online, visit crownofglory.org/2022-pledge.

No matter what financial gift you consider, we ask that you pray for Crown of Glory and all that God is doing in this place.

Thank you for your continued faith and support!

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What Have We to Offer?

2022 STEWARDSHIP APPEAL



# CARE FOR OUR NEIGHBOR, SHARE OUR GIFTS, AND LIVE OUR FAITH

Crown of Glory Lutheran Church is a congregation where families and friends build and strengthen our faith together. The greatest gift that we have is God's love for us in Jesus Christ. As a response to this gracious gift, God calls us to care for our neighbor, share our gifts, and live our faith. We invite you to join us in this season of stewardship as we seek new goals of growing our ministries and deepening our faith together.

We have faced challenges together in the past few years and have faithfully overcome each one. Now we face a new challenge to answer God's call to grow: our outreach and caring ministries as we serve others, our program ministries to children, youth, and adults as we invest in education, and our faith in God's promise to always be present with us.

With your care, support, and participation, Crown of Glory will continue to be God's hands and feet, reaching out to share all the gifts that we have to offer, in the name of Jesus Christ.

# **FOCUS OF STEWARDSHIP 2022**

## **Caring for Our Neighbor**

Crown of Glory Lutheran Church is a congregation called to care deeply for our neighbor through the work of our hands and our hearts. Your gifts support the many ministries that reach those in need: the Bountiful Basket Food Shelf, Loaves & Fishes, ministries to local homeless shelters like Launch Ministry and His House, and our food equity partner, Fare For All, which provides affordable food for those in need.

"Caring for our neighbor" means supporting the hard work of our Creation Care Team, which seeks to educate and foster care for the world around us. It also means advocating for peace, justice, and standing with those who are marginalized or excluded through the endeavors of the Justice and Inclusion Team.

#### **Sharing Our Gifts**

Our gifts come in the form of service, time, talents, wealth, and faith. Some of our greatest gifts are those that give back to others. Our children and youth ministries are led and supported by adult volunteer guides and teachers in our SPARK Sunday School, Connect, Confirmation, and High School ministries. In 2021, Crown of Glory affirmed the calling of Krysta Flaharty as our new Director of Children's Ministry. Krysta's gifts of leadership and passion for sharing God's love continues to strengthen our children's ministries. The sharing of your gifts invests in the growth of faith in others.

# **Living Our Faith**

Our worship experience is just one example of how we live our faith together. Crown of Glory continues to provide enriching worship experiences with music that is uplifting and messages that connect the Bible with everyday life. Join us for a casual Saturday evening worship at 5:00 p.m. (in person), a traditional Sunday morning worship at 9:00 a.m. (in person and livestream), or a contemporary Sunday morning worship at 10:45 a.m. (in person). In between the Sunday morning worship services, our children experience SPARK Sunday School, and our adults experience a new educational adult forum!

## WHAT HAVE WE TO OFFER?: CHALLENGE ACCEPTED FOR 2022

In 2021, Crown of Glory applied for and received a \$58,000 (PPP) loan from the Federal Cares ACT. This loan helped sustain our 2021 budget by supporting our mortgage and our staff while we moved forward with adapting our ministries during the pandemic. This loan was fully forgiven in 2021! We now face a new challenge in 2022 to grow our gifts by \$58,000 to continue to answer God's call to care for our neighbor, share our gifts, and live our faith. Thank you for partnering with us and accepting the challenge!

