

# We Walk by Faith

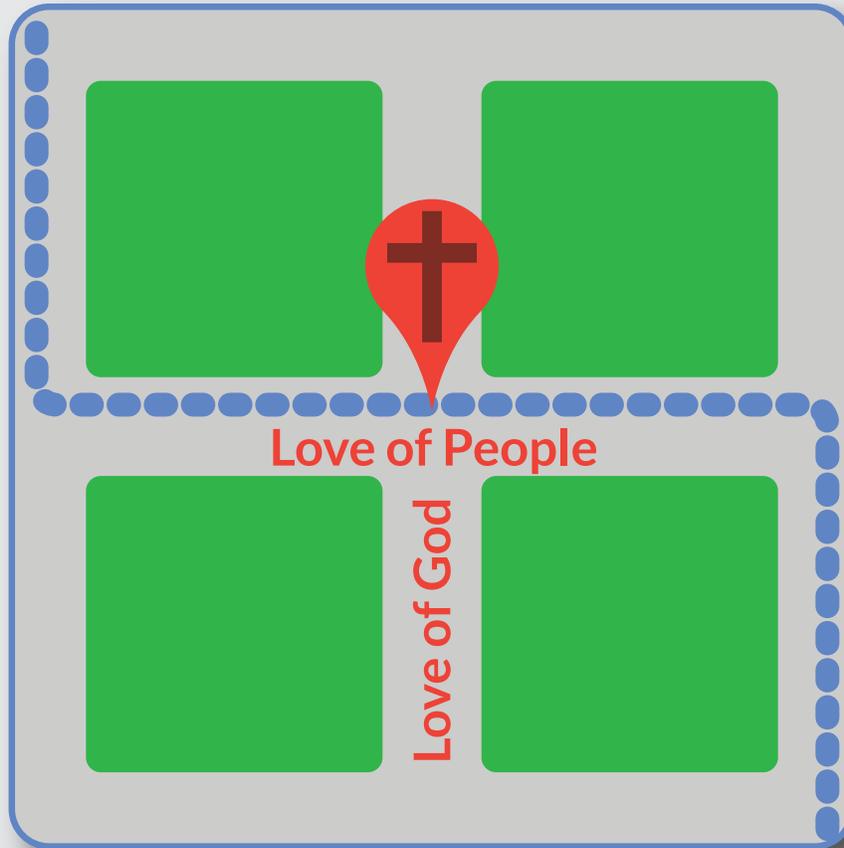


— Stewardship 2019 —



St. Michael's Lutheran Church

# Directions to the intersection of: **Love of God & Love of People**



 Start



 Receive Stewardship Packet

 Read the letter from the Pastors

 Turn the pages and reflect on the many ways we **Walk by Faith** everyday

 Discover how we **Love by Faith** in caring for others

 Explore the estimated 2019 Budget

 Consider how you can “step it up” in 2019!

 Come **Together in Faith** through a celebration of our fellowship events

 Continue to **Wonder in Faith** through learning opportunities for all ages

 Have **Hope through Faith** and plan for the ongoing and future ministry of St. Michael's

 Pray about your participation in this year's Stewardship Campaign and fill out your pledge card.

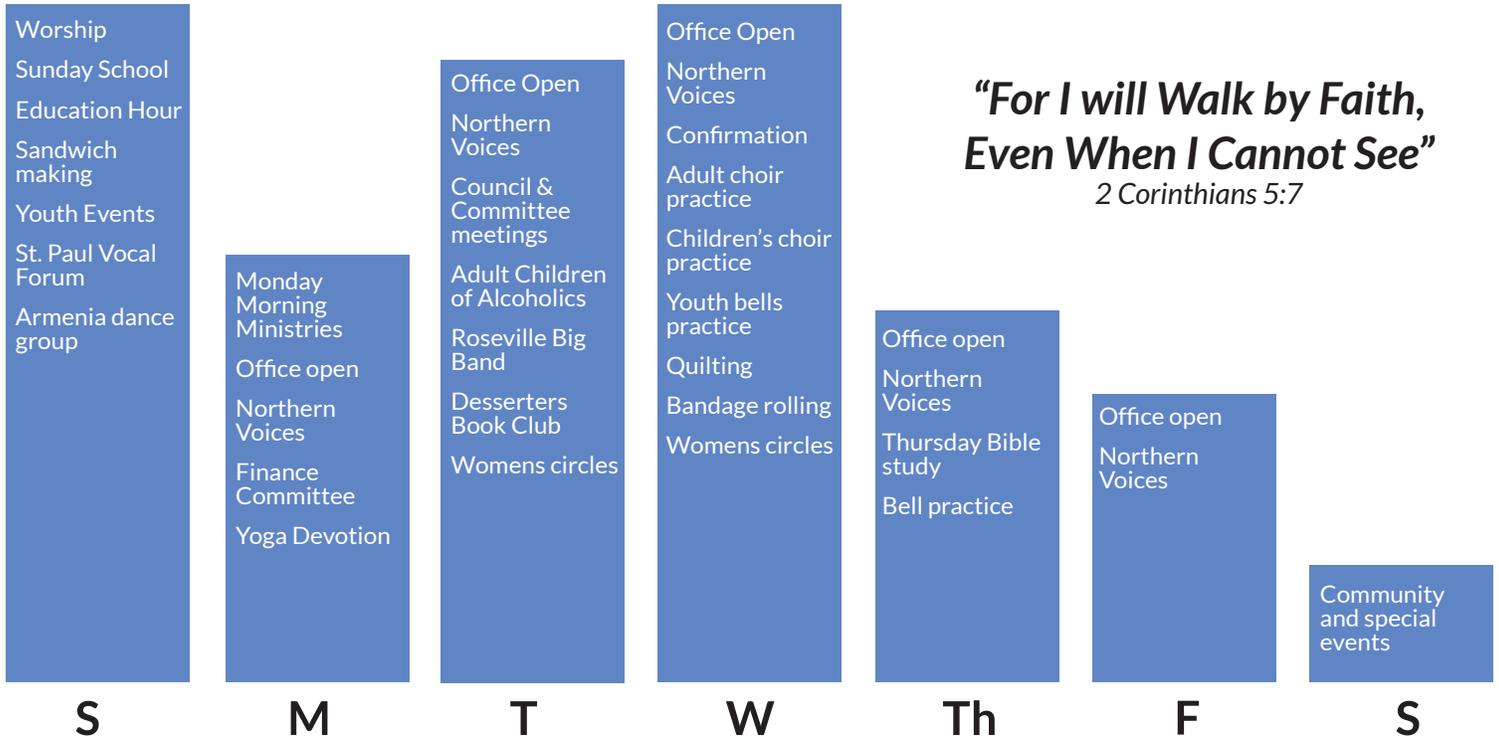
 Discern how you can get involved in ministry with the Time and Talent Form

 Return the pledge card and Time and Talent form to the pledge box in the back of the Sanctuary or to the church office by Nov. 18.



# We Walk by Faith St. Michael's Lutheran Church

## Busiest Times



**“For I will Walk by Faith,  
Even When I Cannot See”**  
2 Corinthians 5:7

## Reviews 4.9



### GATHER

“I have been a member for many years and adore this place and the wonderful people who attend services. All are welcome.” - Brad Koland



### NURTURE

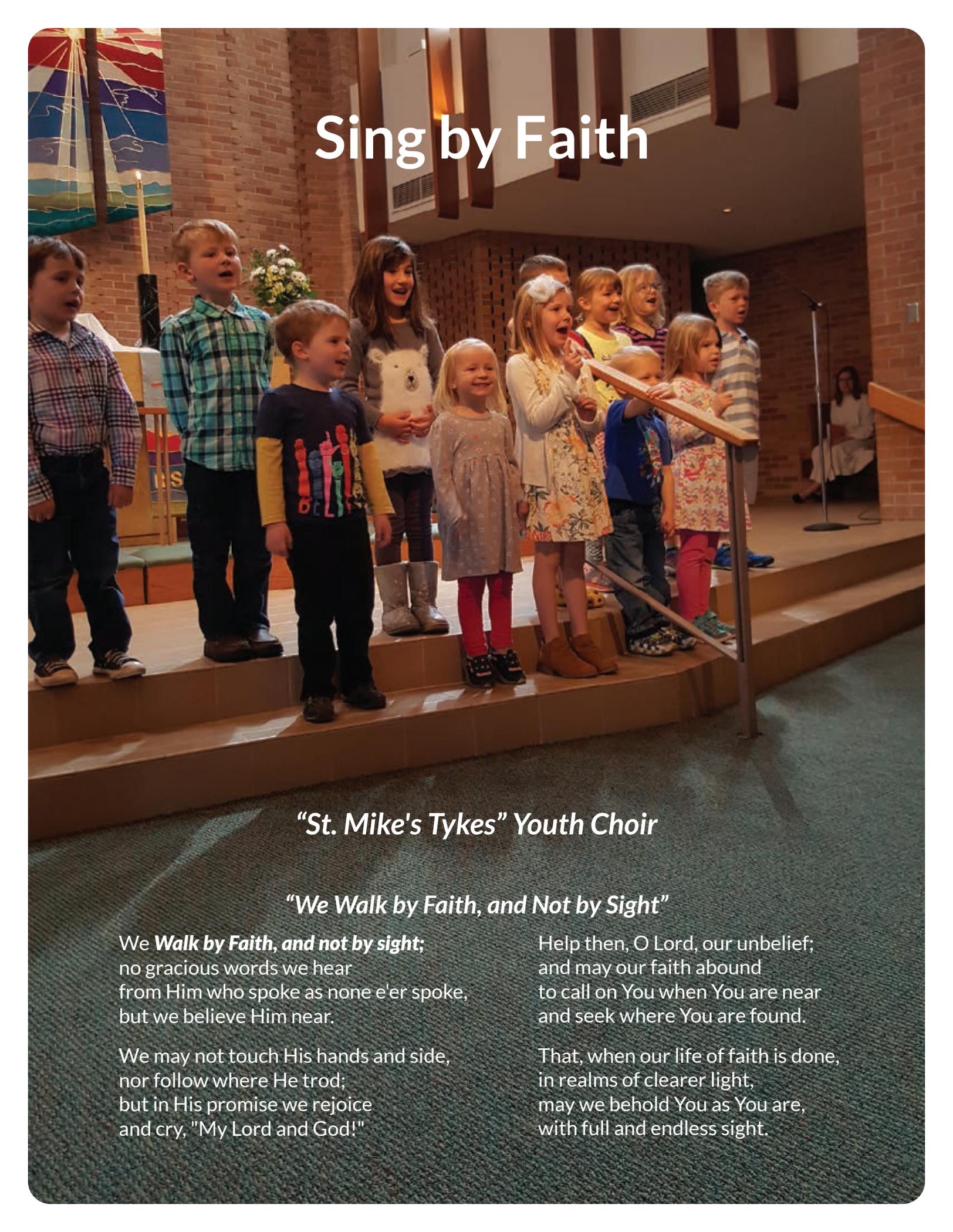
“Pastor Ali Ferin and Pastor Brad Froslee were always there for John and I as we passed through the journey of inoperable cancer, hospice, funeral and after care. John felt an immediate bond with Pastor Brad when he found out Pastor Brad was from Vining, Minnesota and John was from Ottertail, Minnesota. They knew many people in common and that turned into a very precious friendship between Pastor Brad and John. I cannot thank them enough for all of the care we both received during this very stressful time.” - Carol Leaders



### SEND

“A welcoming community that is sent into the community at large to be the hands and feet of Christ.” - Sara Bright



A group of approximately 12 children of various ages are performing on a church stage. They are dressed in casual attire, including plaid shirts, sweaters, and dresses. One child is holding a white teddy bear. The stage is set against a brick wall with a large stained-glass window on the left. The children appear to be singing or speaking into a microphone.

# Sing by Faith

## *"St. Mike's Tykes" Youth Choir*

### *"We Walk by Faith, and Not by Sight"*

We **Walk by Faith, and not by sight**;  
no gracious words we hear  
from Him who spoke as none e'er spoke,  
but we believe Him near.

We may not touch His hands and side,  
nor follow where He trod;  
but in His promise we rejoice  
and cry, "My Lord and God!"

Help then, O Lord, our unbelief;  
and may our faith abound  
to call on You when You are near  
and seek where You are found.

That, when our life of faith is done,  
in realms of clearer light,  
may we behold You as You are,  
with full and endless sight.



## Joy by Faith

*"For by grace you have been saved through faith and this is not your doing; it is the gift of God"*  
Ephesians 2:8



New York City, NY  
2018 Youth Mission Trip

# Love by Faith



Minneapolis, MN  
Loaves and Fishes



“And this is love, that we walk according to God’s commandments. This is the very commandment you have heard from the beginning, that you must walk in love.”

2 John 1:6



Love of People



Love of God





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## We Walk by Faith by Putting our Faith in Action

Your gift of time, talent, and resources allows St. Michael's to make God's compassion and grace made known within the congregation and beyond our church walls.

Your financial gifts have a local and global impact through the Saint Paul Area Synod and our various mission partners and Lutheran Disaster Response.

Together, let us **walk by faith** as we participate in God's life-changing work in our communities and around the world!



### Every Gift is Important

- If you give \$3 every week you are giving enough for a baptismal napkin, candle, and Bible for five children at St. Michael's this year.
- If you give \$125 every month you are giving enough to build our connection with our sister church in Cimiento, Guatemala.
- If you give \$1,000 a month you are giving enough to pay for our electric bill for the year.
- If you give \$3,000 a year you are giving enough to pay for a fully staffed nursery.
- If you give \$4,600 a year you are giving enough to pay for Sunday school curriculum and supplies.
- If you give \$11,500 a year you are giving enough to pay for our annual Habitat Build with Holy Hammers.



## Sizing Up our Estimated 2019 Budget: \$860,178



### GATHER \$194,263 (22.6%)

Caring for our Church Home  
Communications / Administration

### NURTURE \$499,515 (58.1%)

Worship, Faith Formation,  
Education  
Music  
Fellowship

### SEND \$166,400 (19.3%)

Budgeted Outreach and  
Benevolence  
Dedicated Giving (Non-Budgeted)

### 2018 Dedicated Giving (Non-Budgeted)

Pastor's Discretionary (crisis or  
assistance for members or community)

Food Shelf

Loaves and Fishes

World Hunger

Special Gifts (such as Outdoor Ministry)

Sandwich Making

Disaster Relief Fund

Habitat for Humanity

Rezek House

Sunday School Offering (ex. winter coats  
for local schools)

**\$43,500**

## What Things Cost

### ▲ Gather

- 1 Week of donut holes & coffee \$38
- 1 Week of postage \$58
- 1 Week of phone service \$96
- 1 Week of mowing/shoveling \$183
- 1 Month of cleaning/custodial supplies \$417
- 1 Month of electricity \$1,000
- 1 Month of building & grounds maintenance \$1,833
- 6 Months of mortgage payments \$22,731

### ▲ Nurture

- 1 Baptismal napkin \$3
- 1 Bible for a child \$20
- 1 week of music for choirs \$70
- 1 Week of worship supplies \$77  
*Wine and non-alcoholic wine, gluten-free wafers, oil for candles, new linens (or cleaning of existing),*
- 1 Week of religion in life speaker \$150
- 1 Year of piano and organ tuning \$2,000
- 1 Week of pastoral staffing \$3,650  
*2 Pastors preaching, teaching, leading worship, pastoral care, leading events, administration, serving locally and in the larger church*

### ▲ Send

- 1 Month support for Guatemala partnership \$125
- 1 Month of serving a meal at Loaves & Fishes \$300
- 1 Week of support for larger Church \$2,600  
*ELCA, synod, mission development, global programs, disaster response*
- 1 Youth to go to camp \$530
- 1 Year of support for Lutheran Social Services \$5,000
- 1 Year of food shelf shopping \$6,000
- 1 Year of Habitat build \$11,500

# Together by Faith

*"How good and pleasant it is when God's people live together in harmony!"*

Psalms 133:1



Love of People



Love of God





St. Michael's Lutheran Church  
Monday Evening Worship

# Wonder by Faith

*"Examine me, O LORD, and try me; Test my mind and my heart. For Your loving kindness is before my eyes, And I have walked in Your truth."*

26 Psalm 2:3

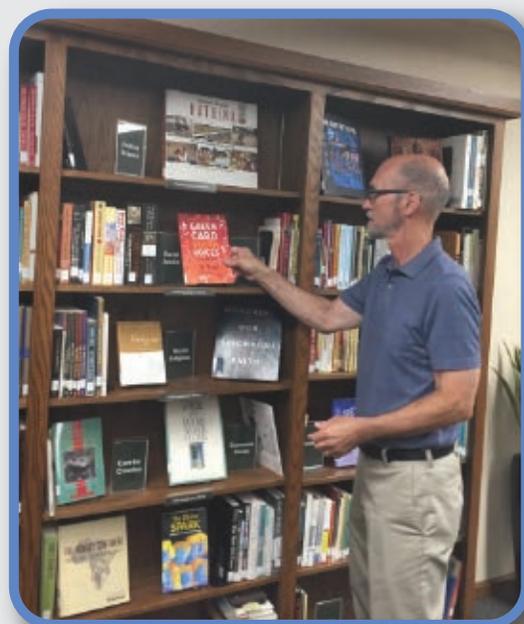




**QUESTION:** Does St. Michael's have a resource library?



**ST. MICHAEL'S:** Yes, St. Michael's has a library. In fact, the church library recently underwent a revitalization that occurred in three phases. The existing collection was evaluated to eliminate damaged, shelf-worn, and outdated volumes and to determine subject areas that needed to be enhanced with new titles. The physical space was reconfigured to accommodate an expanded children's area and to facilitate displaying more of the collection face out. New signage was added to clarify the organization of the subject areas. Seventy-five new titles were acquired via purchase and donation.



# Hope by Faith

*"Though the people around us follow their idols, we will walk in the way of the Lord our God forever and ever."*  
Micah 4:5



St. Paul, MN  
March to Prevent Gun Violence

*“What you leave behind is not what is engraved in stone monuments,  
but what is woven into the lives of others.”*

*-Pericles*



**QUESTION:** Does St. Michael's have a Legacy Giving Program?



**ST. MICHAEL'S:** As a part of St. Michael's strategic planning, the Church Council and pastoral staff are in the midst of exploring and developing a Legacy Giving Program. The goal is to provide members with a simple and effective way to leave a lasting legacy for the Church by naming St. Michael's a beneficiary of your will or trust. Look for more information in the coming months about how you can help create and support tomorrow's ministries at St. Michael's, or inquire with Pastor Brad or Pastor Ali.

## 2018 Benevolence Partnerships and Gifts

Rezek House, Lutheran Social Services  
Saint Paul Area Synod, ELCA  
Lake Wapogasset Lutheran Bible Camp  
Luther Crest Bible Camp  
Huruma Children's Orphanage, Tanzania  
World Vision  
ELCA World Hunger  
Lutheran World Relief Disaster Response  
Northeast Youth & Family Services  
Cristo Rey Lutheran Church  
Luther Seminary Scholarships  
Overcoming Racism Conference  
Roseville School District Foundation  
Iglesia Luterana Agustina de Guatemala  
Keystone Food Shelf  
Loaves and Fishes  
Habitat for Humanity  
Growing Through Loss  
Saint Paul Council of Churches  
Meals on Wheels  
Lutheran Campus Ministry  
Global Health Ministries  
Kiva Microloans  
Union Gospel Mission



### God's Work, Our Hands

This work by the  
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