

October 31, 2023

Dear Church,

Fall is a beautiful time of year. There are apples to pick, pumpkins to carve, and fireplaces to gather round.

But as you observe the vibrant colors of the season, a familiar melancholy feeling may settle in. The world around is changing again. One season is passing and a new one has begun.

The Resurrection faith community is experiencing a season of change. Change can be unsettling. Transition stirs up uncertainty and feelings of loss. It's important to name the emotions we feel. Recognizing them helps bring the work of this faith community into focus.

For the mission that lies at the heart of our faith community at Resurrection Lutheran Church is none other than God's mission. The pastor, the staff, even the congregation itself, do not own a mission. The mission here is God's. Together we are invited to participate in that mission within the building where we congregate, in the surrounding community, and around the world.

This "interim time" is a time we are gifted with to **renew** our identity as the daughters and sons of God in this place. This is a time for you to **remember** that it is upon you, each one of you and all of us together, that the Spirit of God is poured out. It is a time for you to **revitalize** your commitment to live into and out of the mission of God in this place.

We are the church. How many members of our faith community does it take to bring God's mission to life for the sake of the world? **Every, single one of us!** At worship on Sunday, November 12, each of us will have the opportunity to respond with our statement of intent for giving cards for 2024, declaring our financial support for God's mission in this place. Check out the graph on the back of this letter and consider how you might step up your financial support of God's mission in and through this community for the sake of the world.

Now is the time to gather the resources to ensure this vibrant community will be prepared to live into the new thing God has prepared for us as new leadership joins our team. We seek not just resuscitation of what was, but rather resurrection to new life born of the Spirit!

With deep gratitude for your generosity and, even more importantly, for each of you,

Your Resurrection Stewardship Team: Jay Hickey, Justin Hummel, Theresa Hummel, Jeff Murray, Christina Womack, Pastor Lamont

Resurrection Members Monthly Giving

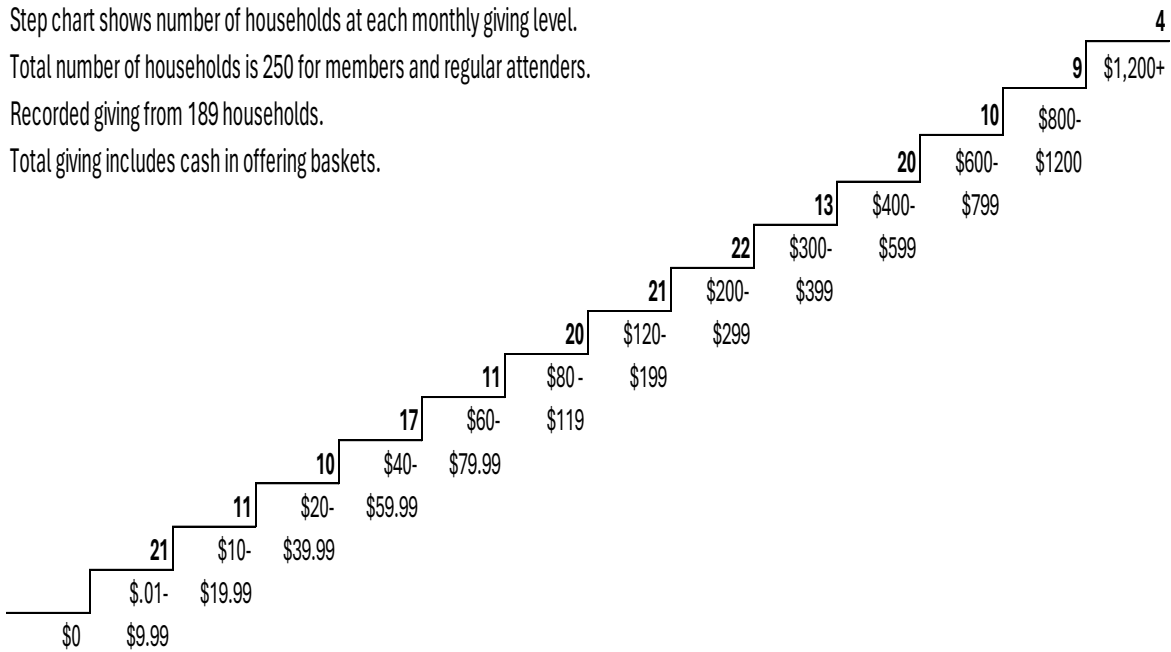
2022 General Fund Offering (non-designated)

Step chart shows number of households at each monthly giving level.

Total number of households is 250 for members and regular attenders.

Recorded giving from 189 households.

Total giving includes cash in offering baskets.



Percentage of Total Giving (black) and Households (gray) per Step

