

**2022 STEWARDSHIP APPEAL** 

## THE POWER OF A GREETING

Each school day our beloved Little Lamb Preschool students are greeted by our Director Jen Gottlieb and her excellent staff. Parents, grandparents, siblings and children are shown in word and action how loved and important these students are. Every school day our preschool staff is the face of Jesus for their students and families.

It can be easy to overlook the importance of a greeting, at least until you need it. If you've called the church office you've been welcomed by Jen Bias or a friendly volunteer. Our staff visits nursing homes and hospitals. Our pastors show up in emergency rooms and at ICU beds, and share stories of Jesus at Little Lamb Preschool chapel. Our Director of Youth Ministries, Clint Mullet, counsels our students over text messages and endless cups of coffee. Our choirs and ensembles led by our Director of Music Ministries, Brian Bartusch, provide important community, prayer, and mutual care.

Showing Jesus takes time and intention, and our staff is honored to provide it. Throughout the pandemic they have tirelessly invented and reinvented everything about church --

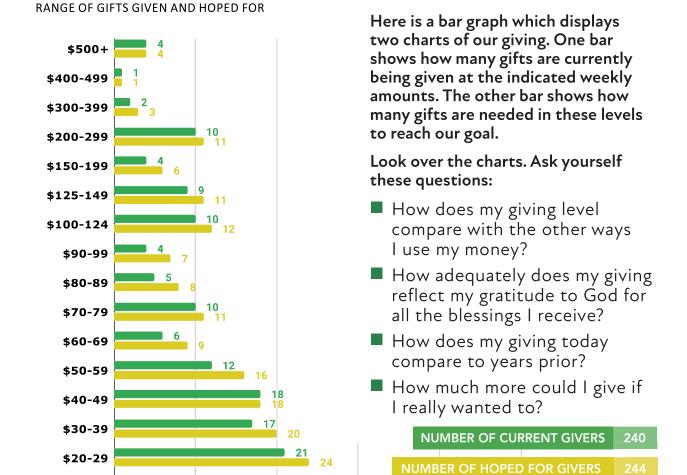


That's the hallmark of being Church in a pandemic: constant reinventing.

As the pandemic continues, we need the experience and knowledge our staff have acquired more than ever. Some unexpected resources helped us bridge the early uncertainty of the pandemic and we are grateful, but they have not continued. That's why Sustaining Ministry Excellence is a key part of our *Live Bold* 2022 Stewardship Appeal: replacing temporary resources and investing in our staff to free their thinking prepares us for the future God has in store.

Our goal is to increase gifts and offerings by \$2,566 per week, including a portion designated to Sustaining Ministry Excellence. Pray for a generous response to this appeal. Pray about your own response. Consider increasing your giving as the Lord leads you. Be ready to return your Statement of Intent on Sunday, February 20. Our giving shows our gratitude to the Lord and says "yes" to God's future.

## APPEAL GOAL FOR 2022: INCREASE OFFERINGS BY \$2,566 PER WEEK



GIFT LEVEL WEEKLY RATE

\$10-19

less than \$5

\$5-9

"Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need." - Hebrews 4:16