



This afternoon, our volunteer Inspiration Visitors will be delivering bags of information about the **Renew & Rejoice Capital Campaign** effort to replace our organ and upgrade our facility to better meet the needs of this vibrant, active, busy community doing the work of Christ. We rejoice in their service and ask that you receive these brief “front porch” visits in warm fellowship.

Included in the Inspiration bags will be your invitation to the **Renew & Rejoice All Congregation Event** on Saturday, May 4th at 6:00 pm at Second Harvest Food Bank. Our goal is for the entire congregation to gather! Be sure to join us for a catered meal and an informative presentation about the scope of the campaign. No commitments will be made at the event.

The bag you will receive today also includes a book of stories authored by disciples of the Lutheran Church of the Epiphany. Our members share reflections on where they’ve experienced the joy of generosity in their lives. In addition to the storybook, you will also receive a **Renew & Rejoice Capital Campaign Prayer**.

Please place these in a prominent place in your home and pray daily for the Lutheran Church of the Epiphany, the campaign, and our hard-working volunteers.

If you are not home for your visit, your bag will be hung on your front door handle or placed on your front porch.



Campaign Prayer

Gracious God,

We thank you that your Spirit calls Epiphany to grow our relationship with you, connect with each other, and serve the world. Keep us faithful to our purpose so that we shine the light of Christ daily.

*We pray for our capital campaign, **Renew & Rejoice**. Grant us wisdom, unity, and generosity. Give us excitement and hope for the future of your church. Open us to see the many blessings you have given us and will continue to give us. We thank you for the many ways people will be generous with their finances, time, talents, and prayers.*

Help each person at Epiphany as we undertake this journey. Draw us closer to you and to each other. Use this time to strengthen the bonds of friendship we have in our church. In Jesus’ name. Amen.



Step 2: Seek in Prayer God's Will for Your Giving

What do we tend to do when the church asks for our support? The common tendency is to consult our spouse, our budget, our bills, our income, our tax situation, our investments, our accountant, etc. Then we determine what we can afford or spare.

Instead, we as Christians should seek to discover what God's will is for us in our giving. A Christian pledge can really only be made on our knees, seeking God's will in fervent prayer.

Prayer is an integral part of the Christian life. The decision on how much to give should not be made without first seeking in prayer what God would have us do.

Colossians 3:16-17

Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly; teach and admonish one another in all wisdom; and with gratitude in your hearts sing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs to God. And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.