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## WE VALUE

Bible-centered  
Preaching &  
Teaching

Dynamic Praise &  
Worship

The Sacraments

Prayer

Evangelism

Christian Education  
for All Ages

Loving Relationships

Strong Christian  
Families

## OUR VISION

By the love of Christ,  
our vision is to work together,  
reaching out to all people,  
through the Gospel,  
in our various activities and events.  
As we encourage each other to worship  
and grow in God's Word,  
we will be a Christian influence  
in our community.

## OUR MISSION

BUILDING TOGETHER SPIRITUALLY  
FOLLOWING THE TRIUNE GOD

## OUR PURPOSE

- Glorifying** God through *WORSHIP*
- Reaching** out to all with the Good News of  
salvation in Christ through *EVANGELISM*
- Actively** caring for God's people in Christ  
through *FELLOWSHIP*
- Creating** a family of God by Word and Sacrament  
through *MINISTRY*
- Equipping** people of all ages for life in Christ  
through *DISCIPLESHIP*

## Notes and Announcements



### Family Fare Receipts

There is a basket on the table in the narthex for these receipts. We are collecting them for the Day Care. If you have questions, please talk to Terry Tody.



Reminder: Noisy offering will be taken on second Sundays!

Noisy Offering for January through March will be going to Lutherans For Life of Michigan.

Thank you for your donations.

LWML is looking for used sheets to use as middles in quilts. If you are cleaning out & find any, please donate them for quilts.

Thank you!

Anyone need name tags? Have you lost, misplaced, or maybe never received name tags? Please contact Mary Heinlein at 989.348.4350 or MtHopeBookkeeper@gmail.com



### SERVING THIS WEEK

#### Altar

5th-Martha Pregler  
12th-Louise Lazzarino  
19th-Marj Kelsey  
26th-Dee Musselman

#### Elders

5th-Jeff Pregler  
12th-Jeff Pregler  
19th-Dave Jansen  
22nd-Dave Jansen  
26th-Dave Jansen

### MT. HOPE'S WEBSITE

Did you know that Mt. Hope has a website? If you go to <http://www.mthopelcmsgrayling.org/> our website will come up. It is a multi page site with much information about our church, our congregation, our Pastor, what programs we are involved with and much more! Although there is a "member log-in" area, this is just for those who work on the site. Nancy Hatfield is our webmaster who keeps our website updated and makes any necessary changes. Anyone who goes to our site can access all pages. So...check it out!



# Mt. Hope Financial Report

Mary Heinlein, Bookkeeper

## Attendance

### GENERAL FUND

	<b>JAN 2023 Year to date</b>	
Income	7,320.50	60,780.49
Expense	-7,918.46	<u>-48,314.36</u>
Net	-597.96	12,466.13

January	1	61
	8	59
	15	65
	22	60
	29	54

### TOTAL ALL EARMARKED FUNDS **73,254.93**

	<b>JAN 2023 Year to date</b>	
Together in Missions	240.00	1,061.80
Christian Help Center	20.00	1,150.00
Noisy Offering	56.62	576.21

	<b>JAN 2023 Total to date</b>	
<b>Church Extension Fund (CEF) Mortgage</b>		<b>470,000.00</b>
Mortgage Principal Payment	1,326.02	31,608.50
Earmarked Principal Payment	4,685.00	<u>95,106.64</u>
Mortgage Interest Payment	1,058.98	
<b>CURRENT MORTGAGE BALANCE</b>		<b>343,284.86</b>

Attention: People need to sign up to host coffee hour or there will not be one.

"Thank You" to Abbi Drews for volunteering to upload our Sunday morning services to the web!!

**Upcoming Food Trucks (all Saturdays)**

- May 6th
- June 10th
- July 22nd
- September 23rd
- October 7th

**TO PLACE SOMEONE ON PRAYER CHAIN:**

Call Lynn Richmond at 989-390-8632 or [lynncarolmorris@yahoo.com](mailto:lynncarolmorris@yahoo.com)

Jamie Wohn will be handling the **sign changes**. Please email him with any necessary info for the sign at [jackwohn3@gmail.com](mailto:jackwohn3@gmail.com) or [jackwohn3@aol.com](mailto:jackwohn3@aol.com). If urgent, text him at **(810) 965-1891**

**Council Approved Minutes**  
**Council Meeting January 24, 2023**  
**Mt. Hope Lutheran Church-LCMS**

Meeting Called to Order by Jeff Pregler at 3:00 pm.

Opening Devotion was given by Salena Laskowski, based on Matthew 20:1-16, **“Not Fair!”** from Portals of Prayer, dated, 10/30/2022.

Opening Prayer was given by Jeff Pregler.

Attendance:

Pastor: Paul Schneider P	Chairman: Jeff Pregler P
Vice Chairman: Salena Laskowski P	Secretary: Sharon Hopkins P
Treasurer: Steve Koch P by Zoom	CADC Liaison: Steve Koch P by Zoom
Elders: Jack Owens P	
Education: Paul Mesack P by Zoom	Evangelism: Terry Tody P
Stewardship: Shirley Koch P by Zoom	Trustees: Mike Shields P by Zoom
CADC: Salena Laskowski P	Youth: Salena Laskowski P

Guest: Mary Heinlein, Dave Jansen, Charlie, Caroline and Charles Belt.

Terry Tody moved the approval of the November 10, 2022 Minutes, seconded by Jack Owens, approved.

Reports: Council and Boards:

Treasurer Steve Koch: Mary Heinlein emailed the reports before the meeting and she presented the report.

November 2022 **Income: \$7,108.50**    **Expenses: \$6,762.36**

**Net gain \$346.14**

2022-2023 YTD    **Income: \$35,092.88**    **Expenses: \$34,492.96**

**Net gain \$599.92**

December 2022 **Income: \$18,367.11**    **Expenses: \$5,902.94**

**Net gain \$12,464.17**

2022-2023 YTD    **Income: \$53,459.99**    **Expenses: \$40,395.90**

**Net gain \$13,064.09**

Mary said Mt. Hope is doing GREAT!

She also reported that the mortgage has been paid \$120,000.00 down from last year.

Steve recognized Mary as doing a good job and that he is very thankful.

He also thanked and welcomed Dave Jansen for stepping up to become Mt. Hope's treasurer for the remainder of Steve's term.

Council Secretary Sharon Hopkins:

Thank you from The Lion's Den for donation of 60 dozen eggs and 12 gallons of milk.

Thank you from New Life PRC & Ultrasound Clinic for many diapers.

Thank you from Lutheran World Relief for \$100.00 Christmas 2022 Matching Gift Challenge.

Thank you from the Dan Stocker family for putting on the amazing luncheon.

Thank you from Toys for Tots in support of the Crawford County children.

Newsletter and Annual report from New Life Pregnancy Resource Center.

A Chamber of Commerce sticker was received and Jeff Pregler will place somewhere.

Sharon announced she will not be at the February Council meeting and asked for someone to take the minutes – Jeff Pregler volunteered.

Chairman Jeff Pregler:

Christmas cards were received from:

The Mahlburg family

A+ Lawn

And thank you for the \$1,000.00 gift to the Crawford County Christian Help Center.

Vice Chairman Salena Laskowski: No report.

Board of Elders Jack Owens:

Pastor Ken will do Sunday worship services.

Pastor Paul will do all administrative work and be in church 2-3 days a week, as well as do a Tuesday morning Bible study.

Pastor Paul and Nicole are updating the member list and getting it ready for publication.

Raises were given to:

Secretary Nicole

Musician A.J.

Mary Heinlein

Pastor Paul and Nicole have made very nice changes to the bulletins – they are informative and look GREAT!

Board of Education Paul Mesack:

The new Ladies Bible study books have been ordered and picked up for distribution.

Board of Evangelism Terry Tody:

Shawono Center

All who went to the center and sang Christmas had a good time with the boys.

The boys appreciated their Christmas gifts.

This year we will be collecting Easter candy and items for the boys Easter bags. They will be delivered, Saturday, April 1<sup>st</sup> and 1:30pm, all are welcomed to go, visit and sing Easter hymns with the boys.

24 Days of Advent: over 350 food items were collected and given to the Roscommon Lion's Den – they were thrilled to receive the food.

Celebrating the 80<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of LWML – we will place the large Mite Box in the entryway and are asking everyone to bring and donate \$0.80 in the Mite Box.

Crawford County Toys For Tots – Mt. Hope received a traveling plaque from them for the most monetary donations given. We raised the funds from last summer's rummage sale. We wish to do that again in August, 2023, therefore hang on to items you plan to get rid this spring while doing spring cleaning. Contact Terry for further details.

The proceeds from this year's sub sandwich sale will go to the Roscommon Lion's Den. They will go on sale through February 5<sup>th</sup> and be picked up on February 12<sup>th</sup> after worship service in time for the football game.

Terry met with the Food Bank of Eastern Michigan and scheduled the 2023 Food Trucks, all are on Saturday and she presented the schedule.

The February pot luck will be on February 19<sup>th</sup>, a week later due to the Super Bowl.

The April Pot luck will be the week after Easter.

Terry Tody moved to use the Mt. Hope Fellowship Hall from December 11-15, 2023 for distribution of toys for Crawford County Toys for Tots, seconded by Salena Laskowski, approved.

Terry explained the Toys for Tots project and process – they are well organized.

There was discussion on Coffee Hour.

Board of Stewardship Shirley Koch:

The Chewing Stewardship message was placed in the Anchor and bulletins each month upon receiving the information.

We are waiting for our Elders to give us clarification of membership, so we can go forward with TTT forms.

Have purchased a new bin to place in garage storage area for Adopt A Highway materials.

We continue to contact Mitch Linendoll to ensure he has information to place on our Facebook Page. He seems to be doing quite well now.

Abbi Drews has agreed to publish the weekly church service U Tube video. She seems to need encouragement to publish on Sunday afternoon soon after service ends.

Still need Ushers and Greeters to sign up.

Our page to highlight happenings at Mt Hope has been improved, thanks to Pastor Paul.

The Christmas florals in the Ladies room have been changed to more winter like.

Leaving the Christmas wreaths up for a few weeks.

Board of Trustee Mike Shields: Charlie Belt gave the report.

The outside sign will cost between \$1,200.00 to \$1,500.00 to repair.

Mary Heinlein and Charlie will contact the Methodist Church for additional info on repairing the sign.

Charlie is working with Marty on creating a stream line cleaning list for Marty to follow as to what his cleaning duties are.

The Spring Church Cleanup will be either in April or May depending on weather. Contact Charlie for additional information and to sign-up to be a part of this fun filled work. Many hands make small work for all.

Board of Youth Jason Hartman/Salena Laskowski/Sharon Hopkins:

Sunday school – families are in agreement that we'd like to continue with Sunday school during services.

Held during the sermon.

We use the ***The Story Bible***.

We begin with an opening prayer, then we read the Story followed by related activities.

Family night:

Held the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of each month.

November 14<sup>th</sup> was games and snacks with 24 attending.

December 12<sup>th</sup> Christmas party, with White Elephant gift exchange, finger foods and singing – 18 people attended.

January 9<sup>th</sup> 2023 was movie night – ***Amazing Grace*** with snacks and 24 people attending.

There is a time change beginning in February from 6:00pm to 5:00pm to accommodate our children and their bedtimes.

February 13, 2023 will begin a new time – 5:00pm with pizza and games.

We'll ask for donations for the pizza and use Youth Funds to help offset the cost.

Annual State and National Gatherings

State gatherings are odd years and national gatherings are even.

State gathering 2023: June 25-28 "Anchor and Hope" Senior high youth gathering at Mackinaw Island. Mission Point. 4 days/3 nights. \$395/person. Early registration ends February 15.

National gathering: 2024 is not scheduled yet.

Youth board communication

Monthly updates

Emails to Nicole – Sharon

Council updates – Salena

Elder updates - Jason

Mt. Hope/Crawford Au Sable Day Care Liaison Salena Laskowski/Steve Koch:

Current Enrollment

8 Infant & Toddler aged children enrolled

22 preschool aged children enrolled

36 Latch Key (school aged) children enrolled

Mortgage/Rent

\$315 additional monthly payment is being made on the principle of the mortgage.

We paid \$19,450 additional payments toward the principal of the mortgage in 2022

Grants

Weyerhaeuser Grant for \$2,500 for playground equipment

Licensing

New consultant assigned

This is our 6<sup>th</sup> since 2020

My Little Free Library

It is currently inside the building until the ground thaws, and it will be placed out front

CADC Board of Director

Steve Koch has resigned as the CADC/Mt. Hope Liaison

He recommended Caroline Belt; she accepted the position and attended her 1<sup>st</sup> CADC meeting last week

Building Concerns:

Playground off back of pavilion

We are hoping to complete this project early spring/summer

New sign

Dedicated to Steve Koch for all of his work with obtaining this new facility – in his memory. When the sign is completed it will be placed in the Pavilion and new Sound Garden.

LFL Life Team Sharon Hopkins:

Articles have been sent to Nicole for the Anchor.

We would like to invite a representative from New Life Pregnancy Resource Center to speak with us at April's pot luck Sunday to explain their program.

We also would like to collect diapers again this year for New Life Pregnancy Resource Center and be a part of their baby bottle program if Council approves.

We are still studying "Wonderfully Made" with our teen and young adults.

Terry Tody moved to invite a representative from New Life Pregnancy & resource Center to Mt.

Hope's April 16<sup>th</sup> Pot Luck, with a monetary donation given and also invite other churches, Jack Owens seconded, approved.

Jack Owens moved to accept all reports, seconded by Terry Tody, accepted.

Unfinished Business:

CADC update

Driveway Upgrade – April 2023.

Generator Installation Project completed.

District 10 Board of Health/Water Inspection – Jim's Well Drilling – completed in November 2022.

Comtronics Electronic Security System Proposal – Expand Services

Waiting for a new bid as requirements have changed. Still outstanding.

Charlie Belt explained the difference between Comtronics and EPS quotes.

Jack Owens moved to approve subject to revised estimate from Comtronics, Terry Tody seconded, approved.

Greeters/Ushers Scheduling & Notification – incomplete

Jeff Pregler has sign-up sheets and he'll announce on Sundays.

Facebook Editor/Administrator – Mitch Linendoll is doing a good job.

AV – Weekly Service Video – Abbi Drews is doing a good job.

Call Update Jeff Pregler:

3 candidates interviewed.

Mt. Hope & Trinity Dual Parish meeting – January 29, 2023.

LCMS 68<sup>th</sup> regular Convention of the LCMS Church

Pastor Paul to speak with Tim and Jeff, both church chairmen, before deciding who will attend.

Dual Congregation Board Meeting Update: Jeff Pregler

A scheduled quarter meeting will be set up in the next 2-3 weeks.

New Business:

Steve Koch resigned his Treasurer office position, accepted and he was thanked for his service.

Dave Jansen was appointed by Jeff Pregler to the office of Treasurer for the remainder of Steve Koch's term.

Update Mt. Hope Church authorized bank account signers, as follows:

Replace Steve Koch with Dave Jansen.  
Dave Jansen, Treasurer  
John J. Pregler, Chairman  
Jack Owens, Head Elder  
Mary Heinlein, Bookkeeper

Steve Koch resigned his CADC Board Member Liaison position, accepted and he was thanked for his service.

Caroline Belt was appointed by Jeff Pregler to the office of CADC Board Member Liaison position as of today for the remainder of Steve Koch's term.

Charlie Belt III was accepted as a Trustee and Council Board member.

Open Board Position – Crawford Community Christian Help Center  
Terry Tody explained that with the new administrator the original vision is gone.  
Tabled till next month.

Allocation of "Noisy Offering" 2023 Donations for 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, and 4<sup>th</sup> quarter.  
Terry Tody gave the list to Mary Heinlein.

Shawono Boys Evangelism Budget Allocation – Easter Bags  
Bibles have been purchased.  
In March will begin a collection of items for the Easter bags.

Food Bank of Eastern Michigan – 2023 Schedule  
Terry Tody presented the 2023 schedule

CEF Grants Worker Wellness Grant, \$2,500.00 – 2023  
Jeff Pregler and Pastor Paul to check it out.

Mt. Hope Electronic Sign & Message Board – repair update  
See trustee report.

Church Video License International (CVLI) – review/membership  
Discussion  
Pastor Paul volunteered to get the licenses that are needed for Family Movie Night.

Family Game Night – 02/13/2023  
Hosted by Jeff and Martha Pregler.  
Terry Tody to help with the purchase of pizzas.

Mt. Hope Membership Updates – Shirley Graff, Sherman Family and Dent Family  
Shirley Graff is now attending the E-Free Church and the Elders need to remove her from Mt. Hope's membership list.  
The Sherman family are now members.  
The Dent Family are now members.

Miscellaneous Outreach Requests



Terry Tody to take care of the Band Boosters.

The next meeting will be on February 21, 2023 at 3:00 pm.

Acting Secretary will be Jeff Pregler.

The Devotion will be led by Salena Laskowski.

We closed with a prayer prepared by Jeff Pregler.

Terry Tody moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Jack Owens, adjourned.

Adjournment was at 4:59pm.

Respectively submitted by,

Sharon Hopkins, Congregation Secretary

**Reminder about inclement weather and church functions:** Our policy for bad weather cancellations has been to cancel morning Bible studies, etc. when local schools close. Evening meetings and events will probably continue, as long as road crews are out and a storm is not intensifying. Sunday services, as well as Advent and Lent midweek services, are seldom cancelled. However, do not attempt to drive if your local conditions are poor and you are uncomfortable driving in the weather!



**THE AMOUNT AND QUALITY OF TIME WE SPEND WITH GOD DETERMINES THE RELATIONSHIP WE HAVE WITH HIM. WHERE WE SPEND OUR TIME SHOWS WHAT OUR VALUES ARE.**

“Look carefully then how you walk, not as unwise but as wise, making the best use of the time, because the days are evil” (Ephesians 5:15-16).



**GOD LOVES US UNCONDITIONALLY, AND HIS LOVE IN US OVERFLOWS THROUGH US TO OTHERS.**

“A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another: just as I have loved you, you also are to love one another. By this all people will know that you are My disciples, if you have love for one another” (John 13:34-35).



**BECAUSE CHRIST ABIDES IN US AND WE IN HIM, WE CAN BEAR FRUIT.**

“You did not choose Me, but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit and that your fruit should abide...” (John 15:16).



**UNFORTUNATELY, MANY CHOOSE A WORLDLY FOCUS, AND THEY DON'T DISCOVER UNTIL LATER IN LIFE, IF AT ALL, HOW EMPTY THE PURSUIT OF WORLDLY SUCCESS IS.**

“For what will it profit a man if he gains the whole world and forfeits his soul? (Matthew 16:26)



## Enjoying God's Gift of Money

*"God...richly provides us with everything to enjoy"* (1 Timothy 6:17). Of all the wonderful gifts that God gives us, the one we struggle with the most is money. In order to enjoy money, we need to control it rather than letting it control us. Controlling our money requires spending some time and effort in planning how we are going to save, spend, and give it. If we fail to control and plan how we are going to manage our money, our financial lives will be filled with disappointment, frustration, and chaos, rather than the enjoyment of the money God enables us to earn (Deuteronomy 8:18).

God's Word gives us wisdom on the importance of saving, spending, and giving money so money can be a blessing that we can enjoy.

Saving: It is not easy to save money because our sinful nature is always craving for more and more possessions, as luxuries become, in our minds, necessities. The Bible tells us that saving for the future and investing what we save is a wise thing to do. In Proverbs 21:20 we read, *"Precious treasure and oil are in a wise man's dwelling, but a foolish man devours it."* We are also told to observe the ant who gathers food for the winter (Proverbs 6:6-8). Saving money will help us make better decisions and ensure that we will have money to pay for things we need without incurring interest charges. Saving will enable us to enjoy our money because we won't always be in a financial crisis.

Spending: Televangelist John Hagee wrote, "Since my money is God's money, every spending decision I make is a spiritual decision." In Matthew's Gospel, we are warned, *"Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy..."* (Matthew 6:19). Only by controlling our spending on luxuries for ourselves will we be able to save and to give in ways that lay up treasures in Heaven. In order to use wisely and enjoy the money God gives us, we need to have a spending plan.

Giving: By God's grace, we will live wisely in order to give generously. Jesus said, *"It is more blessed to give than to receive"* (Acts 20:35). Through the work of the Holy Spirit, we will be able and willing to give money through our church on the first day of every week according to the blessings that we receive from Him (1 Corinthians 16:2). As Rev. Stephen Olford, a 20<sup>th</sup> century Christian leader, aptly stated, "Giving satisfies the soul, edifies the church, and magnifies the Lord." God's Word exhorts us to give cheerfully and generously (2 Corinthians 9:7). In giving, we emulate God's nature of giving, which enables us to experience the joy of giving.

### Stewardship Corner

God's Word tells us that we are saved by grace through faith (Ephesians 2:8). Through the work of the Holy Spirit, we understand that our works and deeds play no part in our justification. But unless faith produces works of love and obedience it is dead (James 2:14-17). In the words of Martin Luther, "There is a beautiful agreement between faith and good works; nevertheless, it is faith alone which apprehends the blessing without works, and yet faith is at no time alone."

### Stewardship Corner

A steward is one to whom certain property is entrusted to be managed according to the will or direction of the owner. A faithful steward does not hide or bury the resources or fail to be trustworthy in conducting the master's business as was the case with the third servant in the Parable of the Talents (Matthew 25:14-30). We have the responsibility to use the gifts given to us in a loving, gracious manner as we faithfully carry out our master's will. Because of our faithfulness, we will hear the words, *"Well done, good and faithful servant"* (verse 21).

### Stewardship Corner

In 1 Peter 4:10, we read that the Holy Spirit gives each of us different gifts that are to be used in service to others. *"As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace"* (1 Peter 4:10). God wants each of us to be more than spectators. It is God's will that we understand and fulfill the tasks that He gives to each of us. With the gifts that God has entrusted to us, we function together as God's people and make the Body of Christ function for His glory. The good of all is enhanced when we make our contribution.

### Stewardship Corner

In the Parable of the Dishonest Manager (Luke 16:1-13), the master fired his steward or manager, because he was not doing a good job. The steward was not being responsible or was mismanaging his master's money so he was discharged from his duties. This leads to the question for us: Are we faithfully managing God's possessions? Are we demonstrating our faithfulness by living for and serving God? Jesus ends this parable with the words *"No servant can serve two masters..."* For most of us the ultimate question is "Are we living for worldly things or are we serving God?"



Sharon Hopkins~1st  
Louise Lazzarino~5th  
Brooklynn Laskowski~22nd  
Sharon Wakeley~23rd  
George Ferguson~25th  
Mary Heinlein~25th  
Kenneth Hopkins~25th  
Salena Laskowski~30th

Anniversaries

Healing

Members

Sharon Hopkins  
Dave Mauro  
Judi Riske  
Alyssa Wohn  
Bill Richmond

Friends

Weston Davis  
Annette Vittiglio  
Mary Vess  
Billy Luckstead  
Terry Davis  
Sue Pierce  
Kendra Daschner  
Joan Reisch

Cancer

Members

David Lauria  
Lynn Richmond  
Paul Smith  
Barb Mauro


Friends


Bill Luckstead  
Bill Burrick  
Sue Rebandt  
Richard Lovell  
Donna LaDuke  
Jim Dugdale  
Don Kernstock  
Barb Vidal



In Military Service

Christopher Dysinger, Kevin Krokosky,  
Darin Nicholas, Jeremiah Hose, Travis Kulak,  
Andre' Miller, Keil Clough, Trevor Clough,  
Todd McCarver, Victoria Doster,  
Conrad Weissenborn, Rick Dillenbeck

	<p><b>Dollie Adolph</b> <b>Jean Wittig</b></p>
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 <p><i>In Our Prayers</i></p>	<p><b><u>PRAYER REQUESTS</u></b></p> <p>Prayer request forms are available either in the Narthex on the podium by the guest book or in the office on the secretary's desk. If you need a prayer by Pastor that day, you can give your completed prayer request form to one of the elders or ushers and ask that it be given to Pastor before worship. If your prayer request isn't needed until later in the week, you can place it in the offering plate or place it on the secretary's desk in the office.</p>
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<p><b><u>Assisted Living &amp; Nursing Home List</u></b></p> <p><b><u>Michigan Veterans Homes - Grand Rapids</u></b> Kenneth Hopkins</p> <p><b><u>The Lighthouse at Roscommon</u></b> Elsa Knutson</p>
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## Mid-Week Stewardship Thought

### Allowing God to Work Through You

In every church, there are people who continually rise to the occasion to get the work done. Although God calls each of us to follow and serve Him, many of us are much more concerned about our own lives and goals than assisting in the Lord's work. If we focus on "I, me, mine, and myself," we take care of "number one" to the exclusion of helping and serving. In our prayers, we should be asking God to grant us hearts that want to serve, and we should be asking Him, "What do You want to achieve through me today?"

**Prayer:** Dear Heavenly Father, You have blessed me with talents and abilities. Help me find ways to use my gifts to serve in my church and advance Your kingdom. In Jesus' precious and holy name I pray. Amen.



**Blessings on your stewardship journey!**

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