



Dear Joy,

We hope this letter finds you in good health and high spirits. Fall is in the air! The days are shorter, the nights are cooler, and the trees have begun to change. And, it is a time for change at Joy!

Our Fall Stewardship campaign is based on the powerful idea expressed in the following verse.

"Let mutual love continue. Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it." (Hebrews 13:1-2, NRSV)

Joy! is a unique church in Lake County. We take inclusivity seriously! It's time that we shout it from the housetops and be overly prepared for the angels God is sending our way. At Joy! Lutheran Church, we have always been a community that prides itself on the warmth and openness we extend to one another. This fall, we are excited to deepen our commitment to these values as we embark on this stewardship journey together. The "Entertaining Angels" campaign is a call to recognize the divine potential within every interaction we have, every stranger we meet, and every opportunity to extend hospitality.

Over the course of the next few weeks, you will be hearing about the financial initiatives for our stewardship campaign and how those dollars will be used. Here's how you can prepare:

1. **COMMIT** – Commit to attending worship for the series Entertaining Angels.
2. **READ** - Read all emails and letters that are sent. They will contain pertinent and timely information for the campaign.
3. **PRAY** – Pray for all the people who will discover Joy! in the future and hear the good news that they are loved.

In embracing the "Entertaining Angels" campaign, we are opening our hearts and minds to the potential for transformation in every interaction, every act of kindness, and every shared moment. Let us come together in the spirit of hospitality and love, as we explore the boundless opportunities that lie ahead.

Thank you for your ongoing support and dedication to Joy! Lutheran Church. We look forward to embarking on this journey of stewardship and growth with you.

Blessings and peace,

The Joy! Stewardship Team