

## St. Luke Serbian Orthodox Church

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Dear St. Luke Parishioners, Brothers and Sisters,

We are writing to you to discuss the topic of stewardship and its importance to each of us as Orthodox Christians. As you may know, our St. Luke Church receives no financial support from the Diocese or the Serbian Orthodox Church in the motherland, which means it depends solely on us in the parish and continues to exist only from our support. God has made each of us stewards of His Church by giving us certain talents, abilities, and financial resources that are unique for each of us to put into service. As such, stewardship encompasses the annual pledging and giving back of a worthy portion of these gifts to serve God and His Church.

This year during Great and Holy Lent, we are kicking off a Parish Stewardship Pledge Drive in which we are asking each parishioner/family to pray in contemplation and submit an online pledge form which represents your best estimate of your giving of your talents, abilities, and financial support to help our church in the coming year. Your pledge is not a legal contract, but rather a commitment made in good faith. If your circumstances change, for whatever reason, just let us know and we can make adjustments at any time.

Once the forms have been submitted, the information will be compiled and used to establish a list of parishioners who consider our parish to be their worship community, ensure the accuracy of information we provide to the Diocese, improve our ability to plan for and staff parish events, strengthen our parish's financial status, and allow us to meet the overall needs of our community.

We kindly ask each parishioner/family to participate by going to the link below and filling out and submitting the on-line pledge form by no later than April 30, 2024:

## Stewardship Pledge Form 2024 (google.com)

\*If you previously submitted a hardcopy pledge form, please submit an updated version online using the link above.

We pray that you will sustain our St. Luke Serbian Orthodox Church and its many ministries and take an active part in its life. As always, we thank you for your generous and continued support of our parish.

Sincerely Yours in Christ, Trusteeship Board of Saint Luke Serbian Orthodox Church