

December 10, 2024



People of Hope,

Once again, thank you from our entire Stewardship team for engaging with us as we have encouraged and challenged you to prayerfully consider your financial intents for Esperanza's ministry in 2025. Over the past month, we have joyfully sung, "**Great is Thy Faithfulness!**" as we have explored our three major themes for continued growth and sustainability for Esperanza in the year ahead. Together we have committed to **Deepen the Wells of our Faith, Build Bridges Into Our Community, and Invest in Our Future.**

Thank you to all of you who have already completed and turned in your giving intents. Your faithful response has encouraged our stewardship and finance teams. Your generosity is indeed a blessing to us all. To date, we have received 85% of our goal of 73 intents, and have experienced a significant increase in pledged giving from those who have already turned in their intents. Among those intents received are several givers who have filled out a pledge for Esperanza for the very first time.

If you haven't yet turned in your giving intent, there is still time to do so! Feel free to drop it off to the office or you can send it by mail. You can also fill out your giving intent online at <https://myesperanza.org/intent-card/>. Your faithful response to God's faithfulness helps us chart the future of Esperanza in 2025 and beyond. Many of the things we do as a community are only possible due to your generosity.

As we approach the end of 2024, know that any donations received prior to January 1 will count toward your 2024 giving statement for tax purposes. There are several opportunities to join us in worship and service between now and the end of the year, where you are able to offer your financial gift to the ongoing ministries of Esperanza. Some of them are listed on the back of this letter. We look forward to your continued support of these and all of Esperanza's ministries.

Thank you for your generous response to God's faithfulness experienced at Esperanza Lutheran. Your support and partnership allow Esperanza to continue being a voice of hope in Ahwatukee and the world in which we are blessed to abide.

With joyful gratitude,

The Esperanza Stewardship Team
Linda Dickson, Chuck Yount, Tami Hass,
Barb Yurka, and Pastor Chris Heller

Upcoming Events for Esperanza

Wednesday, December 11 – Midweek Advent Worship at 7:00pm

Wednesday, December 18 – Blue Christmas Worship at 7:00pm

Tuesday, December 24 – Family Christmas Eve Worship at 4:00pm

Tuesday, December 24 – Traditional Christmas Eve Worship at 7:00pm

Sunday, December 29 – Lessons and Carols Service at 9:00am

All are welcome to any and all of these events!



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