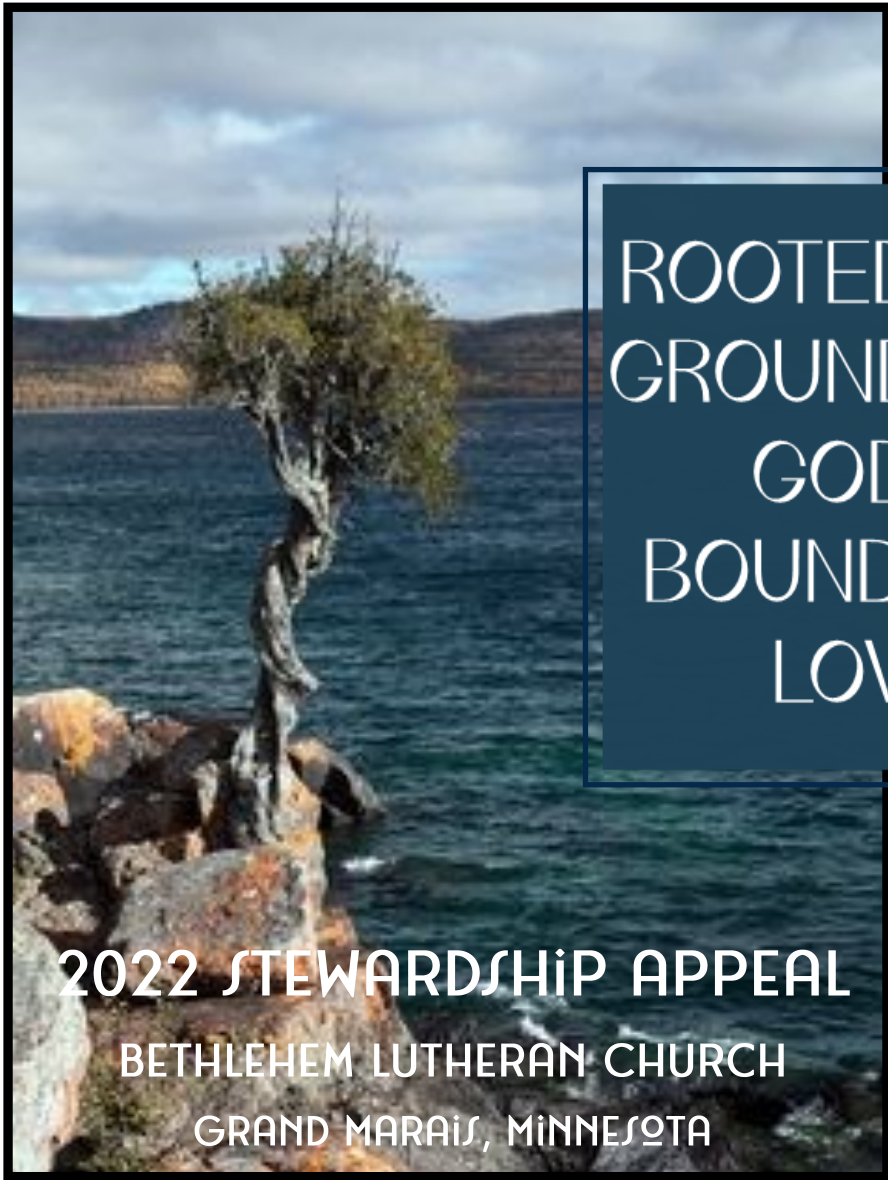


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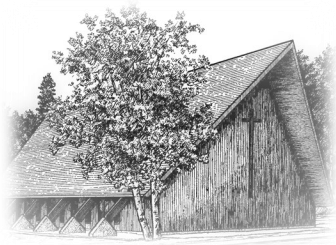


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Ephesians 3:17*

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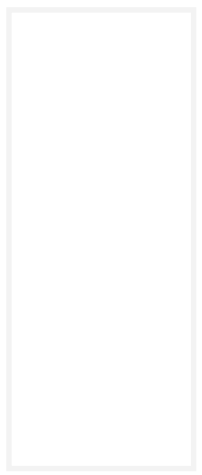


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STEWARDSHIP 2022

PARTNERS IN MINISTRY,

"ROOTED AND GROUNDED IN GOD'S BOUNDLESS LOVE" is the theme of our fall Stewardship Appeal for our year of mission and ministry in 2022. Some of you will recognize this borrows upon the 2022 National ELCA Youth Gathering theme based on Ephesians 3:17



"May Christ dwell in your hearts through faith, as you are being rooted and grounded in love."

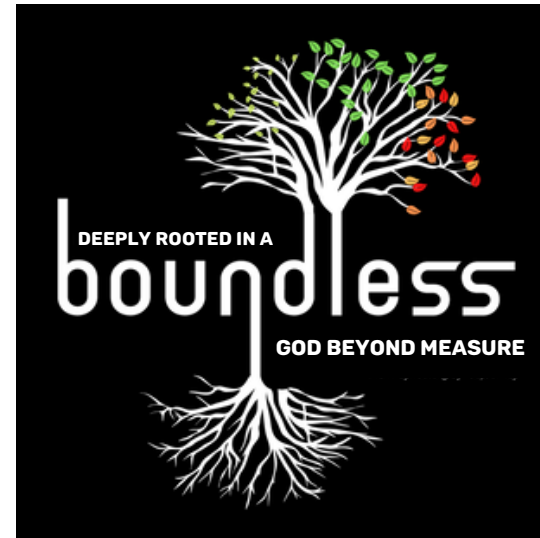
We encourage one another to remember and rely on God's boundless love which as Ephesians 3:21 reports "CAN DO FAR MORE THAN WE DARE ASK OR IMAGINE." **boundless** is God's love for the world and for you. We pray that the breadth and depth of this truth may inspire us all as we remember and rely on **GOD'S boundless LOVE**, boundless mercy, boundless freedom, boundless creation, boundless strength.

GENERATIONAL IMPACT

Bethlehem has a long history of sharing faith from one generation to the next. Along with our music ministry, strong worship experiences, our attention to faith formation among children and youth has been one of our highest ministry values. As we continue to emerge from COVID dangers we are committed to building back strong in all areas of our shared ministry in Christ's name, and especially toward the needs of our youth and family program.

Our hope and prayer is that through worship, fellowship, service opportunities, Bible studies, on-line outreach and more that Bethlehem Lutheran will be able to strengthen each member's assurance that they are indeed

**ROOTED AND
GROUNDED IN GOD'S
boundless LOVE.**



2022 GOAL:

*Our additional hope is that
we can put a*

YOUTH MINISTER

back on staff to further

**OUR MINISTRY OF
FAITH FORMATION.**



PRAYERFUL CONSIDERATION

We are excited to invite you to respond to our

GOD OF boundless LOVE

as we seek to serve together in God's mission. Starting Sunday, October 17, 2021. You will be invited to consider increasing your offerings and statements of intent (pledges) to be used to achieve our goals.

Each Sunday we will hear a message from members and our Bishops about the importance of Christian stewardship.

Please pray about this request and do your best to respond generously as the Lord leads.

Enclosed is a pledge form to consider how you may be able to take the next step.

Pray for our common work together as we continue to reach out with the Gospel message of Jesus Christ. Thank you!

Grace abounds ~

Mark H. Ditmanson, Pastor

William Strand, Intern Pastor

Eric Anderson, Congregational President