



September, 2023

Greetings Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

I hope this letter finds you well as we head toward the end of another very good year at First Church. It is hard to believe that it is already time to start thinking about 2024. We have accomplished so much this year including good growth and strong finances. We gained momentum early in 2023 and kept the pedal down throughout the year.

In September, our Stewardship campaign begins which allows the Finance Committee and church leadership to make plans and vision for the future. This year, our theme is The Legacy of the Gospels. Pastor Devon will be talking about living out our legacies and what we hope it will mean to future generations, as well as finding a greater purpose and meaning as we consider who God is calling us to be. Start praying about what that means for your family. Commitment Sunday will be October 1st and I would ask that you consider these three points:

1. The direction of our church is based upon the commitments received during the Stewardship Campaign which includes ministers, lay staff, programs, outreach and apportionments.
2. Many new and exciting things are happening at our church that need financial support. Making your commitment known during this planning time will help us allocate funds for the many programs in our church.
3. Your regular and faithful giving assures that we meet our commitments and expenses every month.

In closing, please reach out to myself, anyone on the finance committee, or Pastor Devon if you have any questions about church finances or our Stewardship Campaign. Each of us play a vital role in the mission of First Church and I look forward to “building our legacy” into 2024.

Continued Blessings to All,

Andy Swann
Finance Chair

Grace and Peace,

Devon Krause
Senior Pastor