

December 18, 2020

Dear People of God,

Grace and peace to you from our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ!

The Apostle Paul, in his letter to the Philippians, writes, "And my God will fully satisfy every need of yours according to his riches in glory in Christ Jesus." (Philippians 4:19 NRSV) This has been quite a year and indeed God has abundantly provided for our ministry expenses so that we can continue to proclaim the good news of Jesus Christ to the world. We are so grateful for the faithful stewardship of your time, talents, and money over this past year. Together, we were able to accomplish much amidst uncertain and unprecedented times. Thank you all very much for your generosity and commitment to the work we share in the name of Jesus Christ!

We live out our baptismal calling and do God's work in the world in a variety of ways throughout the year individually and as a congregation. Each year our budget provides 2.5% of the General Fund income as financial support to eight ministry partners. A short description of each is found on the next page. We invite you to consider sending a donation to Bethany by the end of December to help us support these missions. (Please designate it to the Mission Fund.)

Again, we give thanks dear people of God for each of you! The love of Christ is poured out upon our congregation and flows through each one of us to our neighbors and together we are the light of Christ shining in the world God created and so loves!

Blessings,

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