

## Stewardship or giving are a way of life rooted in John Wesley's teachings on discipleship.

Methodists understand stewardship as the faithful management of all that God entrusts to us—time, talents, treasures, relationships, and the created world. We believe that everything is a gift from God, not something we own. Our response to God's grace in our lives is to give generously of our time, our finances, and our hearts. This is not earning grace rather it is a response to God's grace.

At St. Andrew's we encourage everyone to give to the general fund as a practice of spiritual discipline. Scripture encourages a tithe which is 10%. For some, that can feel overwhelming. To start giving, give a percentage consistently for a period and see how God blesses you through your generosity. If you are able, increase that amount over time as a spiritual discipline. What you will see is that our finances are directly connected to our spiritual growth. God is looking to be Lord of all our lives, and that includes our finances.

Bring the whole tenth-part to the storage house so there might be food in my house.

Please test me in this, says the Lord of heavenly forces. See whether I do not open all the windows of the heavens for you and empty out a blessing until there is enough.

Malachi 3:10



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