TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

NOVEMBER 8, 2026
11:00 A.M.

✠ Rise in body or in spirit.
The congregation speaks/ sings the text in **bold** type.

For information about the ministries, mission, and activities of Duluth First UMC, please visit **duluthumc.org**.

Children are welcome in worship!

Children's activity sheets & crayons are available at the main entrance to help guide them in active participation of worship.

Children newborn through Pre-K are invited to go to ***Childcare Corner***, near the Gathering Room.

Listening devices are available during all worship services. Please see an usher or greeter for assistance.

Duluth First United Methodist Church
·Est. 1871·

ENTRANCE

Chiming the Trinity

✠ Welcome, Greeting One Another — Rev. Dr. AnnaKate Rawles, *Associate Pastor*

Attendance Registration, Announcements

Voluntary | *Flower Duet* – Leo Delibes — Katie Jones & Julia Wharton, *Vocalists*; Seoyoung Lee, *Organist*

✠ Call to Worship

Open our eyes to see the neighbor.
Open our hearts to feel true mercy.
Open our hands to act with love—
To act with radical love towards our neighbors.
Our hope is you, Lord,
Guide us as we seek to lead lives worthy of your name. Amen.

✠ Hymn 415 | *Take Up Thy Cross* – GERMANY

✠ Call to Confession, Prayer of Confession, Declaration of Forgiveness

God is our refuge and our strength, a very present help in trouble. Therefore let us confess our sin.

Holy One, help us be still and know that you are God. Too often we move at such a hectic pace that we neglect our relationship with you. Our lives become full of distractions that are nothing but shifting sand. Restore and strengthen us, O God, to rebuild our lives on the foundation of your Word, in Jesus' name. Amen.

Friends, hear the promise of our faith: God hears us when we cry for help and shows us steadfast love. Therefore let your hearts take courage, for God is faithful to us and has redeemed us.

✠ Affirmation of Faith | *A Statement of Faith of the United Church of Canada*

We are not alone; we live in God's world. We believe in God: who has created and is creating, who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh, to reconcile and make new, who works in us and others by the Spirit. We trust in God. We are called to be the Church: to celebrate God's presence, to love and serve others, to seek justice and resist evil, to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen, our judge and our hope. In life, in death, in life beyond death, God is with us. We are not alone. Thanks be to God. Amen.

✠ Response 70 | *Glory Be to the Father* – MEINEKE

THANKSGIVING

Ministry Moment | *Grow One Step* Rev. Terry Tippens, *Senior Pastor*

Receiving God's Tithe & Our Offering

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Offertory | *Yes, I'm Bound for the Promised Land!* – arr. Lloyd Larson
Members of the Chancel Choir; Susan Johnson, *Pianist*

✠ Doxology 94 | *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* – LASST UNS ERFREUEN
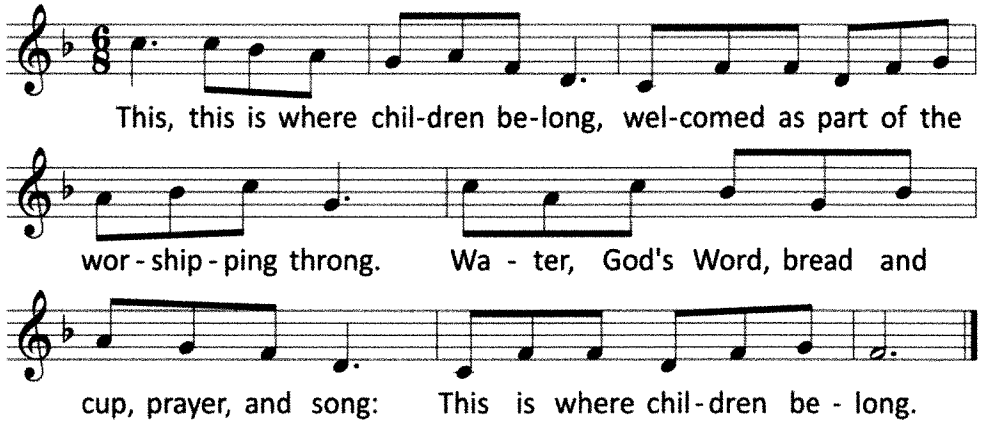
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise God, all creatures here below:
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God, the source of all our gifts!
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Your giving is the sole support of the ministries of Duluth First UMC.

For online giving, go to duluthumc.org/online-giving, or scan the QR code with your mobile device.

PROCLAMATION & RESPONSE

Hymn | Where Children Belong - RITCHIE



Children's Message Greg Whitlock

✠ Scripture | Mark 10:17-30 Rev. Terry Tippens

New Revised Standard Version, Updated Edition

17 As he was setting out on a journey, a man ran up and knelt before
him and asked him, "Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal
life?" 18 Jesus said to him, "Why do you call me good? No one is good
but God alone. 19 You know the commandments: 'You shall not murder.
You shall not commit adultery. You shall not steal. You shall not bear
false witness. You shall not defraud. Honor your father and mother.' "
20 He said to him, "Teacher, I have kept all these since my youth."
21 Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said, "You lack one thing; go, sell
what you own, and give the money to the poor, and you will have
treasure in heaven; then come, follow me." 22 When he heard this, he
was shocked and went away grieving, for he had many possessions.

23 Then Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, "How hard it will
be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!" 24 And
the disciples were perplexed at these words. But Jesus said to them
again, "Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! 25 It is
easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone
who is rich to enter the kingdom of God." 26 They were greatly
astounded and said to one another, "Then who can be saved?" 27 Jesus
looked at them and said, "For mortals it is impossible, but not for God;
for God all things are possible."

28 Peter began to say to him, "Look, we have left everything and
followed you." 29 Jesus said, "Truly I tell you, there is no one who has
left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields
for my sake and for the sake of the good news 30 who will not receive a
hundredfold now in this age—houses, brothers and sisters, mothers
and children, and fields, with persecutions—and in the age to come
eternal life.

The Word of God for the people of God.
Thanks be to God.

Sermon | *Giving = Living*

Anthem | *Surrender* – Heather Sorensen Susan Johnson, *Pianist*

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Those who wish to join the church today are invited to come forward as we sing the final hymn.

For questions regarding membership, contact Rev. Dr. AnnaKate Rawles – arawles@duluthumc.org or 770.476.3776, x. 128.

Invitation to Christian Discipleship & Church Membership

SENDING FORTH

✠ Hymn 568 | *Christ for the World We Sing* (verses 1 & 4) – ITALIAN HYMN

Reception of New Members (as applicable) Hymnal, pgs. 34, 38

We give thanks for all that God has already given you and we welcome you in Christian love. As members together with you in the body of Christ and in this congregation of The United Methodist Church, we renew our covenant faithfully to participate in the ministries of the church by our prayers, our presence, our gifts, our service, and our witness, that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ.

✠ Benediction

✠ Postlude Seoyoung Lee, *Organist*

ALSO SERVING IN WORSHIP TODAY

Acolyte & Cross Bearer:
Grace Saxelby
Sarah Johnson

Audio/Visual Team:
Daniel Lee
Lynne Ometer
Lee Castleberry

Usher Captains:
David Burleson
Charlie Doerlich

Flower Guild:
Laura Cox
Susan Baker

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in honor of Al & Barbara Kanitz's 19th wedding anniversary,
by Al Karnitz.

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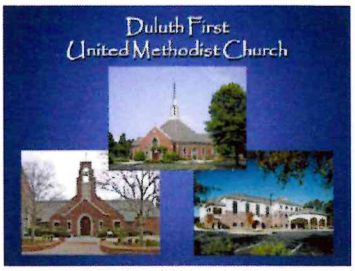
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The Sunday Supplement

NOVEMBER 8, 2026

Welcome to Duluth First United Methodist Church!

We are glad that you came to worship with us today. The mission of Duluth First United Methodist Church is to make disciples of Jesus Christ. If you are looking for more information about Duluth First United Methodist Church and its ministries, Bible studies, and other programs and events, please be sure to visit our church's website at **www.duluthumc.org**.



To join Duluth First United Methodist Church, please come forward as we sing the song that follows the Invitation to Church Membership.

If you have any questions regarding membership or you are visiting and would like additional information, please contact Rev. Dr. AnnaKate Rawles, Associate Pastor, by e-mail at **arawles@duluthumc.org**, or call 770-476-3776, ext. 128.

Prayer Concerns

• David Baker • Doug Bridges • Larry Bunten • Dale Burns • Ann Fleming • Margaret Gaskins • Lawrence Gibbs
• Jim Green • Sherry Griffeth • Shamain Hallett • Bryan Johnson • Judy Lutz • Ann Reifert • Marilyn Scheiwe

• Youth and adult leaders on the Youth Fall Retreat (November 6th - 8th) at the Glisson Camp and Retreat Center.

• Tracy Brinker & family in the death of her aunt.
• Ivy Doss & family in the death of her mother.
• The family of Billye Jo Fuchs in her death.
• Jim Hall & family in the death of his aunt.
• Linton & Jan Jones & family in the death of Linton's sister.
• Tammy Sherrill & family in the death of her aunt.



Want someone to talk to?
Stephen Ministers are there for you.

For more information or to request the support and care of a Stephen Minister, contact Rev. Dr. C. Kay Fuino by e-mail at ckfuino@duluthumc.org.



"Bundle Up for Buffalo" Annual Fundraiser: November 14th & 15th

Our annual missions fundraiser, ***Bundle Up for Buffalo***, will be held on Saturday, November 14th, and Sunday, November 15th. The fundraiser will be held in the Dorothy L. Rainey Fellowship Hall on November 14th from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., and on November 15th from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. (the sale will be closed during the worship services). All proceeds from the ***Bundle Up for Buffalo*** fundraiser help our sister church, Seneca Street United Methodist Church in Buffalo, NY, keep the heat on their facility during the winter months which fall from October 2026 through April 2027. Last year, we raised enough money to designate this church to be a warming center, where people, including 75 plus children, could come into the building and get a bite to eat if their own heat had been turned off or was not working. **This was major – YOU helped do this!**



Volunteers are needed on Friday, November 13th, at 2:30 p.m. to help set up the tables and sale items in the Dorothy L. Rainey Fellowship Hall. If you can help with the set up, or have items you would like to donate to the sale, please contact Beth Intondi by e-mail at **Beth.intondi@outlook.com**. You have been so faithful in prayer for this "pocket of poverty" in the North for many years. Thank you for your support.

OVER

Youth Ministry Sunday Night Gatherings for November

Students in the 6th through 12th grades are invited to join us on Sunday nights for ***Sunday Night Gatherings*** from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. in the Youth Center ("The Fish Tank"), located on the 1st floor of the Sheldon Family Life Center. ***Sunday Night Gatherings*** include great dinners, fun games, amazing worship, inspirational and relevant messages and life-changing small groups.



The *Sunday Night Gathering* schedule for November is:

- **Sunday, November 8th:** No Sunday Night Gathering (returning from the Youth Fall Retreat);
- **Sunday, November 15th: *Friendsgiving*** at 5:30 p.m. in the Youth Center ("The Fish Tank");
- **Sunday, November 22nd: *Sunday Night Gathering*** at 5:30 p.m. in the Youth Center ("The Fish Tank");
- **Sunday, November 29th: *Sunday Night Gathering*** at 5:30 p.m. in the Youth Center ("The Fish Tank");

Please visit the **Youth Ministry's** website at **https://dfumcstudents.org** for more information. If you have any questions, please contact Rev. Min Lee, Director of Youth Ministries, by e-mail at **mlee@duluthumc.org**.

Blood Drive at Duluth First UMC on Wednesday, November 11th:
Give Thanks—Give Blood—Give Life

An American Red Cross Blood Drive will be held at Duluth First UMC on Wednesday, November 11th, from 3 to 7 p.m. in the Dorothy L. Rainey Fellowship Hall. To schedule an appointment to make a blood donation:

- Visit **www.redcrossblood.org** and enter the sponsor code **dufumc**;
- Call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767);
- Contact Tracy Brinker by e-mail at **tbrinker@duluthumc.org**, or call 770-476-3776, ext. 112.
- Last, but not least, be a "walk-in" on BloodDrive Day.

Free A1C testing, a test commonly used to screen for diabetes and pre-diabetes, will be offered to those who donate blood. Each donor will receive a $10 gift card and 200 bonus points with a successful donation. Please eat a good meal and drink plenty of fluids prior to your donation.

Wednesday Night Dinner in Hinton Hall: November 11th

Join us for a time of food and fellowship around the table with family and friends at our Wednesday Night Dinners from 5:00 to 6:30 p.m. in Hinton Hall, located on the 2nd floor of the Sheldon Family Life Center. Chef Kenny Lewis, our Food Ministry Manager, along with our very talented and dedicated Dinner Belles and Beaus volunteers, prepare excellent meals at very reasonable prices.



The menu for November 11th is Salisbury steak with gravy, buttered egg noodles, buttered peas, glazed carrots, rolls, and dessert. For the kids – hamburgers and French fries. Dinners are served from 5:00 to 6:30 p.m. in Hinton Hall, with to-go boxes available from 6:00 to 6:30 p.m.

The prices for Wednesday Night Dinners are: $10.00 for adults (including seniors and from 11 years up); $7.00 for children 10 years and younger; $30.00 for family meals (nuclear family members and their children under 18 years); $7.00 for salad bar only, which includes the salad bar, a choice of baked potato or sweet potato, dessert and a drink.

Credit/debit card payments, as well as cash and checks, are accepted. Please note - menus are subject to change. Please visit the church's website - **duluthumc.org** - to view upcoming menus.

Wednesday Night Food Drive: November 11th

The **Wednesday Night Food Drive** at Duluth First UMC for the **Hands of Christ Duluth Co-op** is our weekly mission project, combined with the many Wednesday evening activities offered at the church. **On Wednesday, November 11th, we ask you to bring canned fruit.** Please leave your donated food items on the **Food Drive** table located outside of the main entrance to Hinton Hall.



Join us for a delicious dinner and fellowship in Hinton Hall, pick up a to-go dinner for your family, join us for any of our Wednesday evening activities, and drop off food items to help other families in need. We thank you for your support!

Library Book Club to Discuss "The Five Wishes of Mr. Murray McBride": Monday, November 16th

The Duluth First UMC **Library Book Club** will meet on Monday, November 16th, discuss **The Five Wishes of Mr. Murray McBride**, a novel by Joe Siple. The **Library Book Club** will meet at 10 a.m. in room F145, located on the 1st floor of the Sheldon Family Life Center.

The international bestselling novel is about Murray McBride, a lonely 100-year-old man who's outlived just about everyone he's ever loved. With all his family and friends gone except an estranged grandson, retired Major League ballplayer Murray is looking for a reason to live. But when he meets a boy awaiting a heart transplant, Murray may learn something about finding meaning in life again.

He finds it in Jason Cashman, a spirited 10-year-old boy with a terminal heart defect and a list of five things he wants to do before he dies. Murray is determined to help Jason fulfill his dreams. Together, they race against the limited time each has left, ticking off Jason's wishes one by one. Along the way, Murray remembers what it's like to be young, and Jason fights for the opportunity to grow old. But when tragedy strikes, their worlds are turned upside-down, and an unexpected gift is the only thing that can make Jason's final wish come true.

"Surviving the Holidays" – A Grief Share Program: Wednesday, November 18th

Holiday celebrations take on a different meaning when you are grieving. Are you in need of finding a way to survive the holidays? Do you wonder how to celebrate when your loved one is gone?

Join the **Grief Share Support Group** on Wednesday, November 18th, for a special **"Surviving the Holidays"** class from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. in rooms F154/155, located on the 1st floor of the Sheldon Family Life Center. This class may be beneficial in helping you plan a holiday schedule that is best for you during the holiday season.

For additional information, please contact Brenda Bridges at 770-313-6002, Sue French at 404-434-8001, or call the church office at 770-476-3776.

Decorating the Church for Advent and Christmas: Sunday, November 22nd

The **Worship Committee** invites you to join with us on Sunday, November 22nd, following the 11:00 a.m. worship services as we come together to prepare the church's Advent and Christmas decorations and decorate for the holiday season.

Help "Deck" Our Church Lawn with Stars: Sunday, November 22nd

Help us "deck" the church lawn with the beautifully-painted stars on Sunday, November 22nd, following the 11:00 worship services. Each year we put our stars on the lawn for the season of Advent to celebrate the coming of the Christ child. Having our beautiful, handmade, individually painted stars on the lawn helps us share that joy with our Duluth neighbors!

If you've ever wanted to have your very own star out on the lawn, please contact Rev. Dr. AnnaKate Rawles by e-mail at **arawles@duluthumc.org**. We have stars available to paint and return to be displayed.

Hope for the Holidays – A Candle Lighting Service of Remembrance: Monday, November 23rd

Make plans to join us for **Hope for the Holidays - A Candle Lighting Service of Remembrance**, on Monday, November 23rd, with services at noon and 7 p.m. in the Sanctuary. Join us for a program of reflection followed by candle lighting in memory of your loved one(s). The 7:00 p.m. service will be streamed live on the **Duluth First UMC Worship** page on **YouTube.com**. Childcare in ***Childcare Corner*** will be available for both services.



We are asking people to send in names of loved ones that they would like to be read aloud during candle lighting. Please send the name(s) by e-mail to Tracy Brinker at **tbrinker@duluthumc.org** by **Friday, November 20th**. Please put **"Service of Remembrance Names"** in the subject line of your e-mail.

We understand the holiday season may be a challenge for individuals and families who have lost someone special. Duluth First UMC has established a meaningful time for people to come together... to reflect, to remember and to honor those lives that have meant so much.

OVER

Collecting Toys for the Hands of Christ Duluth Co-op's Christmas Shop

Would you like to help make a difference in a child's life this Christmas? Duluth First UMC is partnering with **Hands of Christ Duluth Co-op** in a toy drive to stock the **Hands of Christ Christmas Shop**. **The Christmas Shop** helps families in need to provide gifts for their children this Christmas. If you would like to help us provide Christmas for all of these children in our community, your generosity can make sure that happens.

Beginning Sunday, November 1st, you can bring in unwrapped toys and place them in collection areas in the Veterans Memorial Gathering Room and Hinton Hall. We will be accepting toy donations from November 1st – 29th. We hope that you will prayerfully consider helping to make Christmas a joyous day for all the families that **Hands of Christ** assists every day and every year. Thank for your generosity and your faithfulness.

Sweets with Santa: Saturday, December 5th

Mark you calendars, save the date, and invite your family and friends to **Sweets with Santa** on Saturday, December 5th, from 9:00 to 11:00 a.m. in the Dorothy L. Rainey Fellowship Hall. Come enjoy breakfast pastries, Christmas crafts, and a chance to meet Santa! Bring your friends, family, neighbors, and children of all ages!

The cost is $5 for adults and children ages 3 and up, and children ages 2 and under are free. To sign up, please contact Rev. Dr. AnnaKate Rawles by e-mail at **arwales@duluthumc.org**.

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GROW ONE STEP each year until you're giving 10% to God

1. Find where you are on the chart (your income and your giving).
2. Move one block to the right to determine what GROW ONE % would be for you,
   in order to grow one step each year until you are tithing.

Yearly Giving

Yearly Household	Lower Giving Range			Middle Giving Range			Upper Giving Range			Tithe
Income	1%	2%	3%	4%	5%	6%	7%	8%	9%	10%
$15,000	150.00	300.00	450.00	600.00	750.00	900.00	1,050.00	1,200.00	1,350.00	1,500.00
$20,000	200.00	400.00	600.00	800.00	1,000.00	1,200.00	1,400.00	1,600.00	1,800.00	2,000.00
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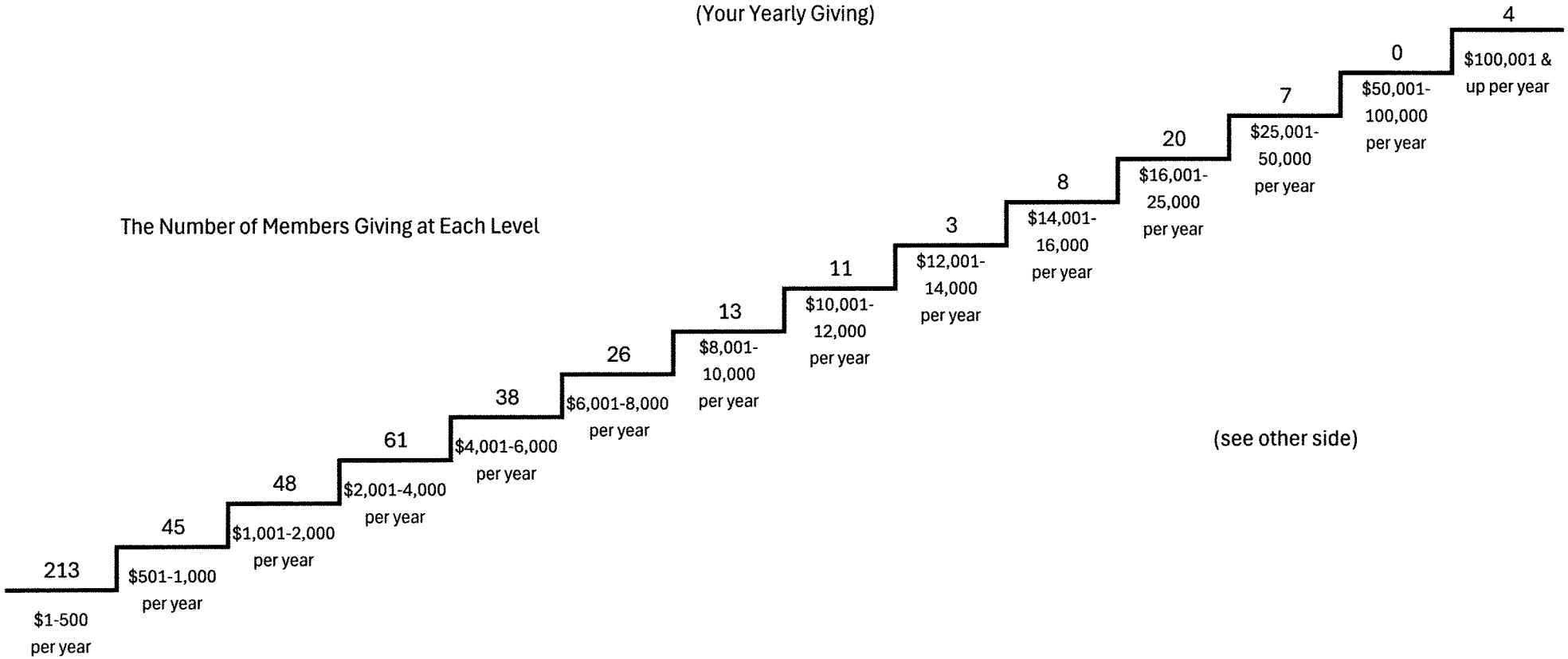
GROW ONE STEP each year until you're giving 10% to God

Fall 2026

Our Congregation's Giving Patterns
(includes ALL giving to the church)

Find where you are on this chart
(Your Yearly Giving)

The Number of Members Giving at Each Level



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