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**A Stewardship Litany**

Presider: Let us pray for the wisdom and courage to make stewardship a way of life with God. (pause)

Presider Because of our faith in You, O Lord…

All: …we acknowledge You as the source of all that we have and all that we are.

(pause)

Presider: Help us to place You, our loving Creator, first in our lives…

All: by becoming more prayerful and more focused on loving and caring for our families and our neighbors in need, and by becoming less preoccupied with material things.

(pause)

Presider: Help us, Lord to find the true source of happiness and fulfillment that we all seek…

All: …and that You, alone, can provide.

(pause)

Presider: Help us to hear Your call to be good stewards of all Your gifts…

All: …by sharing them for Your purposes.

(pause)

Presider: Help us make Your priorities …

All: …our priorities.

(pause)

Presider: Help us challenge each other, as disciples of Jesus Christ…

All: …to put our faith into action.

(pause)

Presider: Let us pray that as good stewards we will plan our sharing.

(pause)

Presider: As we plan the things in our lives that are most important to us…

All: …Lord, help us plan our sharing of time with those in need.

(pause)

Presider: Help us plan …

All: …how to “give back” the talents with which we have been blessed.

(pause)

Presider: Help us plan…

All: …how to share our treasure to do Your work.

(pause)

Presider: Our planning and sharing…

All: …demonstrates the great importance that You and the truth of the Gospel has in our lives.

(pause)

Presider: Help us plan…

All: … to serve our church, our community, and our world with Your Gifts.

(pause)

Presider: Let us pray that we will share in proportion to what has been given us.

(pause)

Presider: Help us, Lord…

All: …return a portion of all You have given us.

(pause)

Presider: We do this, O Lord, as a sign of our love..

All: …and in thanksgiving for the many blessings we have received.

(pause)

Presider: We offer not only the “first fruits” of our financial resources…

All: …but a generous portion of our time and talents, as well.

(pause)

Presider: Giving proportionately means it is equal for all of us

All: …according to what You have given us, You ask the same of each of us.

(pause)

Presider: As we give proportionately…

All: …help us to put our trust, security and faith in You.

(pause)

Presider: As good Christian Stewards,

All: …we pray we have a joyful spirit of mind and heart. **AMEN**