WE PRESS ON TOWARD THE GOAL FOR THE PRIZE OF THE UPWARD CALL OF GOD IN JESUS CHRIST.

Philippians 3:14



October 2024

Dear Chapel in the Pines,

The Apostle Paul begins his letter to the Philippians "to all God's holy people." I address you with the same loving greeting. This book of the Bible is known for its joy, including Paul's exhortation, "Rejoice in the Lord; again, I will say, rejoice!"

I hope you will join Ginny and me in pledging to support our fall 2024 stewardship campaign.

Our stewardship theme is **Forward in Faith**, which springs from Paul's hope that he is "straining forward to what lies ahead" before he adds, "I press on toward the goal, toward the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus." (Phil 3:14)

While Paul wrote of one person, we are all God's holy people. We give of our time, talent, and treasure. We pledge money and volunteer. We are Chapel in the Pines!

Our stewardship goal is \$500,000 for the 2025 operating budget. Together, we will meet it!

Our Time and Talents sheet enumerates numerous volunteer requirements. *Together*, we will meet them!

I note that Paul ends his letter by thanking the Philippians for their gifts and offerings, promising that "God will fully satisfy every need of yours according to the riches of glory in Christ Jesus." It is with that faith that we move forward together.

I end as Paul concludes his letter: "The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit."

With faith, hope, and love,

Andrew

P.S.: Dedication Sunday, November 10, is the culmination of campaign activities. Please return your pledge card either before the 10th or place it in a stewardship basket on that special day.