# Stewardship Seconds: August‒December 2021

*Places to use these: in your worship bulletin, in your PowerPoint for worship, in your newsletter, on your website, on your Facebook page, to open a board/council meeting, and as many other places as you can think of to help nurture generous disciples of Jesus.*

## August 1, Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

Share your gifts this day, and offer praise to the Giver of the gifts.

## August 8, Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

Consider how you share your time and talents. How can you use them to support God’s mission?

## August 15, Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

This day is a lavish gift God has given us. How will you respond in gratitude?

## August 22, Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

“You often say, ‘I would give, but only to the deserving.’ The trees in your orchard say not so, nor the flocks in your pasture. They give that they may live, for to withhold is to perish.”
—Kahlil Gibran

## August 29, Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

The way you live your life is a sign of how you steward the gospel!

## September 5, Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Offering hospitality to the stranger encourages us to see everyone as God’s chosen.

## September 12, Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Generosity is the expression of an inner attitude of gratitude and compassion. So, share what you have and become the person God calls you to be.

## September 19, Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

Each time we welcome and share with any of God’s children, we welcome Christ in our midst.

## September 26, Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Jesus came that we may have life and have it in abundance. He calls us to share that abundance with all.

## October 3, Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Blessed be the Lord who made heaven and earth. We can praise God through our generosity!

## October 10, Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

Generosity does not ask "What have you done for me lately?" Generosity is giving without counting the cost.

## October 17, Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost

The place God calls you is the place where your deep gladness and the world’s hunger meet.
―Frederick Buechner

## October 24, Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost

Are your stories of faith about scarcity and fear, or abundance and gladness?

## October 31, Twenty-Third Sunday after Pentecost

Telling inspiring stories of how we are doing our mission helps shape a culture of generosity.

## November 7, Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

Even in perceived scarcity, trusting God’s abundance helps generate a culture of generosity.

## November 14, Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

Gratitude is a muscle. It is a choice. It is a daily practice. A strong gratitude muscle will make you (and your church) more creative, more resilient, more Christ-like.

## November 21, Reign of Christ

God is the beginning and the end of all that we have, are, and do. Knowing that, how do you respond?

## November 28, First Sunday in Advent

Like everything else we have, hope is a gift from God. What do you have to share that will bring hope to someone else?

## December 5, Second Sunday in Advent

Let there be peace on earth, and let it begin with me. How do the gifts I generously give help to bring peace on earth?

## December 12, Third Sunday in Advent

Look for a way to share God's love with those who are struggling to feel joy in this season.

## December 19, Fourth Sunday in Advent

Blessings have many faces; so do the needs of those around us. Let us rejoice in what we have been given and look for others with whom we can share it.

## Christmas Day

Today we celebrate that God gave God-self to the world, born to us this day, in Jesus. When we give generously, we also share ourselves.

## December 26, First Sunday after Christmas

How did the gifts you received this Christmas make a difference in your life? What about the gifts you gave?