Lakeview United Methodist Church

A Week of *Faith*

What Will You Make Possible?

Matthew 25:14-30

November 17-21

Five days. One message.
A faith that goes with you.

TUESDAY–SATURDAY DEVOTIONALS

Christ's Community in Action with Love for All
A Stephen Ministry Congregation

Welcome to This Week's Devotionals

Life gets busy, but there's always room for a moment with God. Our Tuesday–Saturday devotionals connect Scripture with everyday life through reflection, a question to consider, a practical step, and a closing prayer.

Read one each day, share it with someone you care about, and carry Sunday's message into the week ahead.

Your next step in faith begins here.

THIS WEEK'S THEME

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TUESDAY

November 17

What Is In Your Hands?

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE

Matthew 25:14–30

DEVOTIONAL

Jesus' parable of the talents reminds us that everyone receives different resources, opportunities and responsibilities. The question isn't whether our lives look like someone else's. The question is what we do with what has been placed in our hands.

Stewardship begins there.

We don't need someone else's abilities, circumstances or resources to live faithfully. We can begin with what we already have.

REFLECT & CONSIDER

What has been entrusted to you that you sometimes overlook?

PUT FAITH INTO ACTION

Make a short list of three things you've been given—perhaps a skill, relationship, opportunity, resource or ability. Consider one way you can use one of them for good this week.

A CLOSING PRAYER

Generous God, help me recognize what has been placed in my hands. Give me wisdom to use it faithfully and courage to put it to work for good. Amen.

WEDNESDAY

November 18

Saving Without Holding Too Tightly

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE

Proverbs 13:11

DEVOTIONAL

Saving, planning and preparing are wise practices. But there can be a point when protecting what we have becomes more important than using it.

Stewardship asks us to find a healthy balance: caring responsibly for what we have while remaining open to the good those resources can do.

The goal isn't simply to accumulate. It is to use what we have wisely.

REFLECT & CONSIDER

Is there something you have been holding onto that could do more good if shared?

PUT FAITH INTO ACTION

Look around your home, finances or schedule today. Identify one resource that could be shared, donated, repurposed or put to better use.

A CLOSING PRAYER

God of wisdom, help me save thoughtfully without becoming afraid to share. Teach me to recognize the difference between responsible care and holding on too tightly. Amen.

THURSDAY

November 19

The Legacy We Receive

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE

Psalm 145:4

DEVOTIONAL

Our legacy doesn't begin with us.

Each of us has been shaped by people who came before us—people who offered encouragement, kindness, wisdom, faith, friendship or simply a place to belong.

Those gifts remain long after the person who offered them is gone.

We are recipients of someone else's legacy, and eventually we become part of someone else's story.

REFLECT & CONSIDER

Who helped shape the person you are today?

PUT FAITH INTO ACTION

Reach out to someone who has made a difference in your life. Tell that person what their influence has meant to you—or, if they are no longer living, spend a few moments giving thanks for their life.

A CLOSING PRAYER

Thank you, God, for the people whose lives have shaped mine. Help me recognize their gifts and carry that legacy of love, kindness and faith forward. Amen.

FRIDAY

November 20

What Do You Want to Make Possible?

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE

2 Corinthians 9:7

DEVOTIONAL

Generosity isn't simply about giving something away. It is about participating in what that gift makes possible.

A meal.
A ministry.
A place to belong.
A helping hand.
A word of encouragement.
A community of faith.

Our resources can become instruments of God's love when we use them with purpose.

REFLECT & CONSIDER

What would you like your generosity to make possible?

PUT FAITH INTO ACTION

Choose one place where your resources—money, time, skills or encouragement—could make a meaningful difference. Take one concrete step today.

A CLOSING PRAYER

Generous God, show me where my resources can become a blessing. Help me give with purpose, joy and wisdom. May what I have been given become a way of making good things possible. Amen.

SATURDAY

November 21

The Life We Leave Behind

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE

Matthew 6:19–21

DEVOTIONAL

We cannot take our possessions with us.

But that doesn't mean our lives have no lasting impact.

The kindness we show. The people we encourage. The faith we share. The communities we strengthen. The generosity we practice. The opportunities we help create.

These things can continue long after a particular gift or possession is gone.

The question isn't simply, What will I leave behind?

It's also: ***What will I make possible while I am here?***

REFLECT & CONSIDER

If you could choose one thing for your life to make possible for others, what would it be?

PUT FAITH INTO ACTION

Write one sentence describing the kind of legacy you want your life to reflect. Keep it somewhere you'll see it regularly.

A CLOSING PRAYER

Generous God, thank you for every gift entrusted to me. Guide my choices so that my time, talents, resources and relationships reflect love. Help me make possible a legacy of generosity, encouragement and care. Amen.

Keep the Journey Going

A few quiet minutes with Scripture can change how we approach the day ahead. We hope this week's devotionals have encouraged you, challenged you, and reminded you of God's presence in your life.

CONTINUE THE JOURNEY

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