

Following Jesus' teachings, Grace seeks to educate, lead, and partner with all people through discipleship to worship, service, and faith celebration.

All Saints Sunday

November 3, 2024 8:30am

Grace Lutheran Church, Davenport, Iowa
Pastor Stephanie Wood † Pastor Kirsten Lee

Welcome! We are so happy you have joined us!

Congregational response in bold.

Prelude

For All the Saints arranged by Cindy Berry

Announcements

Call to Worship

Heart & Voice Choir *Restore Us Lord, Almighty God of Hosts*

Gathering

In worship, our songs of praise, and the time we dwell in the word.

We hear God's story.

A story of unending love and grace.

Open our ears, open our minds, open our hearts to listen.

In the stories we share, the ways you are active in our lives.

We give witness to God's presence in our story.

God's story is

Our story.

May we share it without reservation.

May we live it with all our being.

Confession & Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, our refuge, our delight, our beginning and our end. **Amen.** Let us come in truth before the one who loves us and has freed us from our sin.

(Silence is kept for reflection.)

Eternal One, robed in majesty and mercy,
we confess that sin has taken hold of us and we are complicit in its power. We are disturbed in spirit and our hearts cannot rest. Unbind us and set us free. Lead us again to the waters of rebirth, that we may live just and generous lives for the good of your world and the care of our neighbors, following in the servant way of Jesus. Amen.

These words are trustworthy and true: Christ bore our sins once, for all, on the cross, swallowing up death forever. For his sake, you are † forgiven and God remembers your sin no more. Let your heart be glad again and rejoice in your salvation. **Amen.**

Opening Hymn

For All the Saints (verses 1-3)..... ELW 422

- 1 For all the saints who from their labors rest,
who thee by faith before the world confessed,
thy name, O Jesus, be forever blest.
Alleluia! Alleluia!

- 2 Thou wast their rock, their fortress, and their might;
thou, Lord, their captain in the well-fought fight;
thou, in the darkness drear, their one true light.
Alleluia! Alleluia!

- 3 Oh, blest communion, fellowship divine,
we feebly struggle, they in glory shine;
yet all are one in thee, for all are thine.
Alleluia! Alleluia!


Greeting

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

Kyrie

Kyrie Eleison, On Our World and On Our Way ELW p. 184


Refrain



Ky-ri - e e - lei - son, on our world and on our way.




Ky-ri - e e - lei - son, ev-'ry day.



1 For peace in the world, for the health of the church, for the
2 That we may live out your im - passioned re - sponse to the
3 For peace in our hearts, . . . for peace in our homes, . . for
4 For your Spir - it to guide; that you cen - ter our lives in the



u - ni - ty of all; for
hun - gry and the poor; that
friends and fam - i - ly; for
wa - ter and the word; that you



this ho - ly house, for all who wor-ship and praise,
we may live out truth and jus - tice and grace,
life and for love, for our work and our play,
nour-ish our souls . . . with your bod - y and blood,



let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.

Refrain

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray. Almighty God, **you have knit your people together in one communion in the mystical body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Grant us grace to follow your blessed saints in lives of faith and commitment, and to know the inexpressible joys you have prepared for those who love you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

Heart & Voice Choir Anthem

I Sing a Song of the Saints of God..... John H. Hopkins, Jr., Setting by Hal H. Hopson Hopson

*I sing a song of the saints of God, patient and brave and true,
Who toiled and fought and lived and died for the Lord they loved and knew.
and one was a doctor, and one was a queen, and one was a shepherdess on the green;
They were all of them saints of God, and I mean, God help me to be one too.*

*They loved their Lord so dear, so dear, and his love has made them strong;
And they followed the right, for Jesus' sake, the whole of their good lives long.
And one was a soldier, and one was a priest, and one was slain by a fierce wild beast;
And there's not any reason, no, not the least why I shouldn't be one too.*

*They lived not only in ages past; there are hundreds of thousands still.
The world is brighter with the joyous saints who love to do Jesus' will.
You can meet them at school, or in lanes, or at sea, in church or in trains or in shops, or at tea,
For the saints of God are just folk like me, and I mean to be one too.*

Children's Message

First Reading | Revelation 21:1-6^a

Here is a vision of the new heaven and new earth in which God resides fully with God's people so that mourning, despair, and pain have been eradicated. These renewing words from the God who spans all of time are trustworthy and true.

I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, the new

Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "See, the home of God is among mortals. He will dwell with them; they will be his peoples, and God himself will be with them and be their God; he will wipe every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away."

And the one who was seated on the throne said, "See, I am making all things new." Also, he said, "Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true." Then he said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End."

Word of God, Word of life.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 24

The earth is the Lord's and all that is in it, the world and those who dwell therein.
For the Lord has founded it upon the seas and established it upon the rivers.

Who may ascend the mountain of the Lord, and who may stand in God's holy place?
Those of innocent hands and purity of heart, who do not swear on God's being, nor do they pledge by what is false.

They shall receive blessing from the Lord and righteousness from the God of their salvation.

Such is the generation of those who seek you, O Lord, of those who seek your face, O God of Jacob.

Lift up your heads, O gates; and be lifted up, O everlasting doors, that the King of glory may come in.

Who is this King of glory? The Lord, strong and mighty, the Lord, mighty in battle!

Lift up your heads, O gates; and be lifted up, O everlasting doors, that the King of glory may come in.

Who is this King of glory? Truly, the Lord of hosts is the King of glory.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia. Lord, to Whom Shall We Go?..... ELW p. 188

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Gospel Reading | John 11:32-44

The Holy Gospel according to John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Through the raising of Lazarus, Jesus offers the world a vision of the life to come, when death and weeping will be no more.

When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died." When Jesus saw her weeping and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. He said, "Where have you laid him?" They said to him, "Lord, come and see." Jesus began to weep. So, the Jews said, "See how he loved him!" But some of them said, "Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?"

Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, "Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four days." Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believed you would see the glory of God?" So, they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, "Father, I thank you for having heard me. I knew that

you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me." When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, "Unbind him, and let him go."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

Hymn of the Day

Shall We Gather at the River..... ELW 423

1 Shall we gather at the river,
where bright angel feet have trod,
with its crystal tide forever
flowing by the throne of God?

Refrain

Yes, we'll gather at the river,
the beautiful, the beautiful river;
gather with the saints at the river
that flows by the throne of God.

2 On the margin of the river,
washing up its silver spray,
we will walk and worship ever,
all the happy golden day. *Refrain*

3 Ere we reach the shining river,
lay we ev'ry burden down;
grace our spirits will deliver,
and provide a robe and crown. *Refrain*

4 Soon we'll reach the shining river,
soon our pilgrimage will cease;

soon our happy hearts will quiver
with the melody of peace. *Refrain*

Text: Robert Lowry, 1826-1899

Remembrance of All Saints

Jesus is the Light of the world. **The light no darkness can overcome.**

God comforts us in all our sorrows.

So that we can comfort others with the consolation we have received from God.

We remember with joy and sadness those who have died.

We light these candles in loving memory of those who have gone before us to show us the way.

We trust that in the mercy of Jesus Christ they have been received into God's everlasting peace.

And into the glorious company of the saints in light.

Jesus is the light of the world. **The light no darkness can overcome.**

Prayer for All Saints & Ringing of the Bells

Jesus says, take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart,

and you will find rest for your souls.

For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.

And you will find rest for your souls. Amen.

Apostles' Creed

Let us proclaim our faith in the words of the Apostles' Creed.

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand

of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayers of the People

Rooted in God's abundant love for the world, let us pray for our neighbors, the church, and all of creation. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

We offer our prayers to you, gracious God, trusting in your boundless love for all that you have made, through Jesus Christ our Savior. **Amen.**

Peace

The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

Call to Offering

When we give from our abundance, we express our gratitude to God our Provider, we assert our trust in God our Sustainer, and we affirm our commitments to God our Creator. Let us give from love in action and energy, in spirit and truth, in hope and expectation.

Stewardship Message: God's Story, Our Story

Offering Hymn

As the Grains of Wheat Text and Music by Marty Haugen

Refrain

As the grains of wheat once scattered on the hill
were gathered into one to become our bread;
so may all your people from all the ends of earth
be gathered into one in you.

- 1 As this cup of blessing is shared within our midst,
may we share the presence of your love. Refrain
- 2 Let this be a foretaste of all that is to come
when all creation shares this feast with you. Refrain

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Offertory Prayer

Let us pray. Lord Jesus, our portion and our cup,
you offered yourself in love for the world, and in this meal you nourish us with your life. Fill us with your abundance, that we may feed the hungry and welcome the stranger, trusting in your name. Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give God thanks and praise.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me. Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive

us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

Communion Hymn

Let Us Break Bread Together (verses 1-2)..... ELW 471

- 1 Let us break bread together on our knees;
let us break bread together on our knees.

Refrain

When I fall on my knees, with my face to the rising sun,
O Lord, have mercy on me.

- 2 Let us drink wine together on our knees;
let us drink wine together on our knees. *Refrain*

Text: African American spiritual

Communion Music

Peace..... by Grant Horsley
Janice Gibbs Bassoon

Prayer After Communion

Let us pray. Faithful God, you have spread before us a feast of rich food and drink in the body and blood of your Son. Now send us out to labor with you, in service to the world you have made, and among the people you have made your home, in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

Blessing

May the God of all creation, in whose image we are made, who claims us and calls us beloved, who strengthens us for service, give you reason to rejoice and be glad! The blessing of God, Sovereign, † Savior, and Spirit, be with you today and always. **Amen.**

Closing Hymn

For All the Saints (verses 1, 6-7)..... ELW 422

- 1 For all the saints who from their labors rest,
who thee by faith before the world confessed,
thy name, O Jesus, be forever blest. Alleluia! Alleluia!

- 6 But then there breaks a yet more glorious day:
the saints triumphant rise in bright array;
the King of glory passes on his way. Alleluia! Alleluia!

- 7 From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast,
through gates of pearl streams in the countless host,
singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost: Alleluia! Alleluia!

Text: William W. How, 1823-1897

Sending

Go in peace. Encourage one another in Christ.

Thanks be to God!

Postlude

With the Saints in Glory Shining Edward Broughton

Interested in Joining Grace?

Please contact the church office office@gracewelcomesyou.org, for information about joining Grace Lutheran Church. All are welcome and we would be overjoyed to have you engaged in the worship, ministries, and congregational life at Grace.

Sparkhouse Magazines

Children's Sparkhouse Magazines are available in the Narthex. We encourage children and families to take home a copy and enjoy the pictures and stories about ways we live as children of God.

Do You Receive the Weekly Update Email?

Every Thursday we email out the Weekly Update with current announcements, links, birthdays, anniversaries, Synod/ELCA updates, and more. If you would like to be added to our email list, please contact Annie in the church office.

Junior Bible Study | Today: Heart Strings

Each week we will hear familiar Bible stories and enjoy the beautiful illustrations from THE STORY for Kids and Little Ones. The Story offers us a fresh perspective and an opportunity to engage Bible stories in a new way. *We meet after the children's message at both Sunday services.*

Serving in Worship

Director of Outreach & Youth Minister	Pastor Kirsten Lee
Assisting Minister	Jane Rock
Communion Assistants	Jane Rock, Debbie Alejo, Nancy Boehme, Hollie Swain
Communion Bread	Carol Keller
Acolyte	Debbie Alejo
Crucifer	Dennis Boehme
Greeters	Ruthann & Jim Neumann
Ushers	Adolfo Alejo, Dean Rock
Sound System	Mike Savely
Jr Bible Study	Jane Krumwiede, Pastor Kirsten
Prayers	Paul Lewellan
Altar Guild	Karen Jewel
Heart & Voice Choir Director	Sally Meier
Organist	Susan Senn
Pianist	Kathi Parrish
Worship Tech & Praise Band Leader	Vey Rodriguez
Coffee/Cookies/Snacks	Kathy Higgins, Jackie Cain

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WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday, November 3

All Saints Sunday

Food Pantry Collection

- 8:30am Traditional Worship & Livestream
- 9:45am Coffee Hour
- 10:30am Contemporary Worship

Monday, November 4

- 10:30am Staff Meeting
- 4:30pm Centering Prayer

Tuesday, November 5

Polling Location 6am-9pm - FH

- 10:00am Pastor's Text Study
- 1:30pm Personnel Committee
- 5:00pm Property Committee
- 7:00pm Worship & Music Committee

Wednesday, November 6

- 11:00am THE STORY - PBH
- 12:00pm Men's Lunch @ Grace
- 5:30pm Grief Support Group - PBH
- 7:00pm Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, November 7

Pray & Play 8:30am-4pm

- 7:00pm Praise Band Rehearsal
- 7:00pm THE STORY Bible Study

Friday, November 8

Saturday, November 9

Sunday, November 10

God's Story, Our Story Sunday

- 8:30am Traditional Worship & Livestream
- 9:45am Coffee Hour
- 10:30am Traditional Worship

Monday, November 11

Pr. Stephanie Continuing Ed

- 10:30am Staff Meeting
- 4:30pm Centering Prayer on Zoom

Tuesday, November 12

Pr. Stephanie Continuing Ed

- 9:00am Quilters
- 10:00am Pastor's Text Study - PBH
- 1:30pm Social Ministry Committee
- 2:30pm Outreach & Welcome Mtg
- 6:00pm CYF Meeting (tentative)

Wednesday, November 13

Pr. Stephanie Continuing Ed

- 9:00am Quilters
- 12:00pm Men's Lunch @ Grace
- 7:00pm Choir Rehearsal

You Can Watch Us Online and Follow us on Facebook!

YouTube: [Grace Lutheran Davenport](https://www.youtube.com/GraceLutheranDavenport) **Facebook:** [facebook.com/GraceWelcomesYou](https://www.facebook.com/GraceWelcomesYou)

Your offerings support and nurture ministries at Grace along with support for local and global organizations. Online giving is available at bit.ly/GraceGivingOnline.

Looking Ahead

- **November 7** Pray & Play
- **November 10** "God's Story Our Story" Sunday
- **November 11-15** Pr. Stephanie Continuing Education
- **November 24** Service of Thanks & Praise at St. Mark
- **November 26-December 1** Pr. Stephanie Vacation
- **November 28-29** Thanksgiving Holiday, Office Closed
- **December 15** Christmas Program Joint Worship 9:30am
- **December 18** Blue Christmas (tentative)
- **December 22** Candles & Carols
- **December 24** Christmas Eve Worship 5pm & 7pm
- **December 25** Christmas Day, Office Closed
- **December 29** Christmas Hymn Sing Joint Worship 9:30am

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Weekly Update



Pray & Play Volunteers

Our last Fall Pray & Play day is this Thursday, November 7. If you'd like to help in any capacity (with the kids or behind the scenes), please talk to Pastor Kirsten.

Worship Volunteers Needed

Would you like to help with worship? We have a variety of duties that support worship here at Grace, some very easy, some with a bit more responsibility, all important to the worship experience - let the office know if you have any questions or if you'd like to be added to the list for any of the following positions:

- **Acolyte** - (8:30am) Light candles before service, extinguish candles after worship
- **Crucifer** - (8:30am) Carry in the Cross during the procession, carry out after worship
- **Ushers** - Hand out bulletins, count attendance, be available for anyone needing assistance during the service, excuse pews for communion (both services), pass offering plates (8:30 only)
- **Greeters** - Greet worshippers as they arrive (both services)
- **Assisting Ministers** - Asst the pastor with portions of the service. Your reading parts are sent to you ahead of time, and copies with your parts highlighted in yellow are available Sunday mornings. (both services)
- **Communion Asst** - serve wine or collect cups (both services)
- **Communion Bread** - make communion bread, recipe provided
- **Sound System** - Run the sound system and monitor it during worship (both services)
- **Make Coffee** - keep the coffee flowing on Sunday mornings between services
- **Bring Treats or Healthy Snacks** - supply our coffee hour snacks between services



Altar Guild Opportunities

A very important part of our worship experience relies on members to prepare communion, set the altar table, and manage worship supplies like candles and wine. Please consider signing up to help with altar guild in 2025 - you can serve for two weeks or one month at a time. A sign-up sheet is on a clipboard in the narthex. This is a wonderful way to support worship here at Grace and is a great "behind-the-scenes" job if you prefer not to be in the spotlight. Questions? Contact Mike Keller at 563-340-8990.

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THE STORY Bible Study

Mornings - Weekly on Wednesday, 11am in Pat Bell Hall

Evenings - Monthly on the first Thursday, 7pm

THE STORY Bible Study continues, and anyone who is interested is welcome to join us at anytime during the series. THE STORY helps people understand God's Word and engages with Bible reading like never before. Pr. Stephanie can answer any questions.

Men's Lunch | Noon Wednesdays

Men's "Lunch & Conversation" meets every Wednesday at Noon - and now that the weather has turned colder, we will meet at Grace. You can bring a lunch from home or pick something up from a local restaurant. Contact Dennis Boehme at 563-320-2661 or boehmed@aol.com to be added to the email list.

Grief Support Group | November 6

The Grief Support Group meets the first and third Wednesdays of the month 5:30pm in Pat Bell Hall. Please join us! Anyone is welcome at anytime, and please be assured our conversations are kept in confidence. Questions? Contact: Cindy Lee 563-370-5386.

Centering Prayer | Mondays 4:30pm

Mondays 4:30pm via Zoom In the Christian tradition, Contemplative Prayer is considered to be the pure gift of God. It is the opening of mind and heart--our whole being to God, the Ultimate Mystery, beyond thoughts, words, and emotions. Cheryl Kritsch facilitates the group which meets via Zoom every Monday (except holidays) at 4:30pm (link emailed in the Weekly Update). Please contact Cheryl with any questions at 563-343-0135.

WELCA at Grace



Here at Grace we have three women's circles open to anyone who is interested. Please consider which one works best for you and feel free to contact the person listed. They'll be happy to answer any questions!

Women
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Deborah Circle meets the third Monday of the month at 6:30pm in members' homes for Bible study from the Gather Magazine. Contact: Claire Johansen 563-271-1311 or claire.d.johansen@gmail.com.

Naomi Circle meets the third Tuesday each month, Sept thru May, 9:00am at church for Bible study. Contact Marilyn Schreiber 563-340-0350 or marilyn.schreiber@icloud.com.

Service Day Quilters meet the second Tuesday & second Wednesday 9am-Noon each month. The quilts made are donated to the community and LWR. In recent years we have made LWR school bags. Contact Gloria Lange langej1@msn.com or 563-271-1542 or Kathy Miller 563-676-0914 or kathyk1679@aol.com.

Listen! God is Calling

Evenings of Gratitude with Bishop Current Join Bishop Amy Current for a light dinner and an evening of fellowship, conversation, and gratitude for the ministry we share. All events are 4:30-7:00pm, No RSVP is needed and all are welcome!

- **Nov 3** Peace Lutheran Church - Pella
- **Nov 10** Christ the King Lutheran Church - Iowa City
- **Nov 17** Trinity Lutheran Church - Pleasant Valley
- **Nov 24** Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd -DSM

GOD'S STORY OUR STORY

STEWARSHIP APPEAL 2025



Outreach and Innovation

"When did God create dinosaurs?" "Is God dead?" "Did God create illnesses?" These are big questions coming from young people at our children's ministry events.

Pray & Play and events like our Epiphany party have sparked curiosity about God within those who attend. Two out of three of the participants in our Vacation Bible School were not associated with Grace members. Some may be hearing God's story for the first time, experiencing God's love and presence through Grace's members and ministry.

Your support will enable us to continue to provide this ministry and explore new ways to deepen our relationship with those outside our walls. Together we will continue to develop our relationships with our neighborhood schools and local non-profits like Lutheran Services in Iowa. Together we can share God's story and discover God's activity among our neighbors. This happens as we continue to invest in our Outreach ministry and staff, including Pastor Kirsten, our Director of Outreach and Youth Ministry.

"This is so helpful! My 6-year-old doesn't need to stay home with his older brother and just play video games all day."

– Pray and Play Parent

The goal of the **God's Story, Our Story** Stewardship Appeal for 2025 is to increase our gifts and offerings by \$50,000 or \$961 a week. Pray for a generous response to this 2024 Stewardship Appeal. Consider increasing your giving as the Spirit leads you. Be ready to share your commitment on God's Story, Our Story Sunday, November 10. With your support we will expand our outreach in innovative ways that are essential for Grace's vitality in 2025 and beyond.



"You also, like living stones, are being built into a spiritual house." – 1 Peter 2:5

This graph displays two charts of our giving. The first shows how many gifts are currently being given at the indicated weekly amounts to our Building Fund and General Fund. The other shows how many gifts are needed in each level to reach our goal. As you look over the charts, prayerfully ask yourself the following:

- » How does my giving level compare with other ways I use my money?
- » How adequately does my giving reflect my gratitude to God for all the blessings I have received?
- » Where would I be if I doubled my offerings? And can I consider doing that?
- » How much more could I give if I really wanted to?

RANGE OF GIFTS GIVEN AND HOPED FOR

