

# **Stewardship Prayers**

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*Oh Lord, giver of life and source of our freedom,  
we are reminded by the Psalmist  
that Yours is "the earth and its fullness;  
the world and those who dwell in it."  
We know that it is from Your hand  
that we have received all we have  
and are and will be.*

*Gracious and loving God,  
we understand that You call us  
to be the stewards of Your abundance,  
the caretakers of all You have entrusted to us.  
Help us always to use Your gifts wisely  
and teach us to share them generously.  
May our faithful stewardship bear witness  
to the love of Christ in our lives.  
We pray with grateful hearts,  
in Jesus' name. Amen.*

*-“The Disciple as Steward”, 3*

## *A Steward's Prayer to the Holy Spirit*

*Holy Spirit, Fire of Love,  
Open our hearts and minds  
to the blessings  
of life, faith and resources:  
Come, Holy Spirit!*

*Guide us as we walk the ways of discipleship:  
Come, Holy Spirit!*

*Make us faithful stewards  
of all we are, have, and will be:  
Come, Holy Spirit!*

*Give us courage  
to serve boldly and with compassion:  
Come, Holy Spirit!*

*Strengthen our faith  
as we grow more deeply in relationship  
with Christ and one another:  
Come, Holy Spirit!*

*Enliven us in your presence:  
Come, Holy Spirit!*

*For you are God with the Father and the Son,  
now and forever.  
Come, Holy Spirit, Come! Amen.*

## Stewardship Church

*My church is composed of people like me.  
I help make it what it is.*

*It will be friendly, if I am.*

*It will be holy, if I am.*

*Its pews will be filled, if I help to fill them.*

*It will do great work, if I work.*

*It will be prayerful, if I pray.*

*It will make generous gifts to many causes, if I am a generous  
giver.*

*It will bring others into its worship, if I invite and bring them.*

*It will be a church of loyalty and love, of fearlessness and faith, of  
compassion, charity, and mercy, if I, who make it what it is, am  
filled with these same things.*

*Therefore, with the help of God, I now dedicate myself to the task  
of being all the things that I want my church to be.*

*-Adapted from the stewardship prayer of the Diocese of San Diego*

*Stewardship Prayer: Diocese of Green Bay*

*Generous and loving God,  
You call us to be disciples of your Son Jesus  
And good stewards of all your many gifts.*

*Open our mind and hearts  
to a greater awareness  
and deeper appreciation  
of your countless blessings.*

*Transform us through the power of your Spirit  
to nurture a Stewardship way of life  
marked by faith-filled prayer,  
service to our neighbor,  
and generous sharing.*

*Teach us to be faithful servants of your gifts.  
With Mary's help, may we return tenfold  
the gifts entrusted to us.*

*We pray through Christ, our Lord. Amen.*

*-“Embracing a Generous Life”, 23*

## *A Litany of Generosity*

*Dear Lord,  
We come before You today to ask You to help us be more generous.*

*We pray:  
Response: Gracious God, give us generous hearts.*

*Leader: So we may fully appreciate all Your many gifts to us...  
R: Gracious God, give us generous hearts.*

*Leader: So we may give without counting the cost...  
R: Gracious God, give us generous hearts.*

*Leader: So we may share without expecting something in return...  
R: Gracious God, give us generous hearts.*

*Leader: So we may know the joy that comes from helping others...  
R: Gracious God, give us generous hearts.*

*Leader: So we may share all that You have given us...  
R: Gracious God, give us generous hearts.*

*Leader: So we may hold all our treasures in an open hand...  
R: Gracious God, give us generous hearts.*

*Leader: So we may recognize the many blessings in each new day...  
R: Gracious God, give us generous hearts.*

*Leader: So we may learn the difference between what we need and what we want...*

*R: Gracious God, give us generous hearts*

*Leader: So we may ever thank You and serve You...*

*R: Gracious God, give us generous hearts.*

*Leader: Lord, we ask all of this, knowing that You will always give us all that we need. Please bless the work we do for You today and always.*

*ALL: Amen.*