

# THE GENEROSITY PROJECT

Growing in God's Grace Generation to Generation



Sponsored by the Mission Support & Stewardship Education Committee of the Central/Southern Illinois Synod

# Connecting Generations, Equipping Households, Cultivating the Faith Practice of Generosity Together

THE GENEROSITY PROJECT is a lively half-day, interactive, intergenerational workshop, modeling a congregation's potential to connect and equip all ages and generations as steward leaders in the congregation and in the home.

Equipping households to daily respond to God's extravagant generosity is a year-round opportunity. Equipping individuals of each generation, age, and stage to live as grateful stewards offers endless, creative possibilities!



Generosity is best learned together.

**Explore** stories of God's generosity.

**Discover** how generosity helps us grow in faith.

**Learn** how to create a culture of generosity in your home and congregation.

**Consider** how daily decisions to share, save and spend are shaped by our relationship with God.

**Celebrate** God's goodness and abundance!

Join us for one of the launch events of The Generosity Project in the Central/Southern Illinois Synod. Follow up in your own congregation using the six-session curriculum to equip and joyfully create generous disciples in households and the congregation.



The Generosity Project launch event will be held twice:

**Saturday, April 18**  
**10:00 AM – 2:00 PM**  
**St. John Lutheran Church**  
**Springfield, Illinois**

**Sunday, April 19**  
**2:00 PM – 5:30 PM**  
**First English Lutheran**  
**Peoria, Illinois**

### **Who should attend?**

- Children, ages 6 & up (childcare provided for those under 6)
- Youth and family ministry leaders
- Stewardship leaders
- Pre-teens
- Outreach leaders
- Confirmation classes
- Teens
- Adults
- Elders
- Anyone interested!

### **Registration Information**

- Congregations are encouraged to bring teams of three or more.
- Cost is \$15/person, or max \$25/congregation team (two or more); ages 5 and under are free. A light meal is included at each event.
- Teams representing three or more *generations* will receive a copy of the six-session The Generosity Project curriculum (available as a download from the ELCA for \$39 or in print for \$69).
- Registration will be available online at [www.csis-elca.org](http://www.csis-elca.org) beginning in March.
- Registration deadline is Monday, April 13.

Ms. Linda Staats, the ELCA Generosity Project Coordinator, will be with us to lead these two launch events.

Following these launch events, the Mission Support and Stewardship Committee of the Central/Southern Illinois Synod will be available to offer The Generosity Project introductory workshop at other places in our synod. Please contact Pastor Elise Rothfusz, Director for Evangelical Mission, [elise.rothfusz@csis-elca.org](mailto:elise.rothfusz@csis-elca.org) for more information about hosting The Generosity Project.

You can find out more about The Generosity Project at [www.elca.org/generosityproject](http://www.elca.org/generosityproject) or by joining the facebook group The Generosity Project ELCA.

Also consider:

### **Cross†Generational Ministry 101**

Ministry leaders, Sunday School teachers, and anyone involved with children, youth, and family ministry are invited to learn the why's and how-to's of facilitating faith forming events and worship for all ages – together! This special session will be led by Ms. Linda Staats who has decades of experience leading intergenerational groups. A light meal (optional) will be served at 5:30, with the session beginning at 6:00. Those traveling a distance and attending the Saturday event can contact Pastor Elise Rothfusz to request a grant to offset some of the cost of an overnight stay if needed. Please register at [www.csis-elca.org](http://www.csis-elca.org) by April 13.

**Friday, April 17**  
**6:00-8:00 PM**  
**St. John Lutheran Church**  
**Springfield, Illinois**