

# Stewardship Seconds: January‒June 2025

*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. If you have feedback or wish to share how you used this resource, please contact us at* *stewardship@united-church.ca**.*

## January 5: Second Sunday after Christmas

As a new year unfolds, what fullness have we experienced from God? Can we see, name, and know the grace God offers to our lives?

## January 12: Baptism of the Lord

How can we be joy, shining into joyless places and offering our gifts to the world?

## January 19: Second Sunday after Epiphany

We believe in a God who is creating, reconciling, and making new. As stewards and disciples, we use our resources to be co-creators with the Spirit, transforming and being transformed.

## January 26: Third Sunday after Epiphany

Proclaim the good news! Believe the good news! Let us be good stewards of God’s good news.

## February 2: Fourth Sunday after Epiphany

Giving becomes a spiritual practice when it is done with love. When we share ourselves not to boast or out of guilt, we are engaging in holy work.

## February 9: Fifth Sunday after Epiphany

Fishing for people and caring for our catch should be our greatest work. Honouring the time and energy invested by church members is an essential part of stewardship.

## February 16: Sixth Sunday after Epiphany

Jesus promises God’s blessing for those are hungry, weeping, and excluded, promising better days to come. Will you be the answer to someone else’s prayers? Can your generosity be God’s blessing for those who hurt?

## February 23: Seventh Sunday after Epiphany

Too often we get stuck in the muck of human things—doomscrolling, worrying about possessions, fretting over appearances. Jesus tells those who listen to set our mind on the Divine—generosity and prayer, loving service and worship—and spend our time and resources making the world better for all.

## March 2: Transfiguration Sunday

Living in God’s presence changes us. We will become more generous, more caring, more loving.

## March 9: First Sunday in Lent

Giving and sharing as a first priority is what keeps us in good relations with our neighbours and our neighbourhood.

## March 16: Second Sunday in Lent

It is not easy to be generous, to care for creation, and to love your neighbour when everything around you teaches greed and individualism, but stand firm.

## March 23: Third Sunday in Lent

How we use our money and resources is an indication of the depth of our relationship with God.

## March 30: Fourth Sunday in Lent

“So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; look, new things have come into being!” (2 Corinthians 5:17 NRSV)

## April 6: Fifth Sunday in Lent

When you use what God has blessed you with generously to care for creation and neighbour, you are praising God.

## April 13: Palm Sunday

Is it service? Is it clothes? Is it money? Is it yourself? What will you offer to celebrate Jesus this week?

## April 20: Easter Sunday

Where would we be if the women at the tomb had not shared what they experienced? Or if the disciples had not shared their stories? Or if people of vision had not shared their faith in your community? A legacy of sharing is why we are here. What do you have to share because of the resurrection?

## April 27: Second Sunday of Easter

Whatever it takes to share the amazing news of Jesus’ resurrection, let us offer those things.

## May 4: Third Sunday of Easter

Sometimes it takes a short, sharp shock to help us see the needs that are right in front of us and respond to them.

## May 11: Fourth Sunday of Easter

Let us take time to listen to the Spirit within us that calls us to follow the example of Jesus.

## May 18: Fifth Sunday of Easter

We should care less about who “deserves” what we share and more about where God is calling us to share it.

## May 25: Sixth Sunday of Easter

When you give your time and yourself to someone by recognizing them and honouring them as equal, no matter how unimportant they may seem, a miracle takes place.

## June 1: Seventh Sunday of Easter

Believe it or not, sometimes when you give, the unlikeliest action can bear the most fruit.

## June 8: Day of Pentecost

Discipleship is about listening to the voice of the Holy Spirit and learning to keep generosity at the heart of our actions.

## June 15: Trinity Sunday

Giving and generosity provide hope, and hope does not disappoint us, because God’s love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit.

## June 22: Second Sunday after Pentecost

As good stewards, we share our abundance to help nurture God’s kin-dom on earth.

## June 29: Third Sunday after Pentecost

We are called to do our best to redistribute God’s abundance so that all who need help can not only survive but also thrive.