

## Wall of Gratitude Activity

### We Are Called



Throughout the time you are putting an emphasis on stewardship, create an interactive display for people to engage. The purpose of the display is to invite gratitude for one another's gifts. People will have an opportunity to lift up specific things they have seen people contribute to the church, community, family, work/school, etc.

To create the display, use a bulletin board or display board (a large trifold display board placed on a table might work well). Use the theme "We Are Called" and the logo printed or written large on the board. Provide pens or markers and either post-it notes (varied colors will create a more interesting visual) or the enclosed sheet (provide a stapler or scotch tape for people to attach them).

In addition to inviting people to participate before or after worship, you could put slips of paper in the bulletins and invite people to fill one out during the offering time, take a few moments at council or other committee meetings to fill some out, and invite Sunday school classes to fill them out.

Names might be encouraged but not required.

Share instructions both in print communications, orally during announcements, and in writing by the display:

"You are invited to notice where your fellow congregation members are living out their calling and sharing their gifts. Write a note of thanks for something you have noticed. It could be here at church, out in the community, at their work or school, or at home.

Examples to get you started thinking:

- Maria was teaching her granddaughter how to take communion, sharing her lifetime of faith.
- Jose is an amazing teacher at the elementary school, caring for each individual student.
- Malik is a great advocate for our local housing program. He makes me want to get involved!
- Beth is a great soccer player. I love how she used her athletic skills in a game and supported her teammates.

(Don't forget! We'd love to hear how this goes for you – send a picture of your display to [swilco@nesynod.org](mailto:swilco@nesynod.org) so we can celebrate the gifts of the whole synod together!)