### Stewardship Training Events

#### **Stewardship Retreat** -

Church stewardship and finance teams are encouraged to attend this annual event together at Pine Lake Camp in mid-August. Topics include:

- Theology of Stewardship
- Narrative Budgets
- Apportionments and giving
- 3-5 yr Stewardship Ministry Plans
- Workshops on specific Annual Financial Campaigns



Pine Lake Camp

#### **Special Events -**

Margaret Marcuson, Ken Sloane, and Clif Christopher are speakers we've hosted. Check our website for the latest news www.wumf.org.



Stewardship Retreat

# What else can the Foundation do for your church?

 Investment Services – Professionally managed with church appropriate investments

- Endowment Services Permanent funds for mission and ministry
- First Mortgage Loans Low interest, flexible terms for building, renovation and refinance
- Capital Campaign Services Assistance in raising money for building, ministry, and debt elimination
- Grants Support for starting new and creative ministries
- Planned Giving Services Giving alternatives for individuals

"*...God loves a cheerful giver."* 2 Corinthians 9:7

#### "Stewardship isn't a seasonit's a lifestyle." A.J. Thomas, Joyful Giving Group

The mission of the Wisconsin United Methodist Foundation

is to assist the ministries of United Methodists in Wisconsin through lifelong financial stewardship.

## STEWARDSHIP SERVICES



**Appleton Emmanuel** 



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## How the Foundation can help....



Wilmot, WI

### What is God Calling us to Give?

That's the question we ask ourselves as we consider the many gifts God has entrusted to our care.

Stewardship is more than finding the best way to raise the most money! A Stewardship Ministry Plan invites people to grow in their relationship with God through generous giving.

We can help you invite members of your church take a fresh look at the variety of available ways to respond to the blessings they continue to receive. And **we will provide tools to inspire your congregation** toward a lifestyle of generous giving.

There is no "right answer" to which campaign or approach is best for your church. Call us to arrange a church visit or consultation:

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Christian stewardship: grateful and generous use of God's gifts in the light of God's purpose as revealed in Jesus Christ.

#### **Church/Circuit Consultation**

#### We meet with your

**congregational leaders** and give guidance on selecting a specific campaign, work with you to develop a Year-Round Stewardship Ministry or provide tools to help you analyze patterns of giving. At no cost to your church or circuit!

#### **Planned Giving Seminars**

What will your legacy be? Have you included the church in your will or considered ways to give in addition to cash? **Our staff will lead a Planned Giving Seminar**, hosted in your church, for your members and/or area churches. There is no charge for this seminar!

#### **Preview Library**

We carry over 40 of the latest Annual Financial Campaigns plus books and Bible studies on Stewardship in our Preview Library. Call or email wumf@wumf.org to set an appointment to view these resources.

#### Web Site

Check out www.wumf.org for Year-Round Stewardship ideas, Annual Financial Campaigns, Narrative Budget samples and Newsletter Articles. Additional helps are available through the Discipleship Ministries at: www.umcdiscipleship.org/ stewardship.

## Wells Stewardship Challenge Grant 3.0

(2023—2026)

The Stewardship Challenge Grant helps local churches implement "best practices" as they seek to grow in generosity. It is a grant that provides **incentive, encouragement and a small financial reward!** 

Through **3 levels of participation**, congregations are encouraged to ask what God is calling them to do in the area of Stewardship Ministry. The process includes **eight required activities**. Each church chooses at least two more optional activities and submits their application.

The financial reward ranges from **\$500 - \$700.** \$200 will be sent as soon as an application is received and the rest at the completion of the activities and submission of a brief report. Refer another church and receive \$75 when they apply!

Applications may be submitted at any time, there is not a fixed deadline. The full Challenge Grant brochure is on our website at:

> www.wumf.org/assets/ StewChallGrant.pdf