

## **Synod Policy for Undesignated Donations and Bequests**

Synod Council has established the following policy related to undesignated gifts and bequests:

10% of all external undesignated gifts and bequests in excess of \$5,000 will be designated to the ELCIC or other national / international expression of the church.

This policy of tithing a portion of undesignated gifts aligns with a similar policy established by our national church whereby the ELCIC allocates 10% of the undesignated gifts that it receives to Lutheran World Federation.

The Eastern Synod Council encourages your congregation to model these policies by sharing a portion of the unrestricted gifts you receive to support the ministries of the synod and/or other expressions of the wider church.