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*"[God] has told you, O mortal, what
is good, and what does the Lord
require of you but to do justice
and to love kindness and to walk
humbly with your God?"*

—Micah 6:8

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Dear friends at Bethel Lutheran Church,

We're thrilled to share that you are among the congregations most generous to ELCA World Hunger and Lutheran Disaster Response! We're so glad to have this opportunity to thank you directly for going above and beyond with your giving and for being one of the most faithful supporters of these ministries.

If you haven't already, you'll soon be receiving the latest edition of "LifeLines" newsletter. Inside you'll find stories about ELCA World Hunger and Lutheran Disaster Response from the United States and around the world. This year-in-review edition also includes financial information from the 2025 fiscal year. We hope all this will help your congregation understand the impact of your generosity. You make these crucial ministries possible!

Generous congregations such as yours enable these ministries to reach millions of our vulnerable neighbors across the globe. In the face of uncertainty, our work together as a church – and our presence in caring for people in crisis around the world – is more important than ever. **Thank you.**

Please let us know how we can support you. Many educational and general resources are available at [ELCA.org/Hunger/Resources](https://elca.org/Hunger/Resources) and [ELCA.org/Disaster/Resources](https://elca.org/Disaster/Resources). Of course, we would love to hear from you. Don't hesitate to reach out with your stories and questions. We hope we can continue to journey with you in prayer and partnership.

Thank you for your dedication to working toward a just world where all are fed. I give thanks to God for the faithful generosity of members of your congregation as you make an impact now and inspire hope for the future.

In Christ's service,

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