# JOY TO THE WORLD 2023

STEWARDSHIP APPEAL

## MEDIA OUTREACH

The hymn "Joy to the World" was not originally written as a Christmas song. It wasn't even a song at all. It was a poem written by Isaac Watts. Joy To The World is based on Psalm 98. Watts adapted the poem to focus on the work of Jesus Christ, whom he considered the King of the Church and the World. The second verse of the poem calls us to "Repeat the Sounding Joy." As we celebrate 50 years of ministry here in Parker, we also recognize our thankfulness to Jesus, who is still the King of our Church and our World. Thank you for making Joy Lutheran a place of generosity, love, and grace. Each year we ask you to consider your gift to support the work we do together in this place. This year our goal is to increase our giving by \$30,000 or more to support the following ministry:

# REPEAT THE SOUNDING JOY

**MEDIA OUTREACH** 

### \$10,000

- Maintain all of our media outlets including our webpage, Facebook page, and other future outreach medias.
- Repeat the Good News by providing information to members of Joy and the greater community in which we work and live.
- Proclaim the love of Christ through our ongoing media outreach.



We have been incredibly blessed by the work of our Evangelism Committee and specific individuals who have greatly given their time and talents to maintain our church webpage and Facebook account. We have reached a point in our life together where the job of media maintenance requires more technical knowledge. It is time for us to designate some of our resources to do this important work. After all, we have been called to proclaim the Good News which is another way of saying "Repeat the Sounding Joy." In our world today, we proclaim in person and online. Your gifts would be used to maintain and enhance our media presence.

We ask you to pray for our church. Pray for a generous response to this appeal. Pray about your own response. Consider increasing your generosity as the Lord leads you. Be ready to make your commitment known on **Joy to the World Weekend**, November 5-6. In our generosity we will be returning to our God what already belongs to God and, through our gifts, we can enhance our ministry through our media outreach.

#### JOY LUTHERAN CHURCH

RANGE OF GIFTS GIVEN AND HOPED FOR

This bar graph displays our giving. One bar shows the number of gifts that are currently being given at the indicated weekly amounts. The other bar shows the number of gifts that are needed in each level to reach our goal.

