

# Embark on the StewardSHIP 1- Worship



**Romans 12:1-2**

# **What is a Stewardship?**

**1. Dictionary Definition: a. the office, duties, and obligations of a steward, the conducting, supervising, or managing of something**

**(from Merriam-Webster Dictionary)**

## **2. Biblical Definition:**

**Stewardship involves the responsibility of managing God's work through the church.**

**God has appointed all Christians to be His stewards on earth. All Christians are stewards under Christ.**

**(From Nelson's New Illustrated Bible Manners and Customs:  
How the People of the Bible Really Lived)**

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# **4 Principles of Biblical Stewardship**

- 1. The principle of ownership**
2. The principle of responsibility
3. The principle of accountability
4. The principle of reward

**From: [www.liberty.edu/business/simply-money/4-principles-of-stewardship/](http://www.liberty.edu/business/simply-money/4-principles-of-stewardship/)**

**God doesn't owe us. God owns us!**

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**4. Body**

**5. Relationships**

**6. Good News**

**7. Salvation - by grace of God through Faith in Christ Jesus**

**8. Spiritual Gifts**

**9. And more...**



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- 3. Stewardship is a part of worship.**

## **Romans 12:1 (NRSV)**

**I appeal to you therefore, brothers and sisters,  
by the mercies of God, to present your bodies  
as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God,  
which is your spiritual worship.**

## **Romans 12:2**

**<sup>2</sup> Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God— what is good and acceptable and perfect.**

**As a member of the Body of Christ, do you wish to make Rockford United Methodist Church your church family and will support the church and participate in the ministries with your prayers, your presence, your gift, your service, and your witness?**

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**We are called to reach out to all people and model diversity among God's children — just as we are all welcome at Christ's table.**



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The people of The United Methodist Church®

## The Great Thanksgiving & Communion

One: The Lord be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

One: Lift up your hearts

**All: We lift them up to the Lord**

One: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

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And so, with Your people on earth and all the company of heaven we praise Your name and join their unending hymn:

**All: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**



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And so, in remembrance of these Your mighty acts in Jesus Christ, we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ's offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

**All: Christ has died; Christ is risen;  
Christ will come again.**

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**Please rise, if able, and  
Come to the table closest to you!**

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Through Your Son Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in  
Your holy church, all honor and glory is Yours,  
almighty Father, now and forever.

**All: Amen**



One: And now, with the confidence of children of God, let us pray:

**All: Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name,  
Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses  
as we forgive those who trespass against us.**

**And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil,  
for Thine is the kingdom, and the power  
and the glory forever.**

**Amen.**

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Remember the body of Christ broken for you!

Let all God's people say,

**All: Thanks be to God!**

Remember the blood of Christ poured out for you!

Let all God's people say,

**All: Thanks be to God!**