ELEVATOR REPAIRS STILL A THORN IN OUR SIDE

As you know, the elevator repair has been a slow, painstaking process. Unfortunately, it has come down to step-by-step repair. As one thing is repaired and the elevator doesn't work, it lends itself to the next item that is broken and needs to be fixed. We are fortunate to have a customer service representative working with us to solve the problem. There are no outstanding invoices, and most delays are on the processing end of the elevator repair company. Thanks for your continued patience.

END OF 2024 FINANCIAL REPORT

A full end of the year report is forthcoming, but we want to provide financial status updates. Our end of November financials are as expected with \$186,000 in revenue vs. \$211,000 in expenses. These amounts should align at the end of the year with final pledge payments and Christmas Tree Sale fundraising revenue. The expenses also include \$19,000 in elevator expenses that were paid but will be covered by donations and the insurance claim, once the elevator is repaired. Thank you to everyone for their continued commitments to pledges, fundraising, and the gifts of your time and talent.

UPDATE ON PLEDGED GIVING

Thank you to all our members and friends who pledged their financial support for 2025. As of December 29, 2024, we have received 71 pledges for a total of \$145,980. This leaves us \$24,020 short of our goal of \$170,000. If you have not returned your pledge form yet, please do so, or consider giving a one-time gift. We are counting on everyone, and every bit helps! Pledge forms can be printed from the **Stewardship** webpage.

WINTER CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

All members are encouraged to attend our Winter Congregational Meeting on Sunday, January 26, in Fellowship Hall, immediately following the 9:00 worship service. The main item of business is to vote on a proposed Church Budget for 2025. Please plan to attend!

RAISERIGHT GIFT CARD FUNDRAISING PROGRAM

Help raise money for our church! Jennifer Dimmer and Rhonda Thompson, our church RaiseRight Coordinators, will be placing an order on Sunday, January 12. Gift cards will be available at the church for pick up starting Sunday, January 19. Complete the paper form and write out a check to the church. If you are interested in getting started with the program, please reach out to the church office.