

# Here's your Thanksgiving District News

**Rev. Jeffry Bross, District Superintendent**



**“Giving Thanks”**

In the future, we will continue to share ideas that are working in our sister churches around the district, conference and general church. This newsletter, however, I wanted to give thanks. Thanks to all of the pastors who worked so hard to get your churches through the difficult times of Covid. Thanks to the lay leadership in every church who gallantly gave their gifts of time, treasure and talents to weather the storms that were placed before us. Thanks to the staff who were able to figure out how to lead education and worship and music in the times that were presented to them. I have heard time after time the ways the Holy Spirit guided you all through these challenging days. I have heard of capital campaigns begun and finished all during Covid times. I have heard of churches receiving new members for the first time in many years because the church went online and people found them and appreciated their ministries. I have heard of shut ins being able to worship for the first time because of online worship offered by their churches. One church was able to give their pastor a raise for the first time in many years and this all happened in the midst of Covid. Certainly not every church saw increased giving or new members. Not every church weathered the storms the same way. Yet, at every single charge conference I have attended, it was not difficult for the membership to raise the celebrations of their church, their community and how Jesus showed the way. This Thanksgiving I am thankful for many things and one of the greatest on my list is the Prairie Central District churches and people.

Blessings to you all!

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