

Year-round Stewardship Plan

If the only time stewardship is mentioned is during the annual budget preparation and presentation time, congregation members might well receive the false impression stewardship is only about money. On the other hand, if stewardship activities take place throughout the year, members learn stewardship is managing all of life and life's resources for God's purposes.

One congregation's year-round plan:

January	Family Budgeting
February	Volunteerism
March	Spiritual Growth
April	Care of Creation
May	Discovering Spiritual Gifts
June	Balancing Life's Activities
July	Community Involvement and Patriotism
August	Time Management
September	Skill Enhancement
October	Personal Money Management
November	Special Appeals
December	Alternative gift giving, following the Lord's Example

Or use the ELCA Calendar of Emphasis to schedule opportunities for mission interpretation: