

# South Central Wisconsin Synod ELCA 2023 Holy Currencies For Incubation & Stewardship

## **ABOUT THE HOLY CURRENCIES**

*Holy Currencies is a model for developing congregational ministries created by the Kaleidoscope Institute (KI). This model has been used internationally to strengthen the impact and sustainability of community-oriented ministries. It includes six “currencies”, or resources that, when combined, can lead to a more transformational ministry.*

**Applications are now Open!**  
**Registration fee \$500 per congregational team.**

## **THE HOLY CURRENCIES INCUBATION & STEWARDSHIP PROJECT**

The South-Central Wisconsin Synod is looking for congregations with either

1. A desire to learn and experience a **stewardship** model that is holistic, embracing all aspects of congregational life or,
2. A desire to **incubate** a new or existing ministry using the Holy Currencies model to develop a comprehensive ministry plan.

We expect to support a cohort of several congregations to learn and apply the Holy Currencies model to congregational ministry. The cohort will begin in January 2023, with formal training concluding in September 2023. You will be invited to designate whether you are focusing on stewardship or ministry incubation.

At the end of the process, congregations who choose to be a part of the Stewardship process will have a renewed and holistic stewardship program. Congregations who choose the incubation process will have developed a ministry plan for sustainable community partnership, including a roadmap for building relationships, exploring community partnerships, and building congregational leadership.

Apply to be part of the **Holy Currencies Incubation & Stewardship Program**. If your application is accepted, we will help you incubate your ministry to become sustainable and more connected to the community. A copy of the application can be found here ([please add a link](#)). Email your completed application to [walterb@scsw-elca.org](mailto:walterb@scsw-elca.org).

## **OVERVIEW OF THE HOLY CURRENCIES PROCESS**

Submit Application by December 16, 2022

Pre-orientation Webinar via Zoom: January 17, 2023 at 6:30pm

**Orientation Training February 24-25, 2023:** Recruit a team of six to eight leaders from your church and attend the Holy Currencies Orientation. The orientation will cover the currencies of gracious leadership and relationship

**Site Visitation:** Kaleidoscope Institute and members of the South-Central Wisconsin Synod staff will visit your team early in the program to learn more about your church and its ministries, learn about your community, and to establish coaching relationships.

**2x Monthly Team Gatherings:** Following the orientation retreat your team will gather twice a month to learn more about the other currencies and develop plans for engaging stewardship or incubating your ministry.

- **Gathering One:** Your team will watch a video from the Kaleidoscope Institute exploring the Holy Currencies. These videos are available in English and in Spanish. Following the video you will share in a Bible Study together.
- **Gathering Two:** *Stewardship* teams will plan how to engage their congregation on the Holy Currency assigned for that month. *Incubation* teams will work on their ministry plan, focusing on that particular currency.

**Coaching Calls:** You will be assigned a coach to walk with you through this process and answer any questions you may have. You will receive at least one coaching call/month during this program.

**Ministry Celebration Day, September 16, 2023:** Your team will gather again for a day of celebration for all that you've learned and accomplished during this project. It will be an opportunity to learn what other congregations did and how you can support each other into the future.

### **KEY DATES**

**December 16, 2022:** applications due

**December 17, 2022 to January 8, 2023:** application review may include a phone call to discuss application for short-listed applicants, if needed

**By January 9, 2023:** selected congregations and church teams notified

**January 17, 2023 at 6:30:** Pre-orientation Webinar via Zoom.

**February 24-25, 2023:** two day in-person training with your Congregational Holy Currencies Team

**February 2023-September 2023:** Two monthly meetings with your Holy Currencies team, and a monthly coaching call to support you in this process.

**September 16, 2023:** Ministry Celebration Day

### **CONTACT US!**

We encourage you to consult with the Kaleidoscope Institute to learn more about how Holy Currencies could benefit your existing ministry or if you are interested in future opportunities:

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