**May 5**

As stewards of God's creation, we are called to make the earth a beautiful garden for the human family. (Pope Francis)

**May 12**

Love cannot remain by itself – it has no meaning. Love has to be put into action and that action is service. (Mother Teresa – nun, missionary)

**May 19**

The unselfish effort to bring cheer to others will be the beginning of a happier life for ourselves.

(Helen Keller – author)

**May 26**

It’s not what you do with the million if fortune should ere be your lot, but what are you doing at present with the dollar and quarter you’ve got. (Anonymous)

**June 2**

The power of the future lies not in the hands of those who believe in scarcity but of those who trust God's abundance. (Walter Brueggemann, Old Testament Scholar and Minister in the United Church of Christ)

**June 9**

“Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you” (1Thess 5:16-18).

**June 16**

Like good stewards of the manifold grace of God, serve one another with whatever gift each of you has received. (1 Peter 4:10)

**June 23**

Theirs is an endless road, a hopeless maze, who seek for goods before they seek for God.

(Bernard of Clairvaux – abbot, mystic)

**June 30**

“Praise and gratitude are central to our efforts to speak the truth.” John Buchanan (Retired Presbyterian minister and the former editor and publisher of the *Christian Century.*)

**July 7**

Self-care is never a selfish act - it is only good stewardship of the only gift I have, the gift I was put on earth to offer others. (Parker J. Palmer – author, activist, educator)

**July 14**

Expressing our gratitude is a gift to the giver. (Sue Bender, author)

**July 21**

We should travel light and live simply. Our enemy is not possessions, but excess. (John Stott (b. 1921) Priest in the Church of England)

**July 28**

“Gratitude doesn’t send you out shopping to find satisfaction; it comes as a gift rather than a commodity, subverting the foundation of the whole economy… That’s good medicine for land and people alike.” (Robin Wall Kimmerer – author)

**August 4**

Our stewardship calls us to explore ways of love and justice in respecting God's creation and in seeking its responsible use for the common good. *(Living Faith 2.4.2)*

**August 11**

The earth is the Lord’s and all that is in it, the world, and those who live in it.(Psalm 24:1)

**August 18**

Giving is the thermometer of our love. (Anonymous)

**August 25**

It’s not what you take when you leave this world behind you. It’s what you leave behind you when you go. (Randy Travis, musician)