

March 2025 Bulletin Sentences

March 2, 2025

We can face competing priorities when we think about planning our estates someday. Part of that tension flows from immediate needs versus long-term needs in our lives. In our culture, it is the “immediate” that receives the attention, resulting in us failing to plan for long-term needs. For example, if you are going to put an estate plan in place, it will cost money working with an attorney. Maybe you need new tires instead and that wins the contest. To deal with the long term, we need to plan for it and prioritize. Your LCMS Foundation Gift Planning Counselor can meet with you, without cost, to begin thinking about the value of this long-range planning. Contact Tony Hunt 260-222-1291 or tony.hunt@lfnd.org

March 9, 2025

We can face competing priorities when we think about planning our estates someday. Part of that tension flows from immediate needs versus long-term needs in our lives. Many seniors are concerned about the high cost of nursing home care and believe their only estate priority is protecting assets. But there are many other legal and financial issues that should be considered, including how to bless family with inheritance and support ministries that the Lord has laid on the heart. Your LCMS Foundation Gift Planning Counselor can broaden your consideration. Contact Tony Hunt 260-222-1291 or tony.hunt@lfnd.org

March 16, 2025

We can face competing priorities when we think about planning our estates someday. Part of that tension flows from immediate needs versus long-term needs in our lives. Sometimes God’s people hesitate to plan because we don’t know what that future will look like. It is true that if the Lord wills for you to live thirty more years, your goals or needs might change. But that should not stop you from planning today. Your estate plan is a snapshot in time, guiding things as you currently know them. You may need to adjust your plan in the future, but that shouldn’t keep you from having a plan today. Your LCMS Foundation Gift Planning Counselor can help. Contact Tony Hunt 260-222-1291 or tony.hunt@lfnd.org

March 23, 2025

We can face competing priorities when we think about planning our estates someday. Part of that tension flows from immediate needs versus long-term needs in our lives. Some of God’s saints hesitate to commit to creating an estate gift for ministry because they say, “What if I need those funds before I die?” As long as the funds remain in your name, you always have access to them. Yet, your estate plan is in place for things that you don’t use during your earthly life. Your LCMS Foundation Gift Planning Counselor can help explain this. Contact Tony Hunt at 260-222-1291 or tony.hunt@lfnd.org

March 30, 2025

We can face competing priorities when we think about planning our estates someday. Part of that tension flows from immediate needs versus long-term needs in our lives. You can list the members of your family today, but what happens to inheritance if family situations change? What happens if one of your children gets married or a grandchild is born, and they are not listed in your will or trust? Your attorney can place language in your legal documents to address these matters. Your LCMS Foundation Gift Planning Counselor can highlight the concerns you have with your attorney to ensure they are addressed. For assistance Contact Tony Hunt 260-222-1291 or tony.hunt@lfnd.org