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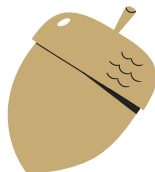
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Welcome to our first newsletter

We are excited to launch our inaugural newsletter for clients and look forward to sharing fun and helpful information in this edition and the many to come.

Green Bay Financial Group is comprised of seven financial advisors who have more than 80 years of combined experience. We serve clients at every stage of life and value the generational and relational aspect of our role. Cultivating relationships with our clients and their families is at the heart of what we do.



Financial advisors at the Green Bay Financial Group.

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Five ways to amplify your charitable impact

1. Focus your funds

Instead of contributing small donations to numerous organizations, concentrate your giving by making a larger gift to one or two. This way, you can give greater financial support to the organizations you care about most.

2. Skip the fees

Your donation can go further with the help of a charitable giving program such as Thrivent Choice®. Using Thrivent's online giving platform, you personally can contribute to the organizations you care about. Thrivent will cover processing fees for your donation, making sure your entire donation goes to your cause.*

3. Give together

Accumulate a larger donation amount by combining your giving with others. A group donation can make a greater financial impact for a nonprofit, and it can be a great way to come together and start a giving tradition with your coworkers, church groups, friends or family members.

4. Use other assets

Money isn't the only way to make a charitable impact. Consider donating noncash assets, such as publicly traded stock and mutual funds, real estate or life insurance, in addition to any financial gifts.

For the fifth way, [read the full article](#) on Thrivent's website.

Curious about qualified charitable distributions (QCDs)?

Call our office to learn how you may be able to use QCDs to help the organizations you care about.

Thrivent receives three independent financial strength ratings

AM Best, S&P Global and Moody's each affirm Thrivent's strong financial profile and performance.

[Read the article](#) on Thrivent's website.

Warm congratulations

We are celebrating Ben Borchardt's 20th anniversary and Julie Coppersmith's 10th anniversary with Thrivent. Thank you both for your many contributions to our team.



Financial Advisor Ben Borchardt



Financial Advisor Julie Coppersmith

Mark's arctic adventure: Chasing a dream as far north as one can go

Financial Associate Mark Armstrong set off in June for the adventure of a lifetime to see the Arctic Ocean. Caribou, grizzly bears, mountain goats, moose, pacific loons and black bears were just a few of the wildlife that kept Mark company on his 10,527 mile trek in a well-stocked truck.

After first enjoying quality time with his daughter and grandkids in Alaska, Mark continued the journey north to Inuvik, Canada. Once he hit the end of the road (literally!), Mark finally got to step foot in the Arctic Ocean.

Mark said embarking on a solo trip of this magnitude comes with challenges and unexpected turns, but the reward of seeing it through and accomplishing a dream makes it worthwhile.



Fall Thrivent Action Team ideas

Do you have Thrivent Action Teams left to use for the year? There's still time to apply and lead one. Check out some of our favorite ideas:

- Write letters of appreciation to veterans or those serving in the military.
- Make tie-together fleece blankets for a homeless shelter.
- Prepare a meal to serve to local teachers.
- Create and sell recipe books to raise funds for a worthy cause.
- Wrap Christmas gifts in exchange for donations to a local charity.
- Host a holiday nutrition and wellness education event.
- Teach finances to kids.
- Hold a grief seminar.
- Assemble hygiene kits.
- Establish a nursing home and school pen pal project.

[Visit the Thrivent Action Team Hub](#) for more ideas and information.

Ruth's garden corner

“The Mighty Fortress Garden” stands more than eight feet tall and is home to 15 different vegetables that Insurance Office Professional Ruth Borchardt grows each summer. Between her vegetable garden and her 15-tree apple orchard, Ruth spends many evenings harvesting, freezing and canning the fruits of her labor.



Fall recipe fun

Apple crisp

Apple crisp ingredients

- 4 cups of sliced apples
- ½ cup of sugar
- 1 tablespoon of flour

Topping ingredients

- ½ cup of quick oatmeal
- ½ cup of flour
- ½ cup of sugar
- ½ cup of brown sugar
- ½ cup of butter
- 1 teaspoon of cinnamon

Directions

Combine the apple crisp ingredients and place the mixture in a greased 8-by-8-inch pan. Blend together the topping ingredients until crumbly and sprinkle over apples. Bake at 350° degrees for 40 minutes or until golden brown and apples are tender. Best served with ice cream.



Upcoming Thrivent Member Network events

Nov. 19

Market & Economic Update | Virtual

Dec. 8–14

Carols for a Cause | Virtual

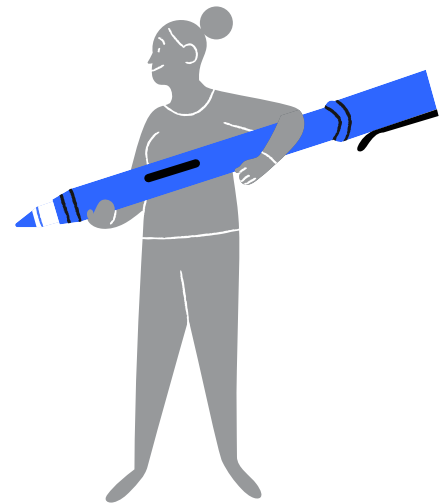
Dec. 9

Green Bay Botanical Garden Holiday Lights | In-person

Dec. 10–25

Virtual Christmas Concert featuring five-time Grammy® Award-winning artist Steven Curtis Chapman.

For more details and to register for these events, [visit Thrivent's website](#).



Your referrals are our biggest compliment

Do you have friends or family who could benefit from Green Bay Financial Group's services? Tell them to give us a call. We'd be happy to meet with them to learn about their needs and explore how we could help.

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