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Financial Sanity in a Money Crazy World

Nathan Dungan is the president and founder of Share Save Spend™, an organization that helps youth and adults achieve financial sanity by developing and maintaining healthy financial habits. He is one of the national media's go-to experts on family finances and the effects of mass marketing on young people.

He has been widely quoted in The New York Times, The Washington Post, The Wall Street Journal, USA Today, BusinessWeek and TIME magazine, and has been a featured guest on CBS, CNN, PBS and public radio's Marketplace and Sound Money. In 2004, The Business Journal named Nathan one of the Twin Cities top forty professionals under the age of 40.

Nathan Dungan will lead the participants (age 8 to 80) in a thought provoking seminar. With particular emphasis on how we teach our children and grandchildren about financial decisions, the seminar will have valuable information for all Christians on how to set financial priorities. His Share-Save-Spend™ method will help children and adults establish healthy financial habits and will guide the participants in making responsible financial decisions. Financial Sanity Groups will be forming in the weeks after the seminar to help individuals and families integrate Share-Save-Spend into their daily lives.

Seminar Preparation Book

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The genesis of the book came for Dungan when he was asked by a Lutheran Christian Education director to develop curriculum that could be used in the church to help parents talk to their children about financial matters. Though not explicitly Christian, the book holds intrinsic values that members of St. Andrew's can embrace. "Nathan speaks to the spiritual battle over money and spending that so many families are facing," commented Pastor John Keller after reading the book.

Copies of the book will be available after worship.