



Weaving Our Future Together

ALL SAINTS' EPISCOPAL CHURCH STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN

October 8, 2016

Dear Member of Our All Saints' Parish Family,

So, we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually we are members one of another.


— Romans 12:5

Paul writes these words to the community of Christians in Rome as an encouragement to see their lives woven together in the life of Christ. ***Paul could well be writing to us, here in Frederick.*** Paul wanted each member of the community to see that their presence and their contribution to the church was vital to every other member of the Body of Christ.

We are also woven together with past generations, those saints who responded to God's call, gave what they could and built the foundation that is All Saints'. Today, we are blessed beyond measure to be part of a vibrant, healthy parish community with worship, formation, pastoral care, outreach and many ways to serve God and our neighbors. We feel God's love every time we are woven together in service, worship and fellowship becoming the Body of Christ.

The theme of this year's Stewardship Campaign is ***Weaving Our Future Together.*** Because individually we are parts of a whole and that whole can only be realized when we are woven together. We all have something to contribute—time, talent and treasure and when we all contribute what we have—there is more than enough! With everyone's contribution we will continue to grow and thrive as a living community of faith. And together, we have a unique opportunity—to discern God's dream for us and to weave our individual thread into the fabric of the future to which we are called. During our stewardship campaign this fall you are invited to participate in creating a piece of art that will represent our lives woven together. ***Everyone who pledges will be asked to take a blue ribbon and weave it through a loom that will be available in the worship spaces during the Stewardship drive.*** The ribbons are a symbol of our commitment and promise to support All Saints' and as we weave them together they will be a visible symbol of our common life together in the One Body of Christ.

By making an annual pledge, you are helping us know what to expect for income. Pledging also gives you the opportunity to budget for your contribution as you budget for other family and household expenses. Please, prayerfully consider your pledge to All Saints' for 2017. Last year, the average pledge was \$2,600—which amounts to \$50 each week, or just over \$7 each day. Only you know the contribution that is a good fit for your household. Our goal is 100% participation. No one person is able to carry the entire ministry



of the church, but woven together, as All the Saints, we are able to lift up all of our ministries in response to God's call. The Daughters of the King's motto is:

For His Sake... I am but one, but I am one. I cannot do everything, but I can do something. What I can do, I ought to do. What I ought to do, by the grace of God I will do. Lord, what will you have me do?

This year we have made significant, intentional investments in our infrastructure. When we realized that All Saints' iconic steeple was in dire need of repair, we honored our history by restoring it as a beacon of hope for so many. We are also ensuring that our music-filled worship continues to flourish with the installation of a new organ. These

improvements are only possible because of the generous parishioners who made commitments to All Saints' endowment funds over the years. Those gifts provide us with the financial option to take care of capital repairs in a timely manner. Now, it is now our turn to give back to the endowment—***to pay it forward. In your pledge card, you are invited to make a gift to the endowment and weave a golden ribbon into the tapestry of our future.***

Please complete the enclosed pledge form and return it to the church by placing it in the offering plate, mailing it or bringing it to the office by **November 13**. The campaign will culminate on November 20 when we celebrate our pledges during worship. Your pledge and this timetable allow our Budget and Finance Committee and Vestry to plan for the coming year.

Every gift makes a difference. Thank you for your ongoing support and for being a member of the All Saints' family. Our God is an abundant provider. Together we are weaving the future that God has in store for all of us. Thanks be to God!

In Christ's Love,

The Rev. Adrien Dawson
Rector, All Saints' Church

Niki Thrash
Senior Warden

Rachel Querry
Stewardship Committee Chair

Mark Gibson
Budget and Finance Chair

Marty Powers
Treasurer

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In order to weave your contribution ribbon, fill out the Stewardship Pledge below and send it back in the enclosed return envelope. A proportional giving chart is located on the reverse side to aid in your charitable calculations.

2017 PLEDGE

Financial Pledge of \$ _____ total for the year 2017.

I/We intend to pay my pledge (weekly) (monthly) (other: _____) *please choose one*

I/We would like to receive envelopes for my weekly offering to All Saints' Episcopal Church (ASEC).

I/We do not need offering envelopes. I will use online banking to set up an automatic payment for my offering to ASEC.

PAY IT FORWARD PLEDGE

Ensure future restoration of our historic buildings by pledging to replenish the endowment. Funds were withdrawn from the endowment to restore the steeple and to replace the pipe organ.

My pledge is \$ _____. I will contribute:

Immediately (*check enclosed*) Over the next year Over 1 to 3 years Over 1 to 5 years

TALENT PLEDGE

I/We plan to participate in the following ministries in 2017. *Select all that apply.*

Ministries of Worship

- Altar Guild
- Ushering
- Choir/Music
- Readers/Prayer Leaders
- Chaliceist
- Acolyte/Crucifer

Ministries of Church Operations

- Buildings & Grounds
- Finance/Investment
- Stewardship
- Communications
- Vestry

Ministries of Fellowship & Community

- Coffee Hour/Fellowship
- Newcomers
- Outreach

Ministries of Faith Formation

- Sunday School Children
- Adult Education
- Youth Ministry

Return Your Pledge Form in the enclosed envelope by November 13. We will celebrate all of our gifts on Sunday, November 20!

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

PROPORTIONAL GIVING

Pledge %	Annual Income	\$25K	\$35K	\$50K	\$100K	\$120K
2%	Weekly	\$10	\$13	\$19	\$38	\$46
4%	Weekly	\$19	\$27	\$38	\$77	\$92
5%	Weekly	\$24	\$34	\$48	\$96	\$115
8%	Weekly	\$38	\$54	\$77	\$153	\$185
10%	Weekly	\$48	\$67	\$96	\$192	\$231