

Sharing What We Have: Our Worship A Series on Giving

At St. Andrew's, we are blessed, indeed, by our liturgy, music, outreach, fellowship, formation online experience, and much, much more. Giving to others is the gift that just keeps on giving. It is not just Treasure that we will focus on here (but, are quite grateful for), but also the other 2 "T's"—time and talent.

Many won't read to the end, so let me stop here, and ask "the ask" that I'm asking. Please share our online services with your friends. Send them the service links, or start a Facebook Watch Party from the St. Andrew's Facebook page (from St. Andrew's Facebook page, scroll down until you see "Watch Video or Start").

Many feel shut off from the outside world right now, and want to feel and experience our good news.

As an example, I started a Facebook Watch Party directly from the St. Andrew's Facebook page. Last week, 10 of my friends watched. I was not expecting that. I was expecting zero. And, it was not who I expected. It was friends from far and wide, who just felt they needed to connect to God through us.

I feel compelled to express gratefulness for the compliments I have received with respect to the online services, but it is a big dog to wag every week to put these on. There are many orchestrators, and they all deserve our thanks.

Our clergy (Stephen, Ed, and now, Will) originate the services, Emily Nein gets them ready, and in script format, with music input from Director of Music, Aaron Goen. Aaron works countless hours with our choir and Music Engineer, Richard Demy, to record, sync, and finish several pieces of music each week. Julie Morgan schedules the Lay Ministers for recording. Amy Dutton arranges with parishioners to record our greetings. Betsy Cotten wrangles our announcements every week. There are others in the process, including some amazing guest musicians, and, now, I'm out of breath from just saying all of this.

However, I digress. Please be bold and share our collective St. Andrew's gifts with others, and invite them into this great thing we have going here. It is a gift worth sharing.

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