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To the Members of Christ Church:

The Vestry of Christ Church, led by the Strategic Planning Committee – Nicole Cesare, Ayodele Gansallo, Nava Hall and Sarah Stevenson - is about to embark on a strategic planning process that we hope will assist us as we begin to think about the role of Christ Church in our lives, the wider community and the world. The last parish-wide strategic plan was some years ago, so we are excited to begin.

To assist us, we have engaged a planning consultant, Tuomi Forrest. His approach is based in the ABCD, or Asset Based Community Development, philosophy. His goal will be to assist us in identifying our strengths and how we can best make the most of them. Our hope is that we will be a stronger congregation at the end of this reflective process.

There will be many facets to this work, which will include interviews with some members of the parish. Unfortunately, Tuomi will not be able to interview us all, but we are reviewing with him the possibility of opening up the process to those who wish to participate, most likely through a parish-wide survey. However, some of these finer details have yet to be finalized. Our hope is to have a report by early summer of next year that we plan to share with you all before we move to the next phase of developing a strategic plan that will lead us through the next stage of our historic journey.

Should you have any questions, concerns or suggestions regarding the strategic planning process, please reach out to one or all of the Strategic Planning Committee. We will be more than happy to hear from you.

Thank you for partnering with us in this process.

Sincerely, Ayodele Gansallo, *Rector's Warden*

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