



Dear people of All Saints,

This is the time of year for our annual pledge campaign, and everyone in the parish is asked to make a pledge of their time, talent, and treasure. Stewardship includes your financial contribution to the parish, and this enables us as a community to plan our 2020 budget, and do the good work God is calling us to do. But stewardship is about so much more. Simply put, stewardship is how we live into being a disciple. It is how we chose to live as Christians after we have said “yes” to following Jesus. There is a beautiful line from the Eucharistic Prayer, Rite I in our Book of Common Prayer: “And here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls, and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and living sacrifice unto thee.” Stewardship acknowledges the great abundance that God has given us, and it invites us to give generously to the mission and ministry of the church.

Enclosed you will find the **Annual Pledge Form** for your financial offering to All Saints Episcopal Church for 2020, along with a chart illustrating proportional giving. Over the next few weeks, prayerfully consider how you give of your time, talent, and treasure for the building of God’s kingdom here at All Saints. Reflect on what ministries you may participate in: making sandwiches on Sunday after Church, volunteering at Laundry Love, being a Lay Reader or Acolyte, or serving on Altar Guild to name just a few. How can each of us offer, “ourselves, our souls, and our bodies” for the building up of the Body of Christ, the Church? I invite you to honestly reflect on, and pray with, these questions. I also ask that you consider increasing your financial pledge for 2020.

Please return your completed Pledge Form, by All Saints Sunday, November 3, 2019.

You may mail them in the envelope provided, or drop them off at church, by placing your financial pledge forms in the offering plate. May God bless us in our ministry.

Yours in Christ,

The Rev. Trace Browning