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Dear Trinity Church Members and Friends,

This is such a difficult letter for me to write because I have come to love you all so much. My husband, Stephen, has been retired seven years and after much prayer I have decided that this is the time for me to join him in retirement. With this letter, I am announcing my retirement, and my last day with you as your Associate Rector will be December 31st, 2021.

I have had several conversations with our rector, Dave Sugeno and Bishop Ryan, and they have been supportive of my decision. They also helped me work out the timing of this announcement though I realize that there is never a good time to begin the process of saying goodbye to people you love. Thankfully we still have more than two months to continue to be together, and I pledge to be fully present as I continue to serve you up until my last day at Trinity.

You are reading this letter either just after or just before receiving our annual stewardship letter. (We promise no more letters this week!) Trinity Church is emerging from the stress of this pandemic, and I have complete confidence that through our continued faithful response to God and care of each other and those outside our doors, Trinity will be stronger than ever. One of the great privileges of my ministry has been to work alongside Dave. I cannot imagine serving under a better rector and what makes it emotionally possible for me to leave is knowing that you will continue to be cared for by such a wise, caring, and thoughtful priest.

Blessings and love,

The Rev. Nan N. Kennedy