



Dear St. Philip's Sisters and Brothers,

Our Annual Giving theme this year is **Broken Open**. The theme comes from the words Jesus spoke at the first Eucharist:

“While they were eating, Jesus took a loaf of bread, and after blessing it he broke it, gave it to the disciples, and said, “Take, eat; this is my body.” Matthew 26:26

Just as Jesus blessed and broke the bread at the Last Supper, transforming plain bread into something special, we too are transformed by being **broken open**.

We have been **broken open** to new ways of being together for worship and fellowship, to welcome and embrace online members and visitors, to revitalize ministries with new ideas, and to refresh and enhance our physical building while enjoying our outdoor areas as never before.

Your generosity during these transformational times is essential to St. Philip's and to the community in which we live. God has given us all we need, and it is our great joy to give back. Prayerfully discern how you can help meet the needs of St. Philip's and the community through your financial giving. And please give as God is encouraging you to give.

New for this year we are offering an electronic [2022 Giving Estimate Card](#) (aka pledge card.) [Click this link](#), provide the requested information, and your Giving Estimate will be sent to the Stewardship email address. If instead you would like a hard copy Giving Estimate Card, please call the church office at 804-321-1266 or send an email to stewardship@stphilipsrva.org.

A Few Thoughts About Giving Estimates

- **Intended as Discernment.** Your Giving Estimate is intended to be your prayerful discernment of what God is calling you to give financially to further God's ministry at and through St. Philip's, and what your circumstances permit.
- **Covers a Calendar Year.** Your Giving Estimate is meant to cover an entire calendar year so church leadership can exercise good stewardship of the financial resources entrusted by the people of the parish.
- **Changeable as Needed.** Your Giving Estimate can be changed and resubmitted any time your circumstances require a decrease or permit an increase.

Please return the Giving Estimate Card before November 7, 2021, to be blessed during the All Saints' Day Service.

Faithfully Yours, The Stewardship Committee