



FAITH·FILLED GENEROSITY

*Like good stewards of the manifold grace of God, serve one another
with whatever gift each of you has received. – 1 PETER 4:10*

August 31, 2020

Dear Friends,

When we set “Faith-Filled Generosity” as the theme for this year’s stewardship campaign, none of us could have known what this year would be like. I need not remind you of the disruptions, losses, and anxieties that this year has brought to our communities, for we are all still living with the impacts. I can say, however, that although the coronavirus pandemic has tested our resolve, it has not tested our faith. We are stronger, more resilient, and more connected than we have ever been as a Church and as a community of neighbors. Thank you. Thanks to each one of you doing your part in your homes, workplaces, schools, neighborhoods, families, and here in our church. I have witnessed how you have helped one another and find it inspiring.

As the verse from 1 Peter above suggests, there are real theological reasons God calls us to give of ourselves and our talents to His work. This is part of our formation as Christians. More practically, All Saints’, as any church, has ongoing needs that must be addressed. Making a pledge has the practical benefit of helping our Vestry set a budget based on the dollars we anticipate receiving. Additionally, leadership at the church has used your gifts wisely. We have been good stewards of your generosity. To pledge online, visit allsaints-austin.org/give. It’s easy! Or return the enclosed card in the envelope provided.

All Saints’ is conducting our two-month Season of Generosity, which began on August 30. Mary MacGregor, former canon for congregational vitality in the Diocese of Texas, provided us inspiration as stewards in God’s church. The Season concludes on November 1, when Bishop Ryan will deliver our message. During the two months, you will hear taped messages from parishioners and leaders of ministries at All Saints’ who have witnessed and believe in the call to be stewards.

All Saints’ is celebrating 120 years of ministry. Let’s rejoice in preserving and extending this milestone in this 120th Anniversary Year by **celebrating our past, supporting our present, and envisioning our future.**

In the spirit of generosity and love,



The Rev. Lane Hensley
Interim Rector



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