

Dear St. Aidan's Family,

We are entering stewardship season: that time when we pause to reflect on what we have been given and how we are called to care for it together.

You and I were created for this. Deep in our being, we are meant to be stewards – people who protect the path, who watch over the house, who treasure what matters most, and who share from what we have received. That is the mission each of us is born for. And it is the mission of St. Aidan's: to care for our corner of creation, loving God and neighbor at every turn. We do that well!

When we share from what we have been given, we are fully human, experiencing life in its fullness. When we are generous, we participate in the ongoing, creative power of God's own generosity, joining a legacy and movement bigger and more magnificent than ourselves.

Last year, together, we retired our mortgage – that's amazing! Now we dream bigger for the next season of St. Aidan's. Our focus this year is inviting every single person in our St. Aidan's family to help nurture these dreams and go deeper in the profound spiritual practice of generosity. We don't walk this journey alone. Each and every one of us is a gift-from God, and to one another. And we all have something to give!

Everything you need to participate is enclosed. Spend time in prayer over your pledge. Invite a conversation between you and God about abundance, trust, and joy. There are prompts for that in the materials provided and we will explore them together as well! Please complete and return your pledge in time for Celebration Sunday on November 9, 2025. We will gather then to bless our commitments and celebrate during coffee hour.

And here's something special – bring your completed *All Ages Pledge Poster* to church so we can display them in the Narthex. They will be a beautiful testament to St. Aidan's and all its creatures, a visible celebration of who we are together. What will we create?

Thank you for everything each one of you does to help protect, watch over, and care for God's bright and beautiful world.

In gratitude,

Rev. Rebecca Troutman Assistant Rector

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