

Stewardship

at All Saints' Church for 2023



I am writing today to ask for your support for All Saints' Church in 2023; specifically, a pledge of a financial donation for the year that will allow us to continue our ministry on God's behalf. Please carefully read through this letter and the enclosed brochure. Then ask God to guide you in making a faithful decision about what your level of support will be.

We have come through a time of tremendous change, and we are continuing to feel those effects – in our work, our families, the world at large, and here at All Saints' Church. Through it all God has sustained us in ways we could not have imagined. God has been more than enough, even when we may not have felt up to the task.

The bread and fish in the image at the top of the page remind us of Jesus' feeding of the five thousand. The people who were following Jesus did not know where their meal would come from, but Jesus provided it. He made more of what they had to offer.

How has God fed you in this last year – spiritually, relationally, even physically? How has your faith in Christ sustained you even in the midst of so much change? How will you give thanks to God in tangible ways with your prayers and presence, your time, talent, and treasure?

All Saints' is blessed in so many ways with faithful, creative, and resourceful parishioners and staff. We do our best to be good stewards of all God has given us and entrusted to us. And we know that the life of our parish community, and the faith and love we find here, is sorely needed in the world around us.

The Vestry and I are asking you to make a strong and generous statement of support through your pledge this year. When we pledge, we are not just making a contribution to an organization. We are giving thanks to God for all God's gifts and blessings to us. We are participating in God's abundance of love and goodness which is always more than enough.

Your pledge of support means that All Saints' will be able to continue to be a community that nurtures your faith and connection to God, as well as reaching out to our surrounding communities.

If you have pledged in the past, thank you so much! Please consider what increase might be possible for you in 2023.

If you have not pledged before, or have not done so in a while, we invite you to express your faith, gratitude, and support by making a pledge – a tangible statement that also benefits others.

Every pledge is a statement of faith, hope, and trust in God. We are grateful for your pledge because it comes from you and is heartfelt. Please read the accompanying brochure and fill out the enclosed pledge form and return it to the Church by November 20th. You may also make a pledge through the secure portal on our church website: www.allsaintsmillington.org.

Thank you for sharing in God's abundant goodness and love with us as we build the future of this joyful community of faith in Christ!

Blessings,

The Rev. Victoria Geer McGrath, *Rector*

