LIVING GENEROUSLY

Dear Fellow Parishioner,

I'm honored to serve as the Stewardship Chair for this year's pledge drive at St. Peter's Church.

On Sunday, October 9, we will kick off our annual giving campaign: "Living Generously." In the weeks following, we will explore together how we can live more generously as individuals and as a community of faith. Living Generously is more than what we do with our financial resources — though that is important. To live generously, we are also called to be open to new ideas, to welcome the stranger, to volunteer often, and to forgive those who have offended us.

Your generosity, in response to the abundance in your life, will fund the mission and ministry of St. Peter's and transform lives.

Here is our roadmap for this year's pledge drive

- Beginning on Sunday, October 9, and continuing throughout the
 pledge drive, our Sunday bulletin will include reflections written
 by Episcopal leaders from across the country. These reflections
 will cover stewardship and faithful giving in connection with the
 Gospel reading of the day, and we will use them for prayer and
 study throughout the week.
- Each Sunday, we will hear stories of personal transformation through the practice of intentional giving from your fellow parishioners.
- On November 8, we will celebrate Commitment Sunday, the culmination of our exploration, when pledges will be completed and offered as an act of worship and in response to all that God has provided.

Bishop Itty and the vestry and stewardship ministry team have set a goal of receiving 100% of pledge commitments from our worshiping

community. We will be in intentional prayer that each of us will remain open to letting the Holy Spirit lead and guide us in a faithful response to being called to Live Generously.

Thank you for joining me as we consider how we can live more fully into a generous life. May our exploration open us to a new spirit of generosity.

Yours in Christ, William Crawford Stewardship Chair



They rise in the darkness as a light for the upright; they are gracious, merciful, and righteous. It is well with those who deal generously and lend, who conduct their affairs with justice.

For the righteous will never be moved; they will be remembered forever.

PSALM 112:4-6 (NRSV)