

# GOD THE GIVER

Dear Holy Trinity *Friends*

On Sunday, October 4<sup>th</sup>, we will kick off our annual giving campaign: "God the Giver". Over the next six weeks, we will explore together, how acknowledging God's generosity to us can unleash greater generosity in ourselves. God is the Giver, the ultimate lover of all God has created. Your generosity, in response to all God has given you, generates mission and changes lives.

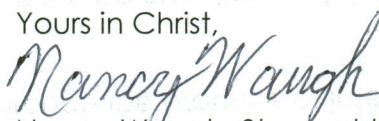
Here is our road map for the next six weeks of our *God the Giver* Campaign:

- Beginning on Sunday, October 4 and continuing through Sunday, November 8, you will find reflections written by Episcopal stewardship leaders across the country, covering stewardship and faithful giving in connection with the Gospel reading of the day in your worship bulletin.
- Each Sunday, from October 4<sup>th</sup> through November 8<sup>th</sup>, we will hear stories of personal transformation through the practice of intentional giving from your fellow parishioners.
- Pray over what your pledge will be over the next six weeks. You will receive a letter from Fr. Richard that will include a commitment card. Bring your commitment card to worship on Sunday, November 24<sup>th</sup>.
- On November 24<sup>th</sup>, 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.

We will pray that your giving will come from a deep abiding sense of gratitude for the gift of this community and the gift we have in Jesus, the one who does not leave our side. My life is enriched when I give not from a perspective of "what is my fair share," or even, "what can I afford"; rather, my faith comes alive when I give from a grace-filled and grateful heart. Giving generously gives me strength and hope for the journey ahead.

Thank you for joining me as we consider God's gifts to each of us. May our exploration open us to a deeper gratitude.

Yours in Christ,



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