

# all angels' church

Dear All Angels' Community,

At the end of each year, our community rhythm is to pause again to practice the spiritual discipline of acknowledging God as the provider of all good gifts and seeking God's help to follow Jesus with our money. In 2020, we invited you to go *All In* with us, encouraging those who were able to increase their pledges and inviting those who haven't before pledged to consider diving into our community life by estimating how much they can contribute annually and letting us know about it through a pledge card on **Dedication Sunday**. In October 2019, we couldn't have imagined how much this year would require of our parish. Global, national, and our own internal leadership crisis has demanded that we truly be All In. Many of you have continued your monthly gifts and are fulfilling your pledges even as the normal rhythms of passing of the offertory and in-person gathering have been entirely disrupted. We know that giving this year comes at great personal sacrifice for many, and we praise God that so many of you are experiencing the spiritual growth of giving in a time like this. If you've had to make different financial decisions this year, we see you too, and praise God that you are experiencing the freedom to be honest with your church community about where you are financially.

However you find yourself this year, the Stewardship Committee, Wardens, and Vestry are glad to invite you to participate in our 2021 annual pledge campaign, this year, under the call of All Angels All ***Together***. Together, 103 family units in our community pledged \$892,000 for the 2020 fiscal year. Together, we've come to see Facebook comments as sacred and learned to use Zoom for the purposes of God's kingdom life. Together, we've reached out for support when the days of isolation and the grief were too heavy. Together, we've mourned the lives that systemic racism continues to steal. Together, we raised over \$100,000 for the Psalm 91 fund. And together, we will move into 2021 trusting that, as Jimmy so beautifully reminded us last month, God will provide for us and through us. Manna from heaven sustains us this year, as it has throughout time.

We believe deeply that as we embrace this pledging season together, God will challenge us, renew us, embolden us, comfort us, and lead us into another season of joyful and earnest giving. ***Please join us in a season of prayerful consideration of your finances leading up to our next Dedication Sunday on November 29th, when you'll be asked to officially submit your pledge.*** You can submit your pledge at any time, and we encourage you to do so as soon as you are ready. We look forward to celebrating God's good gifts with you!

Let us know if you want support, more information, or prayer from the Stewardship Committee. You can reach us at [stewardship@allangelschurch.com](mailto:stewardship@allangelschurch.com)

Faithfully,  
The All Angels' Stewardship Committee