Plenty Good Room

And God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that by always having enough of everything, you may share abundantly in every good work.

2 Corinthians 9:8, NRSV

Dear Holy Trinity,

Jesus assures us, "In my Father's house there are many dwelling places" (John 14:2). These words remind us that God's abundance is spacious and generous. There is plenty of good room in God's household for each of us. This year's stewardship theme, Plenty Good Room, invites us to recognize the abundance God has already entrusted to us. Even in uncertain times, we are called to trust that there is enough: enough for our families, enough for our church, enough for our neighbors.

This has been another exciting year, and we have so many examples of God's abundance being poured out to Holy Trinity. Since my last stewardship letter, we hired Jenna Taliani as our Director of Youth & Family Ministries and Chris Spencer as our Facilities Manager. Members of Holy Trinity donated a new Advent Wreath Candelabra, Altar Desks, and additions to our Christmas Nativity Scene. Fellowship events continued to thrive, seeing the long-awaited return of the Talent/No-Talent Show, the addition of Karaoke to our Shrove Tuesday celebration, and a re-vamped Fall Kick-Off Hot Dog Luncheon. Outreach continues to be the heart and soul of this parish, seeing some of the largest turnouts at Laundry Love this summer and expanding our partnership with Ready for Life (a local non-profit that assists young adults aging out of the foster care system). We completed a long-deferred campus-wide tree trimming project and replaced two A/C systems, all without dipping into our investments or reserve funds. We converted to the new diocesan-sponsored property insurance program with Brown & Brown, saving us

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thousands in annual insurance premiums. Additionally, the newly approved changes to diocesan apportionment assessments (related to capital projects, improvements, and repairs) will provide Holy Trinity with significant savings. And last but certainly not least, our Thrift Shop continues to be a force to be reckoned with, setting new daily, monthly, and annual sales records.

God's abundance is clearly flowing to and through the Holy Trinity, giving us even more reasons to be grateful. Now it is your turn. How will you participate in God's abundance? One way we can participate is by sharing our resources – our money, our time, and our talents – to be partners in the mission and ministry of our congregation. Your gifts help support worship that lifts our hearts, teaching that shapes disciples, fellowship that strengthens our bonds, and outreach that embodies Christ's love. As you pray about how you will partner with us this year, think about how God is calling you to participate in God's overflowing abundance.

I invite you to review our updated 2027 Pledge Form and prayerfully consider how you will share with our church what you have received from God. It is our goal to collect everyone's pledge forms by **Sunday, November 22nd**, where all pledges will be blessed, and our entire stewardship campaign will be prayerfully offered to God as part of our Holy Eucharist. Together, let us rejoice that there is always plenty of good room in God's house, and plenty of good work for us to do.

In Christ+



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