

Episcopal Mission of Warren County



St. Francis Of Assisi



2 December 2018

*Based on the gift each one has received, use it to serve others, as good managers of the varied grace of God.
– 1 Peter 4:10*

By pledging financial gifts to the church, you help to fund the future of Christ's ministry through the congregations of the Episcopal Mission of Warren County. Return your completed pledge cards by December 23rd when we will celebrate them by blessing the gifts at our altars.

Funding the future begins with celebrating all the gifts that God has given us. 2018 brought us many gifts of God's grace:

- Trinity and St. Francis received new members in worship and ministry.
- Outreach and hospitality ministries grew as we took on new community meals and public events, expanded Sunday morning hospitality, offered more support for Christian fellowship amongst members and friends, and continued our many charity programs.
- Our youth ministries hit their stride with Children's Chapel, YAC (Youth Adventure Club), YAC Junior, the Acolyte program, and Confirmation creating positive communities for our younger members.

Funding the future of the church means helping us to continue to grow these vital, transforming ministries that bring the hope and love of Christ to our community as only we can. It also means providing the church the resources to do even more.

As much as pledging means funding the future of the church, we also believe that practicing giving to the church is bold action for one's spiritual life. Bringing God into our finances means his light shines in our pocketbooks and checkbooks. Pledging dispels the shadows that try to reduce us and enslave us in a world trapped by the lure of wealth as the sole determination of success. Pledge boldly to know a new spiritual freedom and joy.

Many believe that freedom comes the fullest when one tithes, or gives 10% of what God gives them. Take steps this year to grow your freedom and joy by increasing your gift incrementally on the path toward tithing.

It is from the freedom and joy of Jesus that so much has happened here. In faith we know so much more is coming. Help fund that future with your gift.

Yours in Christ,

A handwritten signature in cursive that reads "Matthew".

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