



**ST. PAUL'S**  
EPISCOPAL CHURCH  
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Dear Friends in Christ,

What an exciting time this is! We just celebrated our 134<sup>th</sup> anniversary. There's a wonderful energy on the campus as schools go back into session and ministries grow and flourish. We have new tenants on the campus. More people are attending services – online and in-person. This is a time of growth and revitalization. We are grateful to God for these blessings and grateful to you for your continued support of the church.

**INTRODUCING THIS YEAR'S ANNUAL GIVING CAMPAIGN**

It's time, again, to ask for your pledge to support St. Paul's. This time we're asking for pledges to help us continue our mission and ministry through 2024. The purpose of having an Annual Giving Campaign is three-fold:



Since founded in 1889, St. Paul's has been a source of comfort, strength, and inspiration.



St. Paul's continues to follow Jesus, worship ministries and welcome all.



Over 134 years and still growing strong. Dedicated to the mission and ministry of 134 more!

**Honoring the Past**

I offer my sincere appreciation to every one of you, and all who came before us, who started, supported, and served the church through donations, pledge payments, encouragement, ministry and prayer. We honor the past by recognizing the gifts we were given and appreciating all that we have. We owe a lot to the past support that brought us these wonderful ministries in the church we all love so much.

**Invigorating the Present**

Now we need to set our sights on preparing for the coming year. It is our hope that everyone who attends services online or at St. Paul's will offer a pledge to support the 134<sup>th</sup> year of our mission and ministry. This is our church, and we need your help. It takes the support of us all to keep things going and growing.

**Preparing for the Future**

We want to provide for the next generation, the opportunity to learn and grow in the knowledge and love of God through St. Paul's. We've come through 134 years, we look forward to at least 134 more!

**THE THEME OF THIS YEAR'S CAMPAIGN IS Rooted in Abundance**

Like a tree planted by a stream, we have been watered by the people's generosity and God's amazing grace. We give out of our gratitude for all we have received. We give of our first fruits remembering that God is the source of all abundance and that what we have is meant to be shared. With this in mind, we pray that God will continue to bless this church and all who attend it; today and always.

**MAKING A PLEDGE:**

Making a pledge is easy... *and so very important!* Please complete the pledge card or simply call or email the information to us. If you're ready now, great! Please don't put it off, do it right away. If you need some time to think and pray about it, that's no problem. On Sunday, Nov. 5<sup>th</sup>, we'll gather and bless the pledges and move forward with our budget planning.

With **LOVE** in Christ,

**The Rev. Susan Bek,**  
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