## THIS YEAR You Made All The Difference. Thank you.



### Dear Friends,

It is hard to imagine that when I wrote to you this time last year, we were only six months into the Covid-19 pandemic. A year later we are still wrestling with the consequences of this once-a-century public health crisis. At every twist and turn, however, our community has risen to the challenges we have faced and remained steadfast, demonstrating not only your grit and resilience, but a profound faith and real sense of hope. You have, through your care for one another, allowed us to return to in person worship and fellowship, and continue to find spiritual nourishment in our pattern of online daily worship. Jesus teaches us that we are loved abundantly and without limit and you have shown through your unwavering and generous financial support that sense of thanksgiving that sits at the heart of the Christian faith. I pray that we will meet what lies ahead with that same sense of abundance, both in terms of how we might give of our time, talent, and treasure, and how we expect to receive of the same from our neighbors and from Our Lord.

Faithfully yours,

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# MAKING A DIFFERENCE TOGETHER



ANNUAL STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN 2022



## ST. IGNATIUS OF ANTIOCH Episcopal Church

#### IN THESE DIFFICULT TIMES,

parishioners and friends near and far have expressed their thanksgiving for the community of Saint Ignatius of Antioch by giving their time and treasure to our common life and worship. This time last year, we reported to you on the financial fallout from the departure of our tenant of 30 years, and you responded. In fact, 50% of your pledges were either new or increases over 2020, and the number of people enrolled in direct debit payment rose to an unprecedented level. This steady income gave us confidence as we paid our monthly bills, and was an inspiring sign of your faithful commitment. Thanks to your generosity, combined with prudent budget measures, government pandemic relief, and reductions in our Diocesan assessment, we have come through 2021 in a stronger financial position than we dared to hope for a year ago.





OUR PLEDGING GOAL FOR 2022 is \$220,000, and reaching this level will require each of us to do our part.

Pledging is an expression of our gratitude to God for all the blessings of this life. With prayerful reflection on God's bounty, please make the most generous pledge you can for 2022, whether you tithe or simply consider a 10% increase in your current giving. We would also ask you to please consider making your contribution on a monthly basis through automatic bank debits or PayPal. As THE VESTRY PLANS THE 2O22 BUDGET, we anticipate both challenges and hope. This past year, the Vestry spent time both looking at our expenses and discussing ways to enhance our revenue. Even with new sources of income, however, pledges from you, our community, remain the single largest source of funding to meet our rising costs. Your renewed commitment to Saint Ignatius of Antioch will make a truly significant impact as we plan for a full year of programming, worship, music, outreach and more.

### In gratitude,

Abigail Franklin & Holly Hughes, Wardens

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