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“Are your ears awake? Listen. Listen to the Wind Words,  
the Spirit blowing through the churches.” Revelation 3:6 (The Message)

With the pace of events so far this year, we can't help but feel the rush of the Spirit surrounding us, flowing through us, and pushing us on further into where God is sending us – our mission. Mission is a thankful response to God's gifts for us. It begins with prayer, opening ourselves to receive and acknowledge the gifts for ministry, listening for guidance and how to use those gifts, and responding with thanks for the opportunity to reveal the kingdom of God in love and service.

We are grateful for all the gifts of time, talent, and treasure offered by our Parish family and our community partners. As a reflection of that gratitude, the theme for our Stewardship Approach this year is 'Thanksgiving'. During Sunday morning worship on November 19<sup>th</sup>, we lead discussions to talk about mission, gratitude, opportunities, concerns and needs for you as individuals and as a parish family.

This package is a supplement to those discussions to help further your discernment. Included in your package is a Narrative Budget, a thanksgiving prayer handout, and resources from the May 2023 Diocesan Synod to help us discern how we are formed to be disciples, what our parish culture is, and the fullness of life in our neighbourhoods in order to help us respond in gratitude, love and service.

The package will also include an Intention Card – we ask you to prayerfully consider how you can respond in gratitude to God's abundance in support of where the Spirit is guiding us. We invite you to return the Intention card by hand or by mail by the end of the year. If you have any questions, please speak with me, the Ven. Nancy or your wardens.

In Christ's service,

Rev. Trish Miller, Incumbent