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Dear Siblings in Christ,


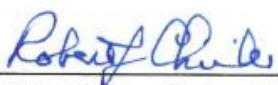

As we walk together into the unfolding story of 2026, we find ourselves called anew to reflect on the divine truths that nurture our lives: *God's steadfast love, our grateful response, and the call to generous living*. The Apostle Paul reminds us that "God loves a cheerful giver" (2 Corinthians 9:7), and so we embrace this season of stewardship not merely as an act of giving, but as a sacred response to the grace we have received.

The work of stewardship begins with a posture of gratitude. It is gratitude that transforms our hearts, aligns our priorities, and opens our hands to give generously. When we give, we are participating in the divine economy—a generous outpouring of love that sustains our church, nurtures the growth in Christ of all ages, and reaches out into our community with compassion and hope.

The theme for this year—**God, Gratitude, & Generosity**—invites us to reflect on the profound truth that our response to God's grace is best expressed through open-handed living. This is not merely about financial giving, though that is vital. It is about asking a series of discerning questions (through the ABC's of stewardship): *What is God making you **aware** of? Who does God want you to **be**? How does God want you to **commit**?*

We invite each of you to prayerfully consider how your God-given gifts can help shape the life and witness of St. David's. Whether in supporting our programs that deepen the faith of all our members, young and old alike, or strengthening our worship and outreach, your generosity fuels our shared mission of love, justice, and holiness. Thank you for your faithful partnership in Christ's work. May this 2026 Stewardship Season renew our spirits and deepen our striving "to become a church that looks and acts like Jesus."

Faithfully in gratitude,

  
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