All One

Key Dates:

October 30 - Annual Giving 2023 Begins
November 6 - All Saints’ Sunday
November 13 - Annual Parish Meeting at 10:30
November 20 - Christ the King Sunday &
   Pledge Ingathering
   Special Coffee at 10:30 in the Churchyard

In the Tower hangs the bell given to the parish by James Tarpley in 1761. He and countless others came before us.

The sound of the bell reminds us that we are all one—with God, with them, and with one another. It calls us back and moves us forward.

Your pledge helps Bruton Parish continue and grow in love and service to the world. Every single pledge is appreciated, valued and important to the whole.

Pledge online at bit.ly/BPCPLEDGE2023
Questions & Answers

What is pledging?
Pledging is committing to a giving amount for next year. It is making a best estimate with intent to fulfill it. Our pledges combine to inform the controller, treasurer, finance committee, and vestry to make sound financial plans.

How will my pledge be used?
Revenue from pledges goes to all that we are and do as a faith community. Our clergy, lay staff, buildings and grounds, worship, ministries, and outreach are all supported by your pledge.

How do I begin a practice of pledging?
Think in terms of a proportion of the income you receive, either weekly, monthly or yearly. The biblical standard is a tithe, or 10%. Start with a percentage that is reasonable for you such as 2.5%. If you have achieved that, work towards stepping up another 2.5 percent each year.

A Look at Projected 2023 Finances

Proposed Revenue: $1,821K
Annual Giving by the parish will provide $1,248,000 or 69% of total revenue.

Proposed Expenses: $1,821K
as allocated here
Ways of Giving

By check or cash
By mail or in the offering plate. Offering envelopes are not required. Cash may be placed in a plain envelope. Write your name on the front and we’ll apply the amount toward your pledge.

Direct payments
Banks offer this service known as Bill Pay. Add Annual Fund on the memo line, and we’ll apply the amount to your pledge.

Online Giving
Visit our online giving platform called Abundant.

https://abundant.co/brutonparishchurch/give

It allows for use of a credit card, debit card, or secure electronic transfer (ACH). It offers a recurring gift option, on the schedule of your choice. You may opt to cover the additional processing fee (2.5%) at the time of transaction. You may also use Abundant by texting Bruton to 73256.

Gifts of Stock
To the Bruton Parish Church brokerage account at Fidelity Investments. Donate appreciated securities or mutual funds held longer than one year and receive a tax deduction without paying capital gains tax. Provide your broker these transfer instructions:

Account Name: Bruton Parish Episcopal Church
Fidelity Investments DTC #0226
Brokerage Account #X90-766745
Your Name

When you initiate a stock transfer, please contact Marty Easton, who will watch for the shares and sell them promptly.
**Gifts from an IRA**

Those 70.5 years or better may make a Qualified Charitable Distribution directly from an IRA. For those taking the standard deduction, it is a real benefit, because, in effect, you get a deduction over and above the standard deduction. Provide your IRA custodian this information for sending a check: Bruton Parish Church, P. O. Box 3520, Williamsburg, VA, 23187-3520, Attn: Finance Office, EIN # 54-0519571, and Your Name.

*The information above is not intended as legal or tax advice. For such advice, please consult an attorney or tax advisor.*

Statements are sent periodically during the year. You may request one at any time.

If you choose to pre-pay a pledge in the fourth quarter of 2022, please indicate this when making the gift.

For further information, to discuss your preferences for fulfilling a pledge, or to request a personal visit, please contact our Development Director, Marty Easton at 757-345-2256 or email measton@brutonparish.org

**Vestry Members**

Colly Burgwyn; Chris Chavez; Margaret Driscoll, Register; Bill Dugge, Junior Warden; Ginny Elwell; Sara Fogarty; Dick Hodgson; Alex Maneval; Sally McConnell; Melinda Morgan, Senior Warden; Leith Mullaly; Lynn Smyth; Steve Hibbits, Treasurer

**Members of the Clergy**

The Rev’d Christopher Epperson, Rector
The Rev’d Charles Bauer, Assoc. Rector—Christian Formation
The Rev’d Lauren McDonald, Assoc. Rector—Outreach & Women’s Ministries
The Ven. Jan Brown, Archdeacon

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