"You are the light of the world."

- Matthew 5:14-16

We want to start by saying THANK YOU! Last year's pledge campaign exceeded our wildest expectations: the total amount pledged was over 20% higher than the year before for a total of $726,805 pledged, and the number of households pledging increased from 190 to 217. WOW!

Despite this good news, our world is often a bewildering place and many of us worry about the future. Yet ***Light is at work at All Saints***. Here we forge relationships, steward our resources, serve our neighbors through ministries, and find new ways to deepen faith.

Last year, we needed to grow our giving to match our growing community, and you delivered. This year, we ask you to begin or continue your generous pledge to support our shared community. With your help, we will continue to bring colorful light to a world in need of more love, more connection, more peace, and more stories of God's grace.

Here's where we shine our light:

- **Each Other:** Through small groups, fellowship, caring for others
- **Neighbors:** Through feeding, advocating, partnering, sharing with others
- **Creation:** Through environmental action, growing gardens, and celebrating all creation
- **Young People:** Through our church school programs, youth groups, and mentoring
- **City:** Through faithful witness, advocating for housing and mental health resources, and civic involvement
- **World:** Through cake auctions and partnering with the dioceses in Mexico and Sudan

In this uncertain economic environment, we acknowledge people are facing different challenges. We ask everyone to start or continue to make a pledge that reflects your ability to give. With your help, we will continue to make sure Light is at Work at All Saints. Please join us on this journey.

Gratefully,

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Pledge Committee

The pledge portal opens on October 11! *Go to allsaintschicago.org/give.*