

STEWARDSHIP 2021 |

# PRACTICE THE TITHE

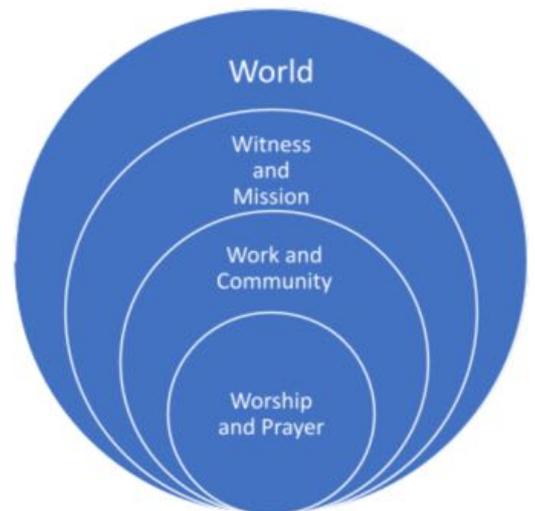
ST. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL



## Faith Filled Generosity

***Save the date: July 11, 2021***

Summer is here and we're entering our post-covid future; but what will that look like? While the future is uncertain, we know God will lead us, we've come this far by faith. We also know, as the community of Jesus followers at St. John's Cathedral, certain things will remain constant. To remember what they are, think of four Ws.



## Worship and Prayer

The heartbeat of our life is the Eucharist, the central act of public worship and the source of our life together in Christ. Second to that is common prayer both communally and individually. We have continued throughout the Pandemic to celebrate Eucharist and the offices of Morning and Evening Prayer both digitally and thankfully, once again in person. All the while, we have had the steady sound of beautiful music encouraging and strengthening us. At the root of the word Eucharist is thanksgiving. We receive everything from the Lord's hand and gratefully return our thanks in our praise and in our giving from the fruit of our life and labor.

## Work and Community

Joining together as the community of Christ takes work. We give of our time and our talents in various ways at St. John's. This past year has changed our ability to be together, to come to know one another, and to offer gifts for service. In the coming months, you will again be invited to join in the work of service and community building. To forge new and renewed bonds of common life we will have shared lunches once a month after the 9:00 mass this summer. We continue to be formed as Christians through outstanding educational offerings led not only by our clergy but by outstanding guest speakers from around the country via our Zoom connections.

## Witness and Mission

As we are formed as Christ's body we can't help but give witness to his love through our outreach programs, such as our food pantry, children's chorus, the evangelism of online services, and educational opportunities available for free to anyone who visits us digitally. We are exploring ways we can work together to be better neighbors in our community, especially as we look to partner with a neighborhood school (more on that as we get closer to fall).

## World

The heart of our mission is our witness to the love of Jesus in the world by our presence on Adams Blvd. since 1880. Your faith-filled generosity is an essential element of the work of Christ in us and as his partners in redeeming and repairing the world.

## Step out in faith-filled generosity

So we ask you to take a step of faith this summer. Take 10% of your income for one-week and offer it in thanksgiving, in addition to your pledge to St. John's, to practice the ancient discipline of the tithe. You may not be able to do that every week, but let's walk together in faith as God's partners for a new work of witness to the world.

Here's how to do it: (1) Determine your weekly income; (2) Take 10% of that amount; (3) Place your donation online through our website [www.stjohnsla.org](http://www.stjohnsla.org) and select "**Practice the Tithe**". or you can also place your donation in person, on July 11; there will be envelopes on the welcome table.

