

Faith in Action

King's Chapel 64 Beacon Street

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Dear King's Chapel members and friends,

It's that time of year when we enjoy the last fruits of New England's harvest: squash in every shape and color, hardy greens, crisp apples of all types. Guided both by nature's age-old ways and changing conditions, attentive farmers spent weeks coaxing the best from the crop before this produce arrived at our table.

A few weeks ago at a King's Chapel worship service, our new Assistant Minister Sam Holland asked, "How do we bear the fruit of God's kingdom?" It is a question that is central to Christianity and one which underpins much of our work at King's Chapel. We recently heard from three members of the congregation about how King's Chapel has allowed this fruit to be born in them; if you missed their remarks, access them by scanning the QR code at right. Some find comfort and grounding in the constancy of the King's Chapel liturgy. Others appreciate the spiritual framework that King's Chapel



provides for working toward social and climate justice. Still others have made years-long friendships among a loving community that gathers to discuss scripture, break bread, honor history, and celebrate life's milestones.

Much like a farmer stewards the earth over months and years, these speakers remind us that stewardship of our church requires constant care. As a person who finds spiritual sustenance at King's Chapel, you are called to sustain our church's mission with your meaningful gift to Stewardship by December 31—or sooner! We know that many have made a gift or pledge this year toward our \$300,000 goal, and some choose to give year-round; we are grateful for your generosity. Your financial investment in Stewardship yields rich fruit in the form of educational programs serving our congregation and thousands of visitors, dedicated clergy and staff, welcoming historic buildings, awe-inspiring music, new livestreaming capabilities, in-person gatherings to promote deeper fellowship, and much more. As so many King's Chapel members have done over decades of abundance and economic challenge, we hope you might take this moment to "test the soil," reflect on what King's Chapel means to you, and act accordingly to ensure the church's continued strength.

Please return the enclosed envelope and pledge card at your earliest convenience. Or, make a pledge or gift via our website, <u>kings-chapel.org/stewardship</u>. Thank you, once again, for allowing the King's Chapel community to bear the fruit of God's kingdom through your generous participation in Stewardship.

With gratitude from your Stewardship Committee, Alison LaRosa (Chair), Michael Bergeron, Gregg Sorensen

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