



ST. DAVID'S

Episcopal Church and School



October 26, 2019

Dear Friends,

November 17, 2019, will be *Taking the Next Step* Sunday for our *Taking the Next Step* annual stewardship emphasis at St. David's Episcopal Church and School. We urge you to plan accordingly and mark your calendars.

This will be a biblical, spiritual, inspirational campaign designed to enrich our understanding of Christian Stewardship. The focus of this approach is not built on the need of the church to fund a budget, but on the need of each person to contribute from their resources as a part of his or her own spiritual maturity and discipleship of Christ. Sometimes, we have measured too much of our success on whether or not we could underwrite a particular budget. For this year and for years to come, we will measure success by how the people of St. David's Episcopal Church and School are willing to take the next step in their giving. Instead of strictly emphasizing commitments to a budget, we are asking each person to consider taking a step up in their giving as their response to all that God has done for them.

The process of receiving everyone's financial decision will be somewhat different than from previous years. We will not be mailing Estimate of Giving Cards in advance of *Taking the Next Step* Sunday. Instead, we will have cards available in the service that day. Those who are not in attendance will have an opportunity to respond during the two weeks thereafter.

You are invited, as people who care about the life and ministry of our church, to plan now to attend worship on *Taking the Next Step* Sunday, November 17, 2019, to make your response. It will be a special time together! I look forward to seeing you there.

Grace and Peace,

Brian Kates, Chairperson