

OUR MISSION

*To be a welcoming Christian community
of faith: loving and forgiving,
questioning and learning, inviting and
serving*

Dear parishioners and friends,

November 30, 2021

This year, the members of the Vestry are working together as the Stewardship Committee. We respectfully ask that you join with us to help St. John's in the Mountains be prepared for the future and to continue our commitment to spreading the good news of Jesus Christ in Stowe, Hyde Park, Waterbury, Morristown, Johnson, and throughout the rest of the Stowe region and beyond.

The Vestry members have pledged their time, talent, and treasure for our work for 2021, and for this 2022 Stewardship Campaign. We started by answering Father Rick's thought question: "What is your passion in life and how does St. John's in the Mountains fuel, feed and support you in faith to live your passion?"

The Vestry members' responses echo a common thread of passion for community and how we live out the church's mission for being a welcoming Christian community. You can find recordings of their individual response on the St. John's website.

We invite you to make your own answer about your passions and how St. John's missions support them.

St. John's will be busy in 2022. We'll complete the installation of our 'hybrid service' equipment. This will make it possible to have two-way communication during the service. Father Rick will be on sabbatical from early July to early November. See the recent newsletter for more details. We will carry on with our missions with some help from supply clergy. And our hope is that COVID-19 will recede during 2022 so we can come back to a 'normal' life together.

The Vestry will begin holding multiple conversations with the parish in early January of 2022 to discuss some of the changes for 2022 and the long-term financial goals for St. John's in the Mountains, and will continue the dialog into the Parish's Annual Meeting.

Pledge cards are included with this letter.

Thank you for your prayerful consideration.

The Stewardship Committee

Maria Davies, Dick Kraemer, Courtney Olmsted, Bill Robinson, Jerry Wood, and
Rev. Rick Swanson

Look at the other side of this letter to see recent Parish pictures.