

LED BY THE LORD

Old Pine Stewardship Campaign



And God says, "My word goes out from my mouth and does not return to me empty, but will accomplish what I desire ... You will go out in joy and be led forth in peace."

Isaiah 55:11-12

DEAR MEMBERS & FRIENDS OF OLD PINE:

As we write this letter, the Phillies are leading the NLCS, the Eagles are 5-1, and the Union are in the playoffs. It's a good time to be a Philadelphia sports fan! It's also a wonderful time to be part of Old Pine Street Presbyterian Church. This summer we finished a 5-year long building project that has completely transformed our church building. It has been a long journey for everyone involved. But the results speak for themselves. The church looks and feels amazing!



We have also seen a wonderful resurgence of in-person events. We've gathered for trips, retreats, classes, weddings, baptisms, a confirmation, and worship. On Easter, we welcomed a new member class of 18 people!





We also want to acknowledge that in the past year our congregation has suffered painful losses of many beloved friends. The deaths of Ilse Poindexter, Jim Straw, Ann Eck, Barbara Rittenhouse, Jim McClelland, David Rich, and Doug Cox have left a void among us. When we gathered at the funerals of these friends, it was a powerful reminder of the irreplaceable purpose of the church: to support people at all stages of life and, when death comes, to celebrate them, pray for them, and tell stories about them so that the next generation can be blessed by their memory.

Will you join us in making sure that Old Pine can continue to be a vital source of community and spiritual growth? Each fall, we make pledges indicating our financial commitment to Old Pine for the following year. We do this together, placing our pledge cards in a common bowl, during worship on what we call Consecration Sunday. The service is followed by a delicious catered meal.



This year, Consecration Sunday is November 12.

We urge you to plan now to attend the two important events of this day: Sunday morning worship and the Celebration Luncheon immediately following worship in the Community Center gym. This is a catered meal, paid for by the Stewardship Committee. All you need to do is show up!

We ask that you make every effort to attend church on **November 12**. We will not give out or ask for pledge cards before this date. **Please RSVP today** by placing a hard copy RSVP **card in the offering plate** OR **scan the QR code below**. We look forward to seeing you on November 12 and we thank God for your presence in our community!

Sincerely,

The Stewardship Committee

Jen Hall (chair), Megan Steelman, Boston Gordon, Mark McClurg, and Pastors Jason and Rebecca



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