



# Glad & Generous Hearts

2024 ANNUAL GIVING

Dear Holy Comforter Family,

We are the Weathers family, and we are honored to serve as the leaders of this year's Annual Giving Campaign. This year's campaign is aptly named "Glad and Generous Hearts," and we wanted to start by expressing our enormous thanks for the time, talents, treasures, and prayers that every "Glad and Generous Heart" has shared with Holy Comforter. Your contributions are what makes our church the incredibly special place that it is, Thank You!!

We are fortunate to have such a vibrant and invested community at Holy Comforter, however our parish has not been immune to the downward trend in church membership and pledging that is happening across the United States. Last year we were forced to conduct a second ask to help close a large budget gap. We know this is not ideal, and not a habit we want to continue, but we need your help!

Our goal for 2024 is to reach 200 pledges totaling \$850,000. Last year we received 185 pledges for a total of \$835,000 (after the second ask), so while our 2024 goal is ambitious, it is realistic and achievable! As a reminder, a pledge is a commitment to God and Holy Comforter to give a specified amount to the church regularly over the course of the year. The pledges are then used to determine our annual ministry budget, which funds everything from staff and programs to utilities and property taxes.

Please submit your 2024 pledge on or before Commitment Sunday on **November 12th** by returning the enclosed envelope to church or by going to the website at [holycomfortercharlotte.org/pledge-now/](https://holycomfortercharlotte.org/pledge-now/). For every new or increased pledge, Fr. Greg makes a \$10 contribution from his Discretionary Fund, as well as a \$1 personal gift for a charity chosen by our Outreach Circle Group. In 2023, this contribution totaled \$1,452, shared between the **Episcopal Relief & Development Ukraine Crisis Response Fund** and **QC Family Tree!**



From our family to yours, thank you for all you do to support the Holy Comforter community. Your generosity has made a tremendous impact to every member of our church family, both within our walls and far beyond.

With Gratitude and Love,

Liz, Jonathan, James (10) and Carly (7) Weathers

2024 Annual Giving Campaign Leaders