

September 13, 2026

Dear Calvary Family and Friends,

We make a living by what we get, but we make a life by what we give. – Winston Churchill

This week we begin Calvary's Annual Stewardship Appeal. What your stewardship committee has been considering is not only the appeal of money or making a budget for next year, but nurturing God's kingdom by showing kindness and love to all of God's people.



This year Calvary's giving goal is \$210,000 and a challenge for your increased participation in the life of the church.

We witness God's stewards at Calvary throughout the year. We are alive serving our church, our families, friends and communities. We are keeping Calvary's building functioning, facilitating worship, serving those worshipping at home, blessing others with music, forming the faithful, caring for the altar, caring for others with meals, prayers, phone calls and get well cards; we serve in our community and around the world.

We can do all things because we are God's stewards and we COMMIT ourselves to God's work in this part of His kingdom.

Yes, our stewardship commitment is about living our lives to a much higher calling. We know all our gifts are part of our stewardship, which draws us closer to our Lord. As we move into Calvary's Annual Stewardship Appeal, we ask you to PRAY about YOUR STEWARDSHIP.

"Dearest Lord, teach me to be generous; teach me to serve you, as you deserve; to give and not count the cost." (Ignatius of Loyola)

Your Stewardship Committee,

Jeri Kellan & Grant Iannelli

Freely you have received, freely you shall give

How does my financial stewardship help?

Many of us are unaware of how our financial pledge is put to use. Below is a list of essential budget items that your financial giving supports and what was budgeted for this year.

- Salary for Rector - \$61,600.00, depending on new hire
- Building and Grounds – \$30,000.00
- Insurance - \$31,245.00
- Outreach - Diocese - \$18,200.00
- Utilities - \$13,750.00
- Salary for Music Director - \$15,075.00
- Salary for Parish Administrator - \$14,000.00
- Worship - \$3,000.00

How else can I grow to be God's Steward in these areas?

Sharing our gifts in these areas is equally important to keep them thriving. If you feel called to any of these ministries and wish to grow your stewardship, please reach out to the individuals listed below:

Welcome – Carol Halla

Events/Outreach – Gessika Campanati

Music/Choir – Holly Herber

Buildings and Grounds – Stephenie and Donald Castle

Formation- Marilyn Stein

Finance and Treasurer – Lisa Pardue

Coffee Hour, Lay Readers, Acolytes, Chalice Bearer – Jennifer Hentrich



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Calvary
EPISCOPAL CHURCH

*Reflecting Christ's Image
Through Love, Inclusion, and Service*

STEWARDSHIP APPEAL 2027

FINANCIAL COMMITMENT

In thanksgiving for God's gifts, I/we plan to give

\$ _____ weekly
or \$ _____ monthly
or \$ _____ annually

in 2027, for the work of Calvary Episcopal Church.

_____ Please order weekly giving envelopes for me/us.
_____ I have remembered Calvary in my will.
_____ I am interested in remembering Calvary in my will.
_____ I have made Calvary a beneficiary of a life insurance policy

Almighty God, we thank You for all the gifts You have given us: our lives, our loved ones, all that we have and all that we are. Most of all, we thank You for Jesus, your Son and our Redeemer, who came among us to show us the way to eternal life. Jesus was the perfect steward of your gifts, showing that complete trust in You is necessary, and that giving of self is a most important part of following Him. May the offerings of our time, our talents, and our material resources be made in the same spirit of sacrifice that Jesus taught us by His life and death for us. Amen. —*Thomas Merton*

Signature(s)

Date

Name(s) printed

Addresses

Email(s)

(If each adult has his or her own telephone number/email please include it if you would like it listed in the next directory.)

THANK YOU! *Your pledge ensures that we have the resources to support current programs and plan for new blessings and ministries that bring the kingdom of God to our community.*

Volunteer Commitment – Please circle any area you would like to participate in or learn more about:

Altar Guild	Ministry to the Sick	Server/Acolyte
Coffee Setup/Cleanup	Music/Choir	Social Events
Evangelism/prayer team	Nursery	Sunday School
Formation	Outreach	Video/Sound
Maintenance/Repair	Lay Reader	Welcome

PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM TO THE CHURCH OFFICE BY OCTOBER 25, 2026

MAIL IT TO 105 W. MAPLE, LOMBARD, IL 60148, OR

PLACE IT IN THE OFFERING PLATE, OR

EMAIL IT TO OFFICE@CALVARYLOMBARD.ORG OR

SET UP YOUR PLEDGE ONLINE AT WWW.CALVARYLOMBARD.ORG/DONATE OR

USE THE QR CODE TO ACCESS THE WEB ON YOUR SMART PHONE



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