

## MORNINGSIDE-HIGH PARK PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Dear Friends at Morningside-High Park Church,

What a year this has been! It is difficult to even comprehend how different the world is from the last time the Stewardship team communicated with you. Then, we were introducing our annual financial commitment campaign with the theme:

'Freely you have received; freely give!' (Matthew 10:8b)

As we rolled this theme out, we had no idea of how true it would be.

While COVID 19 has brought fear and hardship, it has been overshadowed by generousity and service and hope. This is particularly true at Morningside High Park Church. Our members and adherents have been truly generous in sharing their time and talent and treasure in the service of our congregation and community. We could not have done it without you.

As we come to the end of the year it is with the hope of a vaccine and the prayer that by this time next year we will be able to fully and freely worship in person and interact together in safety. There is still a long way to go but it feels like there is a light at the end of the tunnel.

I am writing today to thank you for your generous support of our church this past year. Your gifts are genuinely appreciated. I would like to remind you that if you wish to make any year end or special gifts to the church that the books close on December 31, 2020. The end of December is also the best time to donate stocks or other securities. Please remember that in addition to dropping off your gifts that you can use etransfer, Pre-authorized remittance (PAR) or tithely to support the church.

As we finish the year, on behalf of Rev. Janet, the Session and Board I would like to wish you a Blessed Christmas and a joyous New Year. Thank you for your love of Morningside High Park and God's richest blessings as we minister together.

Faithfully John-Peter Smit for the Stewardship Team