



This new view of Trinity Church Wall Street, photographed by Leo Sorel, was taken from the Bank of New York building, looking northwest across Broadway (bottom right). Until Sept. 11, 2001, the South Tower of the World Trade Center dwarfed both the church and the office buildings directly behind it. Trinity Church, built in 1846, proved a trendsetter for 19th-century Episcopal church architecture throughout the United States. To help meet the demand for the Gothic Revival style, Trinity's architect, Richard Upjohn, would later publish a book of designs and working drawings for small churches, much like a Sears catalogue.

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*Sunday*

8:00 AM Holy Eucharist & Sermon St. Paul's Chapel

9:00 & 11:15 AM Holy Eucharist & Sermon Trinity Church

*Monday–Friday*

8:15 AM Morning Prayer Trinity Church (All Saints' Chapel)

12:05 PM Holy Eucharist Trinity Church

5:15 PM Evening Prayer Trinity Church (All Saints' Chapel)

*Monday–Saturday*

12:30 PM Interdenominational Prayers St. Paul's Chapel

*Thursday*

12:30 PM Laying of Hands Trinity Church for Healing (All Saints' Chapel)

Trinity Church is located on Broadway at Wall Street (with All Saints' Chapel toward the rear); St. Paul's Chapel is located at Broadway and Fulton Street.

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## The Ways We Give

When a church is blessed with an endowment, as Trinity is, teaching good stewardship is a distinct challenge. Unlike parishes whose day-to-day programs depend on pledges, the need for giving is often not self-evident to parishioners. As a consequence, those of us at Trinity must consciously and deliberately learn stewardship, and we are perhaps challenged more than others to introduce our people to the theology of what it is to be a good steward of God's creation.

In my 17 years as rector of Trinity Wall Street, this challenge has forced us to discern the difference between four concepts of giving: charity, philanthropy, fund-raising, and stewardship.

Charity was profoundly experienced by those of us at Trinity and St. Paul's Chapel after 9/11. It is a response to a crisis or an immediate need. It sees the victims and their needs and responds with gift-giving. The heroic efforts of the Red Cross bespeak volumes about this form of giving.

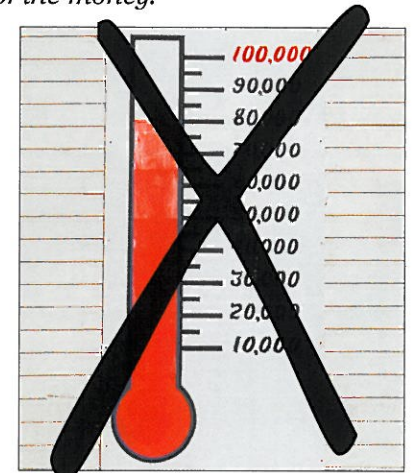
Philanthropy, on the other hand, is like an investment. It is the act of giving money for a specific reason with the intention of improving the welfare of a community or an organization over the long term. The recipient is obliged to show results. It has some of the characteristics of an investment, as if it were a loan from a bank officer. Reports are required on how the money was spent, including periodic progress reports so additional grants might be made.

Fund-raising asks us to give to a project such as a building or a capital investment, but rarely to an annual budget. The average parish is sometimes tempted to teach fund-raising rather than stewardship. It is a necessary procedure for developing hospitals, schools, and the arts. But

if it becomes the norm for raising the annual parish budget, it profoundly diminishes the theology of the old liturgical words at the offertory, "All things come of thee O Lord and of thine own have we given thee."

Stewardship in our culture is a radically different way of thinking about giving. Charity, philanthropy, and fund-raising all treat the individual as the owner of the money.

Stewardship on the other hand treats God as the owner, and the giver as one who simply returns a portion of what God has given. The Church in its theology offers each of us an opportunity to give out of gratitude. Stewardship is giving with no strings attached. It is related to creation and my place in it. The church says to its people: "God is giving you a chance to give God a gift because you delight in God's very existence and the blessings in your life." When a parish has an endowment, it has a two-edged sword. It can discourage parishioners from giving. However, it can also help us to see that the need to give is not a result of the church's need for money. It is rather our need to give. And we call it stewardship!



*Daniel Paul Matthews*