



St. Paul's
EPISCOPAL CHURCH
221 UNION ST | CARY, NC

November 1, 2023

Dear Friends,

ST. NICHOLAS DAY WILL SOON BE HERE!

Our tradition at St. Paul's is to provide gifts for children by selecting name tags from a tree in the narthex and bringing those gifts to church on St. Nicholas Day. Our tree will be up on November 12, and we would like to invite you to participate. Select a name tag from the tree and bring your gifts on December 3 as St. Nicholas makes his annual visit to St. Paul's during both the 9 and 11:15 a.m. services!

Here are some details:

- Tags with **red ribbons** are undesignated gift requests to serve members of Healing Transitions. These will be selected by program participants to gift to their child and should be **unwrapped**. Place items in one bag or box and attach your tag with the adhesive label. (Gift wrap and supplies are gladly accepted).
- Tags with **white ribbons** are for gifts and necessary items to serve Healing Transitions and West Haven. Please **wrap** multiple gifts together in one outer box and secure the tag to the outside.
- If you wish to provide for a family, there will be tags bundled together on a smaller tree serving families from West Haven and St. Paul's Refuge for Refugees Ministry. Tag all gifts, wrapped or unwrapped.
- **Gift Cards:** St. Nicholas' Ministry will gladly accept cash donations for Food Lion gift cards to serve CommWell Health families. Please make checks payable to St. Paul's and write "St. Nicholas" in the memo line. Drop your donation in the denoted box near the tree or mail them to St. Paul's.

Remember, Dec. 3 is the day gifts will be given to St. Nicholas; if you will not be in attendance that day, please bring your gift **prior** to that date. Any donations received after that day will be used next year. Don't forget to secure your tag to your gifts.

Gifts will serve the following agencies:

CommWell Health- serving migrant families of seasonal farm workers.

Healing Transitions- providing services and shelter in Wake County for those seeking recovery from addiction.

West Haven (formerly Episcopal Housing Ministry)- providing affordable housing in our local area.

Refuge for Refugees- providing assistance to St. Paul's sponsored refugee families.

Please call, text, or email Colette Hibberd with any questions: 919-803-9828, hibberdfamily@yahoo.com.

Seeing the generosity of this community on St. Nicholas Day is something I look forward to every year. Plan to join us if you can.

The Rev. George Adamik
Rector