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Dear Friends:

I am writing as summer begins to update you on some aspects of our life and mission. I applaud and celebrate all of you for your continued faithfulness throughout this strange and challenging time and give thanks that this congregation has continued our strong mission focus throughout!

I would like to update you on a number of things.

1. All things Covid-19 related: Much of the Cathedral community has been vaccinated at this point. Please continue to encourage others to get vaccinated, if they are able. As we have successfully returned to in-person/indoor (and outdoor) worship, please know that we continue to behave responsibly for the well-being of all. The Cathedral and Sayre Hall have been cleaned and have had filtration systems installed to better clean the air as it circulates. (Thank you to parishioner Lee Snyder for his amazing work!)

Our previously published worship schedule remains:

SUNDAY: 8:45 AM 321 Contact Worship - NativityPlatz

10:00 AM Holy Eucharist - Cathedral & Virtual

12:30 PM Spanish Worship - Cathedral & Virtual

WEDNESDAY: 9:00 AM Holy Eucharist and Healing - Good Shepherd Chapel SATURDAY:

2nd Saturday of the Month - 5:00 PM Celtic Eucharist - Cathedral

Last Saturday of the Month - 5:00 PM Celtic Spirituality Night - Cathedral

We have increased our capacity and are no longer requiring registration for services. Please continue the healthy habits of this time. When indoors wear a mask, space appropriately, and if you are not feeling well or feel at risk, stay home and enjoy worship virtually.

2. Personnel: I am thrilled to announce that with the vestry's approval Tracy Eisenreich, our extraordinary administrator, has been promoted. Tracy's new title is Director of Administration and Finance-Executive Assistant to the Dean. Tracy's role expands with financial management of all income and expenses related to our Capital Campaign and the projects it supports. In addition, Tracy will take on more responsibility with staff and personnel oversight. Please congratulate and thank her (and all of our staff) for the excellence that enables our mission.
3. Ready for the Fall: We are readying and carefully opening our spaces to the many ministries that take place here. The undercroft of the Cathedral and the Bishop Gray room are being transformed and expanded for our Thrift Shop ministry which has been operating in Sayre Hall during the pandemic. Church school classrooms and other spaces are being cleaned/painted and readied. Roofs are being repaired, properties cleaned up, and the staff will meet in early July to begin to strategically think and plan for our growing mission.

4. Reaching Up and Reaching Out - The Campaign for Nativity: What an amazing story this is! Thank you all for your continued support. We have nearly 3.1 million dollars in pledges, promises, and contributions to our campaign to enable the transformation of our sacred space and support the housing and food insecure! Our dream is big and we will push on to the fall in hopes of raising the remaining necessary funds to support our full vision! You are amazing, God is even more so. This is a critical time to ensure our vitality and engagement in Bethlehem and beyond. You are responding and generations to follow will give thanks.

I continue to give thanks for that which God has called us to do together!

Blessings,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Tony", with a long horizontal stroke above it.

The Very Rev. Anthony R. Pompa  
Dean and Rector