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John Doe, Ministry Minute Speaker

Everyone look up. What you will see is stone: strong, mighty, unchanging, static. Believe me, I could stand here and talk for a while about what a privilege it is to worship in this giant rock that we have decorated into a church. But I believe that the cold, motionless stone hides the true nature of this place because, in truth, the community of Christ Church shares more in common with a river than a stone behemoth. I say a river because rivers do one thing very spectacularly: they flow. They, by their very nature, are always in motion, always ready to go to new places and do new things. The same is true of Christ Church. I've only been here for a couple years, but in that time, the dynamic and kinetic nature of this community has truly been life-changing.

There's a phrase: "Come as you are," that this community has truly lived out. I don't believe I am alone in noticing how radically welcoming Christ Church is to everyone who wants to be part of this place. Saying "Come as you are" is only half of the story. Don't just come as you are, but leave transformed. It's in the transformation that this community has its true power. It's in the act of changing lives that Christ Church has any meaning. This is a gorgeous stone that we're sitting in right now, but that beauty would mean nothing if this church sat empty. What gives this place meaning is that so many people can flow through those doors, and on some days overflow, and be transformed by the energy and passion that this community radiates. That's why what we're doing here matters.

So we're asking you to take part. Be a part of this community, take your place in the vibrant flowing river that flows here. There's a reason we call this act 'pledging', because it is the act of pledging one's self to the ministry of this church. It is the act of pledging your best to the work this community can do and the lives it can change. Everything this church has ever done, for you, for me and for countless others is by the generosity of those who could not bear to be static, but instead chose to be vibrant. All that we ask is for you to make a pledge and join them.