



OCTOBER SERMON SERIES
ST MARTIN'S CHURCH SHERWOOD

living generously

THANKFULNESS | HOSPITALITY | GIVING
SUNDAYS AT 10

St Martin's is a generous church, where we value hospitality and giving. We serve a generous and giving God - who gave himself in Jesus for the salvation of the whole world, and continues to give us life every day, from each breath we take, to the wonder and beauty of creation, to the gift of the Holy Spirit equipping us to live as followers of Jesus Christ.

During October 2018 our sermons will help us to explore more about how we respond to God's generosity by being intentionally generous ourselves, and by stewarding well what he has given us, for the blessing of Sherwood and the world. This includes being good stewards of the resources we have been given as a whole church - the building and grounds, the people and their gifts, our own money, and financial legacies of those who have gone before us.

When we give, we give life: we enable ourselves and others to carry out God's mission of justice, peace and restoration in the world. Hospitality given and received builds up the body of Christ, and invites others into the life of hope that we have experienced through Jesus.

We will explore themes of:

- ◆ thankfulness and care for the world
- ◆ hospitality
- ◆ financial giving
- ◆ giving time and talents, and
- ◆ the legacy we leave for those to come after us

and will have opportunity to:

- ◆ thank those who give to God's mission in and through St Martin's
- ◆ review our financial giving to church and elsewhere
- ◆ contribute towards the organ reconditioning
- ◆ join in with a simple practice each week that helps us to live
- ◆ generously
- ◆ celebrate God's good generosity in our lives

***What shall I return to the Lord for all his goodness to me?
Psalm 116.12***