## National Fund for Sacred Places Awards Grant to St. Adalbert

The National Fund for Sacred Places, a program of Partners for Sacred Places in collaboration with the National Trust for Historic Preservation, is pleased to announce that St. Adalbert, South Bend, Indiana has been chosen to receive a \$250,000 matching grant as one of its 2023 grantees.

St. Adalbert joins fifteen other historically significant faith communities have been admitted into the prestigious program, which provides capital grants of up to \$250,000 and hands-on technical assistance to congregations undertaking significant preservation projects.

The only initiative of its kind in the United States, the National Fund for Sacred Places is a highly competitive program that supports vibrant faith communities that have buildings of historical significance and architectural character, and that play an essential role in meeting the larger spiritual, social, and economic needs of the communities they serve. This year's grantees represent some of the most important and impactful houses of worship in the country. With these grants, the National Fund recognizes their contributions and seeks to support their efforts.

"We are delighted to welcome 16 faith communities from around the United States into the National Fund. This year was the most competitive yet, and the members of the new cohort stood out for their admirable commitment to using their historic religious properties as civic assets," said Bob Jaeger, President of Partners for Sacred Places. "We are excited to collaborate with the National Trust in serving faith leaders who are working hard to ensure that their buildings are preserved, fully used, and able to serve their communities over the long term."

"We're honored to support the preservation of these 16 places of worship, which hold so many stories about American history, architecture, and religious expression," said Jay Clemens, Interim President and CEO of the National Trust for Historic Preservation. "These capital grants, and the wrap-around services provided by the National Trust and Partners for Sacred Places, will support congregations that are working to sustain their historic buildings and enrich the future of their communities."

The National Fund for Sacred Places is made possible thanks to the generosity of Lilly Endowment Inc. The National Fund 2023 grantees are:

All Souls Unitarian Church – Washington, D.C.

Alrasool Islamic Center – Taylorsville, UT

Breakers Covenant Church International – Detroit, MI

Church of the Holy Apostles – New York, NY

Church of St. Paul and St. Andrew United Methodist - New York, NY

Faith Congregational Church – Hartford, CT

First Bryan Baptist Church - Savannah, GA

First Unitarian Church – Philadelphia, PA

St. Adalbert Catholic Church - South Bend, IN

St. Francis de Sales Oratory – St. Louis, MO

St. Mark's Lutheran Church - Baltimore, MD

St. Paul's Episcopal Church – Key West, FL St. Peter's/San Pedro Episcopal Church – Salem, MA United Parish in Brookline – Brookline, MA Unitarian Universalist Church of Buffalo – Buffalo, NY Vang Lutheran Church – Dennison, MN