

A Summary of Vestry Actions taken at the February 13, 2025 Meeting:

- **TREASURER'S REPORT:** Motion to accept made by Patsy, seconded by Sheri, all in favor.
- **STEWARDSHIP UPDATE:** A shout out of thanks was given to Peter B. and Patsy for their great work.
- **FINAL SPC PERSONAL POLICY:**

There was a question about the current vacation policy – is it generous enough? The Diocese can share with us what other churches do, it appears most offer 20 days.

CAMPUS REPORT

Treasurer Kirk Baker noted that our water bill in Jan. went from usage of 90 gallons to 1,000 gallons, thus it was discovered that there is a rather large leak between the street and church proper, in the closet near the Daume entrance. It is the churches responsibility since it is on our meter, however, we will be reimbursed for 2/3 of it given it "is an accident." Kirk explained that it was bookkeeper Becky Mack who noticed the huge increase on the water bill and alerted him. Contractor/handyman Buzz Polchinski was called about the leak and is working on the problem.

Steve Paradis noted that the Capital Campaign (CC) project is moving forward; at the Jan. Historic District Commission (HDC) meeting they approved the second egress for the back staircase leading into the alley/driveway. Emeritus is working on completing the construction documents needed to proceed with the work on the staircase. The hope is to begin the work in September, 2025.

Peter Barnes shared that there are some nice CC pledges coming in. Warden Lucy Leske thanked all those on the committee.

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY REPORT

Peter Barnes reiterated that all the churches information is being digitized and will be put into the Cloud going forward. Folders will be put in place and Google will help with this project. At some point the Vestry will receive a practice session and demonstrations will be given so we can learn the process.

PARCOCHIAL REPORT, REVIEW AND APPROVAL

Lucy Leske shared that the report needs to be filed every year with the Diocese. All the Vestry will review it. It focuses on many of the church's numbers – baptisms, marriages, funerals, etc. and there is a book that holds all the records which Curtis Barnes keeps up to date.

VESTRY NORMS – DISCUSSION AND APPROVAL

Warden Liz Bristow researched what other churches have done and handed out copies. Lou Gennaro shared that the Diocese website lists “the Vestry rules.” Lucy Leske feels it would be beneficial if St. Paul’s printed the list and framed it to hang in Gardner Hall for all to see.

WARDEN’S REPORT

Lucy Leske shared the schedule of “Clergy Coverage” while Max is on sabbatical:

Dr. Vincent Kopp here Feb. 9 – March 2

Katharine Black, March 5 – March 16

Jackie McGrady, March 23 – April 6 and then April 27 (Daffodil Weekend)

Canon Kelly O’Connell, April 13 (Palm Sunday) - April 20 (Easter)

The Mutual Ministry Review will be forth coming, Canon Kelly welcomed the idea. A Vestry Retreat will take place in the spring once everyone returns to the island.

Lucy noted that Joe Hammer’s partner John and their grandson Killian will be moving back to the island in April; John also agreed to be St. Paul’s sexton and he will be paid to take on this responsibility.

Safe Church Training

Dorothy Baker explained that everyone delivering Weds. Supper dinners is a volunteer and she would feel more at ease if there was a protocol list in place for the volunteers. Ruthie Klink suggested each Weds. Supper recipient have a folder with the current information on each client. It was suggested the Vestry should partake of the Safe Church process each year. Liz Bristow noted she was a Safe Church trainer so the Vestry will review that process again.

NO OTHER BUSINESS