

A Summary of Vestry Actions taken at the July 10, 2025 Meeting:

TREASURER'S REPORT: Treasurer Kirk Baker explained that the Finance Committee met and had approved the report. No one had any questions. Kirk did ask Peter Barnes about sending a letter to folks who have pledged to the Capital Campaign and Peter B. said it was/will be done.

STEWARSHIP REPORT:

Peter Barnes shared that we will start having updated presentations at both church services beginning on July 27, with story boards. Each update lasting about five minutes.

OUTREACH REPORT:

Warden Liz Bristow spoke on how all the programs are progressing. Kirk Baker took the financials from each program and broke them out per program, what they bring in, what is given away; Father Max said that the Diocesan rules have changed and we can now claim all that we give away, which will reduce our assets cost. Max also gives money from his discretionary fund.

Warden Lucy Leske asked "if the programs we are currently doing as a church are the programs we want to continue doing, or is there something else we could add? Are we serving the people we want to serve? Where are we being called to serve? The ways we are serving the community are changing, are we keeping up as a church?" Father Max explained that when our kitchen is remodeled, we can begin to again cook our own Weds. Supper meals which would reduce that cost.

Dorothy Baker noted that all the volunteers are the same and we could use additional help. Father Max likes the personal invitation ask.

WARDEN'S REPORT:

Committee Appointments: It was noted that Jay Riggs will be chairing the Nominating Committee. We will have three openings due to expired terms and/or term limits.

Steve Paradis shared that Bob Felch has stepped down from the Building Committee and Lou Gennaro has stepped up. He noted that he was on the weekly Zoom with the Capital Campaign Committee and they do have an updated version of the renovation plans; the audio/video system is supposed to be installed at the end of the month.

Warden Lucy asked for more members to be on the Finance Committee. She also noted that they have had questions from folks wanting to be on the Search Committee, which isn't yet formed and the message to them is, "we will let you know."

Mutual Ministry Review: Warden Lucy noted that the best thing would be to begin looking at our goals with Max and the Vestry. "What are we doing and what can we do?"

RECTOR'S REPORT:

Max shared that lots has been going on since last month's meeting. He asked everyone to please attend the Tuesday Musical Arts Concerts if possible.

He shared that the island is a challenging and expensive place to live, which needs to be kept in mind when a search begins. We should also increase our endowment. He was happy to share "that all we do in the community is often noted. St. Paul's is making a difference in the Community."

OTHER BUSINESS:

It was noted that there will be a Family Bar B Q in the Memorial Garden on Friday, July 25 which Curtis Barnes has organized.

Max passed around the Rug Raffle signup sheet.