

## **Vestry Meeting Highlights October 16, 2019**

Marty Stanton led the opening prayer and Mike Roehrer spoke on how he was inspired by Tom Lehmann, a man confined to a wheelchair since he was a teenager who overcame his difficulties, found Jesus, was always upbeat, and became a gospel message to those around him

We discussed concerns from the congregation – the condition of the rug in the large skylight room.

The Stewardship Commission reported that we netted \$320 from the parish yard sale; that many pledge forms have still not been received, which the Vestry will follow up on with personal notes; that things are set for the auction on October 26; that tickets will go on sale for A Christmas Carol on November 10; that the Community Service of Thanksgiving is on Sunday, November 24<sup>th</sup> at the Kinnelon Reformed Church; and that the 2020 Thrill of the Grill will be on Saturday, August 29<sup>th</sup>.

The Outreach Committee reported that with this month's disbursements we will have sent out \$6,000 in outreach donations this year; that Rev. Sharon Hausman's sermon and presentation on prison ministry was well received; and that the list of requested outreach Christmas gifts will be in the November newsletter.

We gave thanks for Nancy Moody for coordinating the garage sale; for John Simonelli for donating his garage sale profits to the church; for Mary Harbinsky for her help at the garage sale and for coordinating the baskets for the auction; for Marty and Candace Stanton for driving and serving at St. Paul's Men's Shelter; for Michael Kidney for painting the new Willing Hands TV room and new chapel; for Guy Baskinger for his help with the move; for the well-behaved animals at the Blessing of Animals service; and for Jean Boranian for joining the choir and volunteering to be a reader.

We reviewed and accepted the September Quickbooks reports.

We agreed on Saturday, November 23<sup>rd</sup> for the Vestry MMR to be led by the Rev Canon Margo Clark, Canon for Congregational Life.

The Property Committee reported that plans for the Fall Clean-up Day are well under way; that the dampness issue in the basement is being addressed; and that they have been discussing a reboot of Adopt a Project in 2020.

We amended and approved the November calendar.

Respectfully submitted,  
John Simonelli, Senior Warden