

Vestry Meeting Highlights – December 17, 2015

The Meeting began with a prayer led by Mike Roehrer, followed by Nancy Hammaker sharing her story of finding a home in the Episcopal Church. A lively discussion followed, with Vestry members sharing what they love about the Episcopal Church.

We discussed Part Two of Alan Roxburgh's book "Joining God: Remaking Church, Changing the World" and suggested that it would be something to share with the entire congregation, perhaps during Lent.

We discussed four suggestions brought to Vestry members by the congregation:

- "Virtual membership" for folks who move away, including perhaps video sermons
- The lack of heat in the restrooms
- Making the entrance to the parking lot easier to see
- Having a point person and clean-up crew for the annual beefsteak dinner

The Guiding Team discussed the need for an Outreach Committee to facilitate wider and more focused outreach to the community and David will be meeting with a small group to explore this further. They also discussed a possible 'going local' community experiment, and will be meeting in January to discuss the feasibility.

David asked for members of the congregation and community we need to thank.

We approved the Treasurer's report for November as presented. Income and Expenses are pretty much on track. We also reviewed the formatted financial reports that expand on the Treasurer's report.

We reviewed and approved the proposed 2016 budget.

We approved the proposed slate of Vestry candidates who will be elected at the Parish Annual Meeting on January 10th.

We discussed the possibility of additional rental income from the After School Program, who has shown interest in renting the small skylight room as a study space.

We approved an opportunity for year-end contributions that was recommended by a parishioner.

As her term is ending Nancy Hammaker offered her reflections on having served on the Vestry

We amended and approved the church calendar for January.

Respectfully submitted,
John Simonelli, Senior Warden

