

## Highlights of Vestry Meeting 10/15/15

Vestry and Guiding Team met at 7pm for dwelling in the word and Eucharist.

Listening from the Congregation:

- Some congregants were wondering if non-members know St. David's is handicapped accessible; the property committee will look into signage for the driveway entrances.
- Dwelling in the word has been generally well received by congregation, however many would prefer not to do this during the Sunday worship service. David suggested dwelling in the word in church when a month has a 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday, which happens 4 times a year. Other opportunities for dwelling in the word will also be offered outside of worship.
- Some parishioners commented on the timing of the Silent Auction, noting that it isolates us from the community on Halloween; seen as a missed opportunity to be engaged with the community.

7 vestry members attended Vestry University on Oct. 4<sup>th</sup>. Sessions attended dealt with financial issues, legal issues, anti-racism, church polity, ministry planning, and how to keep people aged 18-33 involved and invested in the church. The wardens also attended a session with Bishop Mark Beckwith.

The Vestry and Guiding Team will be reading Alan Roxbrough's new book, and will discuss it at the next 2 vestry meetings. The book title can be found on the Going Local bulletin board.

Usually in the Rector's report, David lists thanksgivings for the month. Instead, David invited the vestry to suggest persons both within and outside of the congregation who we wanted to thank. David will send personal thank you notes.

Pastoral care team will meet on Sunday, Oct. 25<sup>th</sup> after church.

According to the treasurer, we are doing okay financially.

The sexton search has yielded 2 serious candidates. They will both return for a second interview. Hopefully we will soon have a new sexton.

An Email vote concerning the choice of Wayne Johnson as roofer for the rectory roof, and funding from the most recent Ward J. Herbert award, was confirmed.

Pledge forms are due today – if you didn't get them in, expect to hear from your vestry person. They need to be in to the church office by the 23<sup>rd</sup> at the absolute latest, as the budget & finance committee will start work on budget on the 26th.

Christmas outreach will be much the same as last year – look for details in the upcoming newsletter.