

Vestry Meeting Highlights – September 17, 2015

The meeting began with prayer offered by Julie Dolci

Lee Moody offered a spiritual meditation based on downhill skiing on a Good Friday

Based on feedback from the congregation we discussed the pros and cons of offering dual Lord's Prayers during the service

Stacey Ferraro reported that the Going Local guiding team is meeting monthly, with Doris Snyder as the facilitator, and that dwelling in the word will be part of the Sunday service every 3 weeks.

David was grateful that 6 Vestry members will be attending Vestry University on October 3rd. He announced that the Vestry's mutual ministry review will be facilitated by The Rev. Joseph Harmon on Saturday, November 21st. He also appointed the nominating committee for the upcoming vestry election, outlining what's expected of new and present Vestry members.

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

David reported that a Sexton search committee (Julie Dolci, Sondra Odian, Mike Roehrer, John Simonelli – chair) has been appointed and already at work, and that he has formed a small committee (himself, Mary-Esther Arther, Irene Williams) to plan a way to honor the Armstrongs for their long years of service.

John Simonelli reported a net profit of \$1,862.61 from the Thrill of The Grill event. He also reported on potential reduced expenses in 2016 due to rent increases of our two tenants and projected lower fuel costs.

We approved to include the projected \$1,200 yearly pension expense for the new sexton, which is mandated by the Diocese, in the tri-fold brochure that will be included in the Financial Stewardship packets to be distributed on September 27th. Also approved for inclusion in the pamphlet as additional expense items are \$4,200 for guest clergy during the Rector's 3-month sabbatical and the Rector's request for \$2,500 to help fund this sabbatical.

Julie Dolci reported that a new Ward J. Herbert Grant request will be submitted to the Diocese by October 1st to cover half the cost of replacing the rectory roof

We amended and approved the church calendar for October.

Respectfully submitted,
John Simonelli, Senior Warden

