

Highlights of the July 19, 2016 Vestry Meeting

These are the highlights of the Vestry Meeting of July 19, 2016.

Pledge Campaign: The vestry discussed different ideas and approaches to conduct the upcoming pledge campaign. It was noted that while pledges have been keeping in line with expenses it was also noted that we are behind in pledges from last year. We have many wonderful things going on here at St. Paul's and want to get this information relayed to as many parishioners as possible.

Profile Committee Update: The committee is still meeting weekly. They are getting ready to start the narrative portion soon and hope to have this completed by around Thanksgiving.

Kitchen License: Bob Duke and Barb Markowski met with the food division of the Health Department to assess what steps need to be completed to license our kitchen on a yearly basis. We currently pay a fee of \$82.00 everytime we use the kitchen to feed the public, (ex. Trunk-or-Treat). While there is an extensive amount of work that has to be done to license the kitchen, it will be a one time job. The vestry approved the amount of \$505.00 to allow for a site review required by the health department and the cost of the yearly licensing fee. This fee will likely be paid from the Hospitality budget line but this will be discussed further with Treasurer.

Library: Dolly Whitney is interested in updating and organizing the library. She has been advised to gather some people willing to assist with this to discuss ideas about what they would like to see done in the library. Please see her if you are interested.

Clothing Closet: The Closet room has been painted. Bob Duke will be constructing clothing racks. The cost is \$30.00 per 6 ft. rack. The vestry approved funds for 6 clothing racks.

Tree Planting for Memorial Garden: Wayne and Romelle Frey proposed placing 2 weeping spruce trees in the northwest corner Memorial Garden along the south wall of the church at the blank wall gap between 2 adjacent pairs of stained glass windows. These trees are tall and slender and will grow **up** not out. This should help take up surface water from precipitation that otherwise gets trapped along the church basement wall. Wayne provided a very thorough proposal that includes transport and hand digging the holes in order to disrupt the grounds as little as possible. They will make sure that everything dug will be put back in place and treated with the utmost respect. The planting will take place in the fall. The vestry authorized the funding of this at a cost of \$520.00 and thanked Wayne for his willingness to complete this task. More information on this will be available in the next Epistle.

Boiler: We have a broken boiler that has been down since late winter. Kyle King has been looking into this and the different options that we have available to us. While he still has more homework to do on this he advised vestry that he will be making a proposal at a later date.

Treasurer's Report: Tabled until next meeting as Diane was unable to be with us.

Coffee Hour: Just a reminder, no one has signed up for August yet.

These highlights will be placed on the vestry bulletin board and on the church webpage.

This concludes the July Vestry Highlights.