

Highlights of the December 15, 2015 Vestry Meeting

These are the highlights of the December 15, 2015th Vestry Meeting.

The sustainable budget was reviewed and discussed by the vestry members. The Vestry approved the 2016 budget.

A letter to Bishop Gibbs regarding the three year sustainable budget, budget cuts , including \$12,600 in labor costs was outlined. The letter notified the Bishop of a cut to our diocesan pledge. The operating revenues have been reduced to \$299,500. This represents a reduction of \$43,580 over last year. The pledge for 2016 will be \$29,500 a reduction of approximately \$22,730. All the members of the vestry signed the letter.

New windows have been put in the hallway and the office area. The windows were paid for by a grant from the Dioceses.

The vestry slate for 2016 is Kyle King, Dennis Marsh, Kim Perlos and Barb Markowski. The vestry slate will be voted on by the congregation at the Annual Meeting on Sunday, January 24th. Leaving the vestry are Barney Rudolph, Bob Flower, and Tom Holsinger-Friesen.

89 pledge cards were received this year for a total of \$185,000. Last year the pledge amount was \$139,000 with 92 pledges. Thank you to all who made a generous donation and pledged to St. Paul's.

A check for \$30,000 was received from the Camp Foundation for the operating years of 2014 and 2015.

An unrestricted gift of \$25,000 was received from the estate of Betty Lange in Illinois. The money will be received in 2016 when the estate is settled.

The next vestry meeting is January 24, right after the Annual Meeting.

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

This concludes the December vestry highlights.