

The September Vestry Meeting of St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Dayton, Ohio was held on Tuesday 19 September 2023.

5:37pm Call to order: D McClain

Opening Prayer: D McClain

Present: S Alexander, D Cunningham, B Neben, D McClain, J Furmanski, C Campbell, L Bumiller, J Woodhull, M Miller

Absent: L Hamblen, O Anderson, S Sampson, B Tanner

Review of 15 August 2023 Meeting Minutes

Approval of 15 August 2023 Meeting Minutes

Motion to approve: J Woodhull

Second: B Neben

Motion Carried: Acclamation

Strategic Framework/Action Plan Roundup: D McClain & M Miller

Apple approved the app, still waiting approval from the Google Apps store

Ways of keeping the app within the church

Want to start thinking about next year for the strategic framework

Hope to launch the app in the next 30 days

Forward thinking is good and we want to think about next steps and building energy

Vestry members need a copy of the vestry book

Communicating the wins to the congregation before the next annual meeting

Rector's Report: D McClain

GROW starts on Sunday

Grow is a very stripped down service

Want to give newcomers a soft entry into Episcopal life and worship

Want the parish to take ownership of the GROW program

Anglican Christmas fest had its first meeting

Canterbury parish trip details are being finalized

Air conditioner in the nave is having problems

The pipes that the coolant runs through have a lot of holes in them

Several thousand dollars for the repair

We are now under a contract for service, but that contract doesn't cover catastrophic repairs

There is money set aside for capital expenses

Getting a quote on a new chiller

Windows are being replaced next Thursday

Window wells need to be built up

Lapis lawncare cutting back on what they are doing

Trying to put together a garden committee/ team

Labyrinth trying to figure out the most cost effective way and gathering information

Warden Report: J Woodhull

- Title IV has to be over before the Lombard peace center can start their work
- Need to build mutual ministry and community
- Need to create a healthy community and then the money will come
- Want the stewardship committee to be the vestry plus a few others
- Need to focus on stewardship in the next 11 weeks
- Letters will go out to the parish soon
- Need to name an amount that we want to raise
- October 29 might be a good Sunday for a finance presentation
- Need to set a realistic amount of money for the amount to raise
- November 19 for the blessing of the pledge cards
- Needs to be a short message from a vestry member each week
- Try to get a schedule out for the next week

Finance Report: B Neben

- Need to vote Bill Coffen in as head of the finance committee
 - Motion to approve: J Woodhull
 - Second: B Neben
 - Motion Carried: Acclamation
- Got a pledge in for \$50,000
- Other pledges are down
- Need more linen
- Might be a good idea to put glass or plexiglass over the linen to help the linens last

New Business

- Maybe have an informal parish discussion following the election of the new bishop scheduled to take place on September 30th
- We have been doing advertising for GROW
- Need to make sure that the advertising is reaching people outside the parish

Closing Prayer: D McClain

7:22 pm Adjourn: D McClain