

**St. Luke's Episcopal Church
Scituate, MA 02066**

ANNUAL REPORT: JANUARY 28, 2018

Reverend Billie Mae Gordon

**Senior Warden: Chris McKerrow
Clerk: Roberta Swift**

**Junior Warden: Paul Antenore
Finance Committee Member**

The 2018 annual meeting of St. Luke's was preceded by potluck luncheon and called to order at 11:50 a.m. This is the 61th annual meeting of St. Luke's.

All new members of St. Luke's were asked to register.

The minutes of the 2017 annual meeting were presented, approved and accepted. As of December 31, 2017 there are 28 pledges in arrears which total \$14,834.00 which is 7.9% of the 2017 pledged amount.

A motion was made to accept the financial report for 2017 be approved. The report was approved and seconded.

The budget for 2018 was presented and discussed. The parish was informed that the budget is not final as the pledge drive is not complete.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE: The present Vestry members serving were asked to stay another year while the parish is transitioning into finding a new priest. Meijia Yang finished his three-year term and a Motion was made to nominate James Seaton to a three-year term. The motion was seconded and approved.

Senior Warden Chris McKerrow and Junior Warden Paul Antenore were elected for another year.

A motion was made to accept the Senior Warden Chris McKerrow and Junior Warden Paul Antenore for another year while St. Luke's transitions to a finding a Priest in Charge.

The Vestry will elect members to the Deanery and Diocesan convention.

REPORTS:

TREASURER'S REPORT:

It was reported that the operating fund expenses was below budget by \$3,800 which will be carried over into the 2018 budget.

As of this meeting the 2018 budget is \$1,600 shy of the goal. It was also reported that St. Luke's does not know how much the new priest will cost which will affect the 2018 budget.

It was announced that a Farmers market, sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce will be held on the first and last Saturday from January 28th through the first weekend of April.

Restricted Funds: The investment markets were strong in 2017, and our fund performed well. The results are summarized below:

Investments:

The 2017 results are as follows: (adjusted for additions and withdrawals)
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Vanguard Balanced Index Fund	+\$ 6,586.52 up 13.89%
New Permanent Endowment Fund	+\$47,346.41 up 15.21%

A motion was made to approve the treasurer's 2017 report; it was seconded and approved.

PRIEST IN CHARGE – It was reported that St. Luke's had received a candidate and the Senior Warden and Junior Warden had interviewed him. Soon he will appear before the Vestry. Rev. John Baptiste is our representative from the Diocese.

APPRECIATION – Several were acknowledged for their service to St. Luke's:

Ed Karsch for keeping St. Luke's finances in order and all the other services he performs for the good of the church.

Rev. Billie Mae Gordon for doing such a good job as St. Luke's Bridge Priest.

John McDowells for all his hard work in keeping St. Luke's invested in the recycling of bottles and cans at the Transfer Station.

Meijia Yang for his service on the Vestry and for conducting Bible Study every Sunday after church.

Ron Swan for helping the Altar Guild in setting up for the 8:00 a.m. service and for other services he performs for St. Luke's.

Joyce Barthold for tirelessly acting as Hospitality Chairman.

Michael Marrone for his service with the confirmation class, filling in at the Sunday service and for working with the acolytes.

CHURCH SCHOOL – The church school is doing well under the leadership of Bethany Bergin and Kittie Marrone. The goal of the co-chairs is that they would like the Christian Education Committee to represent all of Christian Education at St. Luke's.

YARD SALE – The Rotary and St. Luke's joined together for Heritage Days. They offered their annual pancake breakfast while St. Luke's conducted their yard sale and held in Dutton Hall and the Narthex. It was huge success for both St. Luke's and the Rotary. Special thanks go to Mary Lou Butler, Joyce Lukacik and Suzanne Otte for working so hard to make it the success it was.

CHURCH FAIR – The fair under the leadership of Yvonne McKerrow, Suzanne Otte and many others was a huge success. We were blessed with a glorious day weather-wise which brought out many shoppers. Overall the fair and mini fair brought in approximately \$18,422.26 after expenses.

PROPERTY – The parishioners at the meeting wanted to know what had been done to repair the rectory. Chris McKerrow reported that St. Luke's must apply for a Stokes Loan and then repairs will begin. The new priest might have to commute while repairs are being made.

Jim Beal mentioned that the light on the roof is still not fixed.

Ron Swan reported that the Memorial Garden needs attention as the grass as all turned to moss. Jim Beal said the committee is aware of that and it will be addressed in the spring.

It was also requested that the parish be notified of any property issues during the year. Chris McKerrow told the people present that the minutes of each Vestry meeting is on-line and available to everyone. Property issues are addressed at every Vestry meeting.

Please refer to the annual report for reports from the following:

Bridge Priest's report
Senior Warden's report
Junior Warden's report
Treasurer's report

There are detailed committee reports in the Annual Meeting Report for the following:

Music
Christian Ed

Outreach
Altar Guild
Harvest Fair
Hospitality/Coffee Hour

This was discussed thoroughly, and Chris and Paul answered any and all concerns of those present.

The meeting adjourned at 12:00 p.m. and scheduled next year's 2019 Annual Meeting for the last Sunday in January.

Respectfully submitted,

Roberta Swift