Vice President's Report for March, 2026

At the March meeting, the Board of Trustees reviewed the year end financials for 2025. Due to controlling expenses and a strong market, the diocese ended 2025 with a surplus.

The Board heard from the Missional Apportionment Process (MAP) team. Dean Cliff Haggenjos reported that the MAP team is meeting twice a month. They have divided themselves into three subgroups: Congregational Outreach, Outreach to other Dioceses and Understanding Our Current Budget and Resources. The Board of Trustees agreed to hire a consultant to help the team prepare unbiased questions for the congregations to consider and assist the MAP team evaluate the data that is collected. The MAP team plans to engage with 100% of our congregations and is investigating having independent listening sessions with congregations.

Bishop Megan announced that Sherry Wallmark has been appointed our new diocesan Missioner for Disaster Resilience. Sherry has been a member of our disaster resilience team for years. Sherry's dedication and knowledge will serve us well!

Finally, the Board was delighted to hear about participation in the Sacred Journeys pilot program for what will become a national formation program for the Episcopal Church. Sacred Journeys is a 10-session small group series exploring personal stories, videos, books, artwork, and articles about immigration. Of the eight congregations that have elected to participate in the program (from Ohio, Colorado, Georgia, and Arizona) three are from the Diocese of Northern California (Trinity Cathedral, St. Martin's-Davis; and St. John's-Roseville).

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