F&F December Come and See Submission

Finance and Facilities Board

<u>Treasurer- Bob Fuchs:</u> The 2022 operating budget was approved by the Vestry and announced at the annual meeting. The 2022 general fund pledge drive was successfully run by Jim Belvin and Geoff Gersen. Thank you very much to all who pledged. End of year financial activities will begin shortly as outstanding pledges are received and bills are paid.

<u>New Parish Hall</u>- Chair- *Bill Bittenbender*: Progress is still being made although not as quickly as we would like. Staffing issues with subcontractors continue to slow progress but our contractor is working to resolve problems. Kitchen modifications are being made and electrical installation continues.

<u>Buildings and Grounds</u>- Chair- *Bryan Wester*: Did you realize our church buildings are protected by a Fire Alarm System? If smoke is detected, or the sprinkler system is activated, or the manual Fire Pull switch is activated a notification is automatically sent to the Johnson Controls Monitoring Team. They will call the fire department and selected members of St. Philip's Episcopal Church. We recently passed our yearly test of this Fire Alarm System. Thank you to Clay Fairley for helping transport 8 fire doors from storage to the New Parish Hall. These doors are very heavy and were salvaged from the old Carr-Jorgenson house. Each door provides a 90 minute delay in fire spread to allow occupants time to escape. If you would like to volunteer your time to help maintain the physical health of our campus, contact Bryan Wester at <u>910-523-0094</u>.

<u>Endowments</u>- Chair- *Jim Belvin*: The Endowment Committee has developed a program that will allow parishioners to create endowments that will memorialize those for whom they care and/or support specific activities and needs associated with St. Philip's day-to-day parish life. Additional details will be forthcoming in the New Year, including a Ministry Minute presentation on January 30th.

<u>Stewardship</u>- Interim Chair-*Jim Belvin*: As you may know, the Stewardship Committee is pleased to announce that the 2022 Pledge Campaign reached it budgetary goal. While we are grateful to have reached this important goal we must recognize that our Parish will enter the new year with great hope but several unanswered cost questions related to our new Parish Hall. That said, the Stewardship Committee asks that those who have not yet pledged do so at their very earliest convenience. If you have questions about the budget or the costs St. Philip's faces or just need a pledge card please contact the Church office and someone will be in touch with you immediately. We offer our thanks to those who have pledged.