

A Word from the Wardens

It's hard to believe that January is almost behind us, and we have already survived our first ice event, such as it was. It was just enough to cause the vestry retreat to be rescheduled in February, but not to worry, there is much to be done and we are hard at work.

This year we have six new vestry members elected by the congregation; normally there are four. We are fortunate to have some excellent additions to replace our seasoned outgoing class, Debbie, Deborah, Liz, and Tom. Many thanks to them for their efforts over the past three years.

In 2022 we look forward to driving our Strategic Initiatives and strengthening our relationships with the Ministry Boards (MB). Each vestry member will serve in multiple efforts, either on one of the committees or as a chaplain to one of the ministry boards, or both.

The ministry board chaplains serve to enhance the Vestry/MB relationship, thereby making our efforts more efficient and effective. By understanding the individual focus and goals of each, the MBs and Vestry can work together to build a better St. Philip's.

This year we are pursuing three initiatives:

- Church growth
- Campus utilization
- Improved Communications

These represent areas that need attention to improve church life and ensure that we grow in the right direction. Each initiative will be addressed by a committee that will develop and implement plans for improvement.

In addition to the chaplains and initiatives, we have an Executive Committee, Model Policies, and a Mission Priorities committee. More on these later.

Throughout 2022 we will keep you updated on our plans, accomplishments, and challenges, so stay tuned. Additionally, vestry meetings are generally open with few exceptions to those that might like to attend. We meet on the 3rd Tuesday of each month, so feel free to join us if you like. Please let us know in advance so that we can plan for proper distancing if necessary.

Best Regards,

Dave & Steve