St. Michael's Episcopal Church

Barrington, Illinois

Summary of the Vestry Meeting of February 19, 2018

- The meeting was called to order at 7:01 p.m., followed by an opening prayer.
- The agenda was approved as amended.
- The Consent Agenda, consisting of the Minutes of the January 16, 2018 Vestry Meeting, was approved.
- The continuing and new members of the Vestry were welcomed, after which there was reflection on our call as a parish and a review of Vestry responsibilities.
- An increase in pledge revenue has occurred since the Annual Meeting. Recommendations for use of the additional receipts were presented and discussed. The Vestry then approved related budget amendments.
- Ideas and possibilities for informational and directional signage improvements at St. Michael's were presented and discussed. Options will be refined for further consideration.
- The Buildings and Grounds report noted that exterior concrete repairs are still planned for this year, bids are being obtained for some church interior refurbishing and furniture cleaning, and some heating improvement work has been completed at the Rectory. Some heating improvement work also will be done at the Curate's residence.
- A proposal to foster more frequent communication between members of the Vestry and parishioners was presented and discussed. Details to move forward with this plan will be finalized.
- It was noted that preparations for upcoming Holy Week activities are well underway.
- Fr. Perkins reported that the Annual Meeting went well, there have been several visitors and new persons at St. Michael's since the start of the year, he will be part of the Guatemala mission group, a liturgical planning committee is in place and active, an outreach options event is being contemplated for Pentecost Sunday, ideas for youth ministry leadership going forward are being considered, and a Mutual Ministry Review is planned.
- The meeting was closed with a prayer and adjourned at 8:44 p.m.