

St. Michael's Episcopal Church

Barrington, Illinois

Summary of the Vestry Meeting of November 19, 2018

- The meeting was called to order at 7:03 p.m. and opened with a prayer.
- The agenda was approved as presented.
- After brief discussion the Consent Agenda, consisting of the Minutes of the October 13, 2018 Meeting of the Vestry and the October 2018 Financials, was approved.
- Following review and discussion, sabbatical, merit pool/staff bonuses, and computer hardware funding, previously placed on hold, was reinstated in the 2018 budget.
- An update on the Emergency Preparedness Assessment was provided. A report including several recommendations will be provided to the Vestry shortly.
- An update on repair work at 128 Hillside Avenue was provided.
- The Rector's Report included information on recent and upcoming events and activities, including funerals, 'Trunk or Treat,' the All Souls Requiem, Oktoberfest, a leadership conference at North Park University, the Peace and Justice Committee presentation on gun safety, a recently established scholarship fund for the Little Angels Christian Preschool, Advent planning, Bishop Joseph's visit, Crop Walk, preparation for Confirmation, the Diocesan Convention, use of the Sturtz house, pastoral care coordination, conversations with St. Mark's regarding possible joint activities, and the service schedule for Christmas Eve.
- A recap of the recent Vestry retreat was presented, along with next steps.
- Sunday, February 3, 2019 was approved as the date for the Annual Meeting.
- A Stewardship Campaign report was presented, including next steps.
- The Building and Grounds Report included information regarding recent HVAC repairs, work on the signage plan, and the Gardening Alliance.
- The Senior Warden's Report noted that discussion of the 2019 draft budget will be a component of the next Vestry meeting. Members of the Vestry were asked to be thinking about how the parish can grow and how we can sustain our blessings.
- In response to a question, an update was provided regarding church building roof repair status.
- Feedback was provided from a recent small group meeting held in conjunction with the 'Parish within a Parish' initiative.
- The meeting was closed with a prayer and adjourned at 8:53 p.m.