

**Highlights of the Vestry Meeting
Tuesday, March 13, 2018**

The Vestry approved spending up to \$5,250.00 to have Randy Burkett Lighting Design develop a master plan for lighting in the nave. Randy Burkett Lighting Design is located in Webster Groves, but has worked on projects in many churches and other public places across the United States. A master plan developed by a firm with expertise in lighting churches will ensure that the choices made make sense aesthetically and practically.

The Vestry approved having Grace host an Invite, Welcome, and Connect three-day workshop, provided that the Diocese provides some support. The workshop would be open to churches in the Diocese and to area churches of all denominations.

The Vestry approved having Grace host a Dismantling Racism workshop in the fall. There will be no cost to Grace to host the event.

Plans for landscaping improvements are proceeding. Junior Warden Rebecca Harrison posted proposed plans in Albright Hall for parishioners to view, and has received positive feedback.

The Vestry approved moving forward with the installation of the St. Matthew's spire, provided that the bid received comes in under \$10,000.00.

Senior Warden Lyn Ballard and parishioner Dick Entenmann attended the diocesan leadership conference on March 3.

Tim Engelbrecht reported that the final number of pledges received for 2018 is 138, totaling \$400,942.

Pledge Income for the month of February was \$27,961, which was \$461 above budget.

YTD Pledge Income was \$95,588 versus the budgeted amount of \$94,500.

Total Revenues for the month were \$42,870, which was \$334 above budget.

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Total Expenses for February were \$58,606 which was \$3,599 below budget.

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Net Revenue for February was (\$15,736) which was \$3,933 above the budgeted amount of (\$19,669).

YTD Net Revenue was \$35,844, or \$11,619 above the budgeted amount of \$27,225.

Our current cash reserves would cover an estimated 2.59 months of the budgeted 2018 expenses.