

Dear St. John's, June 14, 2022

During our annual vestry retreat, the vestry adopted a list of goals to guide our work as a parish. One of those goals was to create a system for dealing with capital expenses. How do we plan for and fund capital expenditures? With a campus of our size, we have several such expenditures to address. To be proactive rather than reactive, a task force has been created with representatives from various St. John's committees.

We are engaging this work with St. Paul in mind. In his letter to the Corinthians, he shares the image of Christ's people as a body, moving and working together, totally dependent upon health and well-being of each other. The task force we have commissioned includes members from the following ministry areas:

- **Property** share the priorities for capital expenditures, projected costs, and timelines
- Stewardship brainstorm ideas for fundraising and opportunities for supporting both annual giving campaigns and capital expenditures
- **Finance** communicate current financial resources such as the R3 fund (restricted fund for capital expenditures) and share practices that are both supportive of our property needs and are financially sustainable
- Clergy to bring together the body of Christ to collaborate, educate, and encourage

Our task force has begun meeting and a list of priorities has been presented which include a new HVAC system in the church and the renovation of many of our stained-glass windows. Both projects come with a significant price tag. The task force will continue to meet in the coming months to consider opportunities and to share in this work as one body working together, not independently. Their recommendations will be shared with the vestry in the coming months.

I ask your prayers for each member of this task force and the vital work they are sharing. Remember, "we are many members, but one body," and that includes **YOU!**

God's Peace,

Amanda+, Pam Loose, Andy Carroll, Tim Huber





