

Attendance

Clergy Present: The Rev. Devon Anderson (interim rector), The Rev. Thomas Szczerba, The Rev. Sarah Dunn, Deacon Emily Givens

Other attendees: Members of the Vestry and the congregation of St. David's were present both in person and on livestream.

Opening

The annual meeting of St. David's Church opened at 11:00am.

Opening Prayer: Thomas Szczerba

Rector's Warden's report

Jim Dolan

Jim gave an overview of the meeting agenda and described the votes that will take place in the meeting.

Jim made remarks on his service of the past 5 years, including 4 years as rector's warden. His term included the pandemic years, the beginning of livestreaming church services, various staff changes, and, of course, the rector transition. Jim thanked the congregation for their support and contributions and for continuing the mission of St. Davids. Jim gave his thanks to the Profile and Discernment committees for their work on the transition.

New Rector: we have reached an agreement, and the next rector of St. David's can be announced: The Rev. Rick Morely of Basking Ridge, NJ.

Jim gave his thanks to Devon Anderson for continuing service as interim rector. St. David's is extremely lucky to have her.

Jim expressed his thanks to the departing vestry members, and a special thanks to Edie Lewis and Alison Hastings.

Finance Warden's Report

Jay Baldwin

Jay gave an overview of St. David's finances. Overall, the finances in good shape, with a strong balance sheet and successful audits. We have work to do, but we have so many blessings.

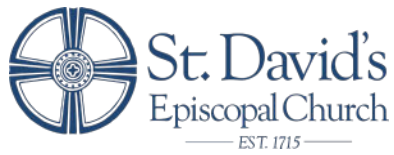
We have a talented staff, and dedicated support of parishioners.

Our endowments are handled by an experienced finance committee. We have ~13.3 Million in the various endowments. The 1715 Society has been set up for estate planning.

We need to work towards a balanced budget. In the past few years we have started up a school and had some other unexpectedly large expenses. This holds back the endowment growth.

Revenue is steady, but not growing. Flat pledging is a problem.

Our stewardship has been recognized as an area for improvement at St. Davids. It has been recognized as a weakness of the church. A stewardship consultant has been retained by the vestry to help us find ways to increase our revenue.



Slide show

Presentation to the audience.

Elections

Delegates – the slate of two parishioners, Joe Rollins and Mac McCausland, have been nominated as delegates to the Diocesan Convention. They were elected by a show of hands. New Vestry – the slate of four new vestry members, Ried Blynn, Robin Ford, Deb Geffken, and Andrew Kuhn, were elected to the vestry by show of hands.

Outgoing members

Devon Anderson offered her thanks to departing vestry members Jim Dolan, Jay Baldwin, Betsy Spiegel, and Eliza Whelan and presented each with a token of our appreciation. **Jim Dolan** gave a special thanks to Edie Lewis for her work on the vestry transition.

Closing

Closing Prayer: Emily Given

Respectfully Submitted,

Jeff Rohrbeck
Secretary
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