

St. Paul's by-the-Sea

Weekly news & updates

April 16, 2021

Vestry Highlights

The Vestry met on Monday, April 12, 2021 via zoom. Here are the highlights from the meeting:

- Received an update from the Red Doors Work Group. The group recently distributed a survey to past program participants and is currently working on developing three possible reopening plans.
- The Vestry agreed to schedule a follow up meeting of the Vestry and congregation with our consultant Sandy Cormack. The meeting will be scheduled for either of May 25, June 7, June 8 or June 9 at the church, subject to availability of Sandy Cormack.
- Bob Rothermel presented the Building and Ground Committee report. Mitrecic Construction has substantially completed the replacement of the steps to the Church doors on Third Street and they are now awaiting the installation of the hand rails. The Vestry approved the recommendation to award a contract to Tecta America for some immediate repairs to the exterior, south wall of the church facing Third Street. The Vestry approved hiring Scott Donnelly to conduct building inspections of church properties. The Vestry also approved the sale of the dance mats that are no longer used by Red Doors. Repairs will be made to the church bell tower.
- Vestry approved the Treasurer's Report presented by Paul Rogers.
- Cheryl Nottingham presented the Finance Committee Report. There are currently 33 pledges totaling \$66,246. Vestry approved setting up the automatic payment by direct debit of recurring utility bills. The Vestry also approved the proposal for direct deposit of employee paychecks. Both initiatives will be subject to an Electronic Payment Policy to be developed by Paul Rogers. The next Finance Committee meeting is rescheduled to Tuesday, April 27.
- The Vestry reviewed the draft of the Ministry Profile submitted by the Priest Search Work Group, made some editorial changes and referred it back to the Work Group.
- In other business, the Vestry will consider returning to in person Vestry meetings.
- The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, May 10 at 7:00 p.m.

Faithful Fridays with Bishop San

Bishop San will continue to create and post a devotional video every Friday. The videos will be available via the **Bishop's Blog** on the Diocesan website as well as on our **Facebook** page. Be sure to bookmark these links and tune in every Friday for inspiration and spiritual reflection.



Altar Flowers

We are allowed a maximum of three arrangements: two on the Altar and a third on a separate pedestal. The cost is \$55 for two arrangements and \$35 for a small pedestal arrangement.

The Sanctuary Candle burns at the main Altar to the Glory of God and to signify the presence of our lord Jesus Christ in the form of the reserve sacrament. The cost for two weeks is \$15 or \$30 for a month.

Both are wonderful ways to commemorate birthdays, anniversaries, memorials and thanksgivings. You can sign up by calling the church office at 410-289-3453 or emailing office@stpaulsbythesea.org. Please be certain to give us your dedication. Payment can be mailed to the church or placed into the collection plate.

*The **Easter Lilies** will be removed from the Altar after this Sunday's service. If you would like your lilies, please make plans to pick them up before Tuesday as they will be taken to the nursing homes next week.*



Church Online

To view the April 11th Morning Prayer service, [click here](#).

Help Needed

We are in need of Readers, Ushers and Counters. Please, prayerfully consider serving your church. You would only be scheduled one Sunday a month. Contact Jody Farley if you have any questions or would like to volunteer.



Sunday Services

April 18:
Rite II Morning Prayer with music, officiated by Lay Worship Leaders, Amy Rothermel, Debbie Shuster and Tom Shuster. [Click here](#) for a PDF version of the bulletin so you can follow along.

April 25:
Rite II Holy Eucharist service with music, officiated by Fr. Ron Knapp.

May 2:
Rite II Holy Eucharist service with music, officiated by Pastor Karen Wamester.

