

I am sorry I have been out of communication for the past three weeks. Internet service was very poor most of the time as I traveled across, Michigan, Wisconsin, Minnesota, North Dakota and Montana. Once I arrived at our ranch on the prairie, things were even more unreliable. I did enjoy my time away and now am ready to get back to work as Senior Warden.

1. I think we do need to address the phone and door situation. I have been in the situation of Father Don and after several trips to both Barth Hall and the alley door I think we need to make some upgrades. Having entry to the building for scheduled meetings also needs to be addressed. Motion: Request finance committee to look at ways we can afford to update the phone and door lock system.
2. Since I have been on vacation I understand we now have members checking phone messages on Mon, Fri and Sat. Please let me know how this is working and when I am needed.
3. How do we get members trained and then licensed as worship leaders and Eucharist ministers as well as Safeguarding God's children.
4. As we consider having loose offerings to support for example discretionary fund, We need to establish a modern method of giving. This will allow those who no longer carry cash to contribute. Motion: To establish a separate checking account for the Rector's discretionary fund for the Rector with oversight by Financial Director. To direct loose change (or electronic giving) offering on first Sunday of the month to this account.
5. With all the work Fr Don has done on policies I would like the vestry to try and approve as many as possible tonight.

By now hopefully everyone has received an invitation to a vestry gathering at the Mannor Grey Barn on Thursday Sept 29 at 6:30 pm. We need to discuss the food and refreshments.

Respectfully submitted, Barbara Mannor