



Senior Warden Vestry Report

March 22, 2023

SENIOR WARDEN REPORT

1. There is much to celebrate as we approach a new season at the Intersection. We see more hours of sunshine each day, and look to a season of abundance and hope of new beginnings. We have much to be grateful for this season, and many opportunities for us to open doors, share gifts, welcome neighbors, and build community.
2. As you know, Father Tom Manney will officially come to St. Paul's on Tuesday April 11, 2023. His first Sunday 'in the pulpit' will be the following Sunday, April 16th. Please see me or if you are interested in helping with the welcome/transition process.
3. Showing Up: Our summer calendar is filling up with wonderful opportunities for us to engage with each other and our neighbors. As you are able, I would encourage everyone to support the work of each ministry, committee, and special project, through your physical and virtual presence. The hard work of each group is honored by our attendance at the events they sponsor, and our public sharing of social media posts and events.
4. My sincere hope is to help us to find additional ways for ministry groups and committees to share, collaborate, and work together on additional projects throughout the year. I hope that each of you will keep an eye out for opportunities to encourage collaboration and community among and between your respective ministry/committee groups.
5. Recent Events:
 - a. Stations of the Cross has been a wonderful opportunity to pray and learn together each Friday evening. This Friday, March 24 is an opportunity for each ministry or committee group to write and lead the prayer and reflection for one or more stations. If your ministry or committee hasn't been involved yet, please contact Tim Grant. It is not too late!
 - b. On Saturday, March 11th, St. Paul's was represented on a panel presentation regarding 'Creation Care'. Six presenters from across the diocese shared stories and examples in the stewardship of God's creation. The event was recorded and is available on the diocesan website. One outgrowth of that meeting was an invitation for St. Paul's to designate a representative to sit on the bi-diocesan Creation Care task force. Perhaps this would be an appropriate role for a representative from our Building and Grounds Committee.
6. Upcoming Activities and Events (Please see Archivist, 150, and Stewardship Reports for Details)
 - a. We are approaching a series of significant dates, events, and activities. Please check the Parish Calendar on our website for additional details.
 - b. Stations of the Cross: Every Friday throughout Lent.
 - c. Wednesday Walkers Season Kick-off: April 4, 2023
 - d. Concert for the Human Family: April 22, 2023
 - e. Holy Hikes will take place at Stepping Stone Falls, also on April 22, 2023.
 - f. Sloan Museum/St. Paul's Exhibit-Opening Night: May 12, 2023
 - g. Groundbreaking/Spring Cleanup: May 13, 2023 (Tentative)
 - h. Blood Drive at St. Paul's: May 26, 2023 (Hours to be announced.)

Respectfully Submitted: Walter A. Peake, March 21, 2023