

## **St. Paul's Episcopal Church Vestry Meeting Minutes Highlights**

*The following are highlights of the April 24, 2019, Vestry meeting minutes.*

### **Financial Report**

Pledge payments remain strong. Thankfully, parishioners are paying early, and pledge payments are currently ahead of budget by \$107,000. Program expenses are over \$60,000 but covered by Temporary Restricted funds. Total YTD surplus is \$70,000 over budget.

### **ReNEWal Campaign Update**

Pledges totaling \$9,486,364 have been received. \$1.6 million of the \$9.4 million has been collected.

### **875 West Fifth Street Building**

Renovations are proceeding on schedule. No delays are expected as this is predominantly an inside project.

### **1928 Building**

Scaffolding will be enclosed next week and work will begin.

### **Rector's Report**

Director of Youth Ministries Nick VanHorn will be ordained as a deacon on June 8.

An offer has been extended to fill the Communications Director position.

Carolyn Sutton will be doing a summer internship at St. Paul's.

### **Clergy Report**

It was a great Holy Week with good attendance at all services, especially on Easter Sunday.

The Rev. Gus Chrysson's ordination to the priesthood will occur on Saturday, April 27, at St Paul's.

Due to construction, all weekday services will be moved to the chapel until further notice.

Due to policy changes at all Novant hospitals, St. Paul's is no longer notified when a parishioner is in the hospital. Parishioners who are hospitalized are asked to notify the church so the clergy can provide pastoral care, if desired.

### **Senior Warden's Report**

A Vestry Election Bylaws Sub-Committee has been formed. Tom Connors, Henri Brown, DD Hellebush, Bill Davis and Tog Newman are serving. The parish will be kept informed.

### **Junior Warden's Report**

In an action between meetings, the Vestry approved the addition of a bathroom on the lower level of the 875 Building.

### **New Business**

The OFAC Committee made recommendations to the Vestry regarding grants from the Stedman Memorial Fund. This year, the OFAC Committee decided to shift its focus to supporting smaller organizations. The committee recommended and the Vestry approved the following gifts of \$66,000 from the Stedman Fund: Crisis Control \$9,500, Forsyth Jail and Prison Ministries \$9,000, Hawley House \$14,500, The Parenting PATH \$8,000, Center of Hope \$9,000, Shalom Project \$9,000 and Veteran's Treatment Court \$7,000.

A gift of \$2500 was approved by the Vestry for St. Augustine's University in Raleigh, a historically black university founded by the Episcopal Church.

The Vestry approved \$6,000 for acolyte robes.