

ST. DAVID'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

2020 ANNUAL REPORT



KENNEBUNK, MAINE

Saint David's Mission Statement

To serve all God's children with the love, strength and wisdom of our Lord Jesus Christ.

We **celebrate** God's love for and unity with us through prayer and worship and by being Christ for one another.

We **strengthen** that love and unity by reaching out and reaching in, by living and learning Jesus' message in the world, and by embracing our oneness with all of God's creatures and creation.

We **invite** all to walk with us on this journey.

AGENDA

65th Annual Meeting
January 31, 2021

Call to Order

Andrew D'Angio White, Rector

Declaration of a Quorum

Karen Perka, Clerk

Vestry Election

Michael Donaghy, Warden

Treasurer's Report

Craig MacDonald, Treasure

Rector's Report

Fr. Andrew

Adjournment

OFFICIAL CHURCH REGISTER 2020

Baptisms - 1 Weddings - 1 Funerals - 4 Confirmations - 4

2020 VESTRY AT ST. DAVID'S

Ellen Tacy, Warden	Term Exp. 2021
Karen Perka, Clerk	Term Exp. 2021
Chris MacClinchy	Term Exp. 2021
Michael Donaghy	Term Exp. 2022
Ed Bellegarde (stepped down in 2020)	Term Exp. 2022
Tom Macisso (stepped down in 2021)	Term Exp. 2022
Craig MacDonald, Treasurer	Term Exp. 2022
Carol Weeks	Term Exp. 2022
Vivian Bachorik	Term Exp. 2023
Mary Provo	Term Exp. 2023

NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT

The Nominating Committee presents the following candidates for election to the positions indicated below:

Warden

(One person for one full two year term)

Term to Exp. 2023

Karen Perka

Clerk

(One person for one full two year term)

Term to Exp. 2023

Lori Beath

Vestry Members:

(Two persons to fulfill 2 one year remaining terms)

Term to Exp. 2022

Bruce Brauningner

Andrew Keene

(One person to fill one full three year term)

Term to Exp. 2024

Traverse Burnett

DELEGATES TO DIOCESAN CONVENTION

Up to 4 available positions:

To be elected by the Vestry in the spring. If you are interested in serving, contact Fr. Andrew or a member of the Vestry.

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TREASURER'S REPORT

I know the treasurer's report is to inform the parish about the church's financial position. This will be done, but after I present an emotional backdrop of what went on during 2020.

As you all know, we have been besieged by the two "C" words, Covid-19 and Cancer. Cancer has taken away one of our most dynamic and giving PEOPLE, Dick Clinton. His business expertise helped us navigate through some very troubled financial waters. He designed the work sheets and plans to guide St. David's into the future. I thank you Dick for all that you gave us. One of your legacies will be the financial future of St. David's Episcopal Church.

As for Covid-19, it has changed our lives forever. Thanks to the PPP stimulus money, we survived 2020, keeping our staff paid and allowing us to continue services and be a spiritual force throughout all of this. Thank you to Father

Andrew and all of his support people. One of the other positive things that have survived is the Budget Box. It continues to support our church and the community. Excellent job to all!

The figures look very strong! Thanks to all who met their pledge for 2020 and for the extra giving, we finished the year with \$28,500 cash on hand. This will be carried over into 2021. You all did a fantastic job of giving during these very difficult times.

The pandemic required us to cut back on many budget items. We designed the 2021 Budget based on a number of assumptions, listed here:

- 2021 Budget will be pro-rated based on ‘expected’ start up time for resumption of church activities.
- Semi Normal Worship starting on May 1
 - Worship, Coffee Hour to begin in limited form
 - Loose Plate, Building rental starts
 - No Nursery or Sunday school
 - Possible book sale fundraiser (outreach)
- Normal Worship starting Sept. 1
 - Nursery, Sunday school expenses begin
 - Harvest Fair fundraiser in some form
- Payroll
 - Rector – based on Diocesan Guidelines
 - Medical same as last year PPO 70 plan
 - Office Manager – FT to include Medical, Dental & Life insurance beginning June 1, 2021
 - Medical at PPO 80 (E+2)
 - Pastoral Musician – FT
 - Sexton – FT, hired before May 1, 2021
 - Nursery – starts when Sunday school begins
 - Education Director – starts Jul 1, paid by grant from Endowment
 - Added new position – Audio/Video Technician
- Building & Grounds
 - Operating expenses covered under Bldg. Repair & Maintenance
 - Capital Projects – covered in the new B&G Capital Account.
- Endowment Funds
 - Draw – 2021 as needed
 - ‘Borrow’ – 2020 as none was drawn from Endowment in 2020

The 2021 Approved Budget is:

2020 Budget/Actuals and 2021 Budget

Account	2020		2021
	2020 Budget	2020 Actual	2021 Budget
INCOME			
Pledges			
Pledges Current Year		245,916	
Prepaid Pledges			
Prior Year Pledges			
Total Pledges	250,000	245,916	250,000
Other Income			
Unrestricted Gifts	0	50	0
Loose Offering	15,000	10,414	10,000
Holidays	1,500	0	750
Rental Income-Bldg. Use	5,800	2,052	9,000
Housing Loan Int. Pay	1,028	1,028	1,028
Bank Interest Income	0	0	0
Fellowship Coffee Donations	600	161	300
Fundraising Operating Act.	15,000	510	15,000
Budget Box- Operating/Outreach	16,800	15,400	16,800
Misc. Income	300	4,275	1,920
Altar Guild	4,000	1,405	2,500
PPP Funds		49,645	0
Endowment Draw for 2020	20,000	0	20,000
Endowment Draw for 2021			22,000
Endowment Fund Seed	7,000	0	8,000
Endowment Borrow	0	0	0
Total Other Income	87,028	84,940	107,298
Transfers from Reserve Acct	0	0	0
TOTAL INCOME	337,028	330,856	357,298
EXPENSES			

Rector Compensation			
Rector's Salary (TCC)	55,000	54,677	
Total Rector Compensation	125,761	128,493	131,319
Additional Clergy Accounts			
Supply Priest	2,000	620	1,250
Total Additional Cl. Accts	3,900	1,020	2,900
Other Staff			
Office Manager Salary	28,964	28,964	28,964
Total Other Staff	76,319	75,340	90,513
Occupancy Expense			
BB Rent		3,975	
Total Occupancy Expense	14,450	15,333	14,450
Property Maintenance			
Total Property Maintenance	23,000	15,651	18,600
Operating Expenses			
Total Operating Expenses	18,015	17,724	17,565
Insurance			
Property/Liability/Bond	6,120	5,300	6,242
Total Insurance	7,242	6,066	7,387
Christian Education			
Adult Education	1,000	0	500
Total Christian Education	17,995	414	11,925
Worship			
Worship Supplies	1,200	767	1,200
Total Worship	5,200	3,424	3,200
Music			
Instrument tuning/Repair	725	728	725
Total Music	1,225	1,218	1,225
Diocesan Expenses			
Total Diocesan Expenses	40,966	41,140	41,979
Operating Fundraising Expense			
Fair & Special Events	600	<u>0</u>	<u>600</u>
Total Operating Fund Expense	600	0	600
Outreach Expenses			
Total Outreach Expenses	16,501	15,227	17,465

TOTAL EXPENSES	351,174	321,050	359,128
INCOME vs EXPENSE SUMMARY			
Total Ordinary Income	337,028	330,856	357,298
Total Expenses	351,174	321,050	359,128

**St. David's
Restricted Account
Year End 2020**

	Beginning Balance	Current Income	Current Expenses	Ending Balance
	1/1/2020			12/31/2020
Building Fund	\$6,100.00	\$3,125.00	\$4,036.50	\$5,188.50
Capital Improvements	\$17.07	\$14,855.89	\$6,554.99	\$8,317.97
Celebration Garden	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Chandler Deacon Grant	\$1,767.15	\$0.00	\$1,767.15	\$0.00
Endowment Interest	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Borrow from Endowment 2017	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Borrow from Endowment 2018	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Haiti Project	\$1,816.00	\$1,200.00	\$2,400.00	\$616.00
Hands Across Community	\$920.00	\$5,667.00	\$6,182.00	\$405.00
Junior Choir	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$100.00
Laundry Love	\$761.89	\$1,785.00	\$1,846.00	\$700.89
*Memorial Fund	\$13,987.55	\$368.00	\$11,587.64	\$2,767.91
Memorial Garden	\$5,666.22	\$2,453.00	\$3,346.25	\$4,772.97
Music Ministry	\$90.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$90.00
Outreach Fund	\$1,357.84	\$23,879.75	\$15,147.06	\$10,090.53
Pre-paid Pledges	\$26,664.30	\$29,010.00	\$26,664.30	\$29,010.00
Sabbatical Fund	\$3,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$3,000.00
Centering Prayer	\$2,322.25	\$480.00	\$79.01	\$2,723.24
Total Restricted Account	\$64,570.27	\$82,823.64	\$79,610.90	\$67,783.01

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*Memorial Fund money was used to fund the Audio/Video System

St. David's 2020 Cash Account Balances

	Balance	Ending	
	1/1/2020	12/31/2020	
Operating checking account (KBS)	\$19,070	\$28,507	
Designated Account (KBS)	\$64,570	\$67,783	
Rector/Deacons Discretionary (KBS)	\$2,531	\$1,952	
*Reserve Accounts (Diocese)	\$14,890	\$3,255	as of 9/30/2020
ENDOWMENT (Diocese)	\$404,097	\$460,377	as of 9/30/2020
Budget Box (KBS)	\$28,908	\$16,800	

*The Reserve Account was surrendered to fund the new Restricted – Capital Improvements

FINANCE

The Finance Committee is charged by the Vestry to oversee the financial affairs and governance of St. David's. Committee members typically have a professional background in business and finance. However parishioners with non-financial experience are welcome to join, participate and learn about the financial side of the church.

The Committee's responsibilities include:

- Preparation and recommendation of the annual **budget** to the Vestry
- **Monitoring** the Church's income and expenses against the annual budget
- Managing the short-term **cash flow**
- Overseeing our reserve accounts and **investments**
- Recommending **spending** and investment policy to the Vestry
- Providing financial **guidance** to the Treasurer, Clergy and Wardens
- Participation in the **Long Range Plan**, and identification of long-term capital needs
- Support to our **Stewardship** ministry
- Financial governance **oversight** including accounting, audit, bookkeeping, counters

We were sad to learn of Dick Clinton's passing. He was long time member of the Finance Committee, serving as chair for many years, as well as Assistant Treasurer and a member of Stewardship. We will miss his financial expertise and infectious optimism.

Our involvement this year was limited due to the pandemic, with most meetings done remotely via Zoom. The committee focused on the creation of a Building & Grounds capital plan and fund, support of changes to the 2020 operating budget, and development of the 2021 budget. Members include David Monks, Craig MacDonald-Treasurer, Rick Lombardi, Bob Pagano, Matthew Sudsbury-Francois, and Alex Sudsbury-Francois.

STEWARDSHIP

The Stewardship Ministry represents and promotes our parish-wide approach to spiritual giving in the form of our time, talent and treasure.

Members represent a diversity of backgrounds and share a common desire to interact with members of the parish throughout the year.

The Ministry normally meets twice a month during August through December and then monthly thereafter. Due to the pandemic, all meetings this year were held on Zoom and in-person visitations were conducted via phone and e-mail.

Ministry responsibilities include:

- Generating pledge income to help fund St. David's ministries and operations
- Development and implementation of the stewardship outreach plan
- Visitations with members of the parish to solicit constructive feedback and pledge commitments
- Maintenance of our stewardship database
- Planning and hosting stewardship events
- Managing and promoting planned giving
- Coordinating our efforts with the Vestry and Finance Committee

Despite the limitations of the pandemic, we received pledge commitments totaling \$250,000 from 115 parishioners, including 18 first-time pledgers.

Core ministry members include: Bruce Brauninger, John Cuzzo, Andrew D'Angio White, Alice Ferran, Rick Lombardi, Bob Pagano (Chair), and Davis Robinson.

The ministry wishes to acknowledge the loss of long-time member and colleague Dick Clinton, who faithfully served with us for many years and who passed away during the year.

In addition to the above, we are also grateful for the visitation support we received from Eric Mihan and Jack Wilde, as well as the ongoing administrative support from Cathy Zub.

Respectfully submitted,

Bob Pagano

ENDOWMENT

Your Board of Trustees respectfully submits this annual report in order that this Parish may be fully aware of the significant value that the Endowment provides to St. David's Episcopal Church. The Endowment provides a safe and secure depository for bequests of all types that will enable the Parish to fulfill its mission.

As custodians of the Fund, our role is, to the best of our ability, to protect the Corpus for the long-term. Our goal is to grow, or at least maintain, a significant balance in the Fund while taking inflationary effects into account, and enabling St. David's to support the needs of the congregation.

Unfortunately, everything changed with the Pandemic and it will be some time before the new normal has arrived.

What follows are the specifics that we presented in last year's report as a reminder:

1. The Endowment policy and the Corpus are good foundations that can enable funding new ministries and other needs without modifications, and without risking depletion of the Corpus.
2. The 'Extraordinary Circumstance Distribution (the Grant process)' in the policy can effectively be utilized to fund new ministries, and we, once again, urge those responsible to take advantage of the Grant process. The seed funding of a new educational director ministry is an example.
3. The St. David's operations budget needs, at least for several years, to be bolstered by an increase in the policy enabled distributions. The trustees continue to analyze the effects and are confident that having raised the disbursement level to 5% of the Corpus will not risk depletion. Our belief is that, given the size of the Corpus (which increased in 2020), at over

\$400,000, and considering projections of new bequests and a continuation of thriving markets, we should be able to provide increased support for several years.

4. For 2021, the Policy enabled disbursement will be \$20,000. The Trustees urge the Treasurer and the finance committee to factor this into the final 2020 Budget. And, in order to minimize negative effects on the Corpus that such disbursements be made on a quarterly basis rather than one lump sum. Further that the specific uses of these funds be identified as part of the budgeting exercise.

5. Trustees also continue to support an effort to set up, as part of the Endowment, a separate and distinct long term capital needs fund.

6. Lastly, having reviewed the draft Budget for 2021, we urge the following:

- a. The \$20,000 to be taken in 2021 for policy enabled disbursement.
- b. We suggest that the Grant process be utilized to secure any shortfall.

On behalf of your Board of Trustees:

Dave Monks, Chairman

Jim Eickmann, Rick Lombardi

RECTOR'S DISCRETIONARY FUND

The Rector's Discretionary Fund is designated for "pious and charitable purposes." It's a way for the Rector, at their discretion, to assist various individuals and groups. It is funded by a monthly contribution from the parish, as well as by special offerings from individuals. In addition, it is my practice to deposit fees and gifts received from funerals, baptisms, or other services into the discretionary fund.

Distributions from the discretionary fund are always confidential, but are not, as a general rule, paid directly to individuals. People seeking help contact me directly, or are referred by General Assistance or the local clergy association. It is often a way to help people who need help, but who might not qualify for public aid. Most of the time, we are assisting with costs that just wouldn't be met otherwise – past due rent, emergency housing, gas, utilities, and other costs that help keep people in their homes and working. We also help people passing through the area get to where they need to go. From time to time, we offer support to other organizations. I'm grateful to the Sunoco station in downtown Kennebunk, the Lodge at

Kennebunk, and the Port Inn in Kennebunk for their support this year in helping those in need.

2020, of course, was an unusual one for the discretionary fund. In addition to one significant gift to help a local family in need, there were many generous contributions that allowed the fund to offer considerable support to those who requested it. Additionally, we were able to support the purchase of antiracism materials for KHS students.

Thank you for your support of this fund and the small but important role it plays in the ministry of our church. Thanks to your stewardship and generosity, we are able to offer a tangible sign of God’s grace in the form of a little (and sometimes a big!) leg up, without any strings attached.

Andrew

2020 Starting Balance: \$451.80

Income

Parish Support:	\$1,800
Special Contributions:	\$7,200
Honoraria:	\$1,700
Total Income:	\$10,700

Expenses

Rent Assistance:	\$1,250
Gas Cards:	\$1,400
Food:	\$641.89
Motel/temp. housing:	\$700.78
Community Assistance:	\$5,200
Outside Contributions:	\$200
KHS Antiracism materials	\$651.57
Total Expenses:	\$10,044.24

2020 Closing Balance: \$1,107.56

WORSHIP

Worship has certainly changed this year at St. David's! When the pandemic made it unsafe to gather in person, we quickly moved to online worship. We chose Facebook Live because it is a format with which we are familiar (having used it once in the winter of 2018 when snow forced us to cancel services) and it didn't require a great deal of set up.

Thanks to the hard work of a dedicated team of volunteers: Ellen Tacy, Holly Margeson-Gamache, Jackie Belmonte, Karen Perka, Mary Provo, John Cuzzo, who work with our verger, Bill Rhines, our Pastoral Musician, Tom Kovacevic, and the clergy, we have been able to fine tune our online worship experience. As you've no doubt seen, we've had our fair share of missteps and frustrations as we've experimented with different ways of bringing our worship service to everyone at home. However, we have worked out the initial kinks, and have budgeted this year for an AV technician to help us with Sunday broadcasts as we continue to get our feet under us.

One highlight of this year was our drive-in Christmas Eve service, which was a huge success, thanks to the efforts of Jackie Belmonte, in securing an effective short-range FM transmitter and Earl Tracy and Bruce Gowdy, in constructing a platform and organizing parking. Around 45 carloads of people gathered to hear the Good News of Christ's birth, and the sound of honking horns at the end was as enthusiastic as any hymn! We are looking ahead to using that same arrangement for future services.

The biggest developments have been the purchase of a new audio video system which allows us to live stream our service from a camera mounted in the sanctuary, and the overall upgrade of our internet to a cable connection. A faster internet connection was needed to broadcast our services via video. Thanks especially to Steve Tacy, who has been instrumental in setting up a new wireless network, and to Craig MacDonald, who worked tirelessly in putting together an affordable package with Spectrum. Both of these developments speak to an overarching consideration: that livestreaming worship is here to stay, long after the pandemic. We are excited to be able to offer this way of connecting with our whole congregation, near and far!

Of course, the question on everyone's mind is when will we be able to resume in-person worship? While there are no guarantees, we expect the Bishop's request to worship online only to continue for a few more months, based on a number of factors. In the meantime, we are continuing to seek creative ways to gather for online and/or physically-distanced worship as circumstances permit.

Jesus said that when two or three are gathered in his name, he will be in the midst of us. If ever there was a time to take him at his word, this is it. Thanks be to God for God's faithfulness, and to each of you for yours.

The Rev. Andrew D'Angio White

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND PJ CHURCH

When the pandemic made gathering in person unsafe, we finished out our Sunday School year by sharing videos of lessons as well as simple activities emailed to parents. In the fall, we launched PJ Church, our Sunday morning Zoom service especially for children and families. We gather to share in music, stories from Scripture, and pray together. Many thanks to Kate Keene, Michelle Keniston, and Cynthia McDonnell for their leadership in the first part of the year, as well as to all of our Sunday school teachers who are waiting in the wings!

We are excited about the prospect this year of hiring a part-time Children's Formation Coordinator who will help organize and plan children's formation activities in the pandemic and beyond it.

Rev. Andrew D'Angio White

DEACONS' REPORTS

It's been a year of starting strong, stopping completely, and returning to activity with new guidelines. Community Soup Lunch was a casualty of COVID 19. In January and February lunch was served in the Great Hall with diners enjoying the company of one another while enjoying homemade soup and crackers and dessert. On any given Tuesday there were, on average, fifty folks enjoying lunch. March came and community soup lunch was cancelled due to the pandemic. In August, soup lunch was reorganized with soup and its fixings offered as a curbside pickup. Soups and desserts were homemade, and a patron could choose from available choices and a masked volunteer brought the lunch to the car. All volunteers were masked and wore gloves while serving; the church was closed to everyone but the volunteers. This has been our practice with some minor tweaking since August. When warmer weather comes it may be possible to invite people to bring a lawn chair and socially distance somewhere on the church grounds. Baby steps for now.

I have also been a part of the calling ministry and the weekly devotional ministry. I find this a good way to stay in touch with folks. I also, am a part of a “Sacred Ground” study group. I continue to serve on Outreach and closely follow Hands Across Our Community food pantry. This has been a challenging time for families whose income has been impacted by the pandemic. My three-year commitment to the St. Elizabeth’s Jubilee Center ended in December. It is a strong organization serving the immigrant and refugee population of the Greater Portland area.

I have served at the Facebook live services at St. David’s; church in a new way, but church with a very present God. I am content to serve in this way, but like all of you I look forward to the day when we can gather in person, pray together, come to the altar to receive communion, and lustily sing our favorite hymns. Until that time, I hold you in prayer and love and miss you all.

The Rev. Kris Conley

2020 has been a different kind of year for us! We have had to find ways to be together, yet apart. I miss being able to make Eucharistic visits and to gather with you all in person, yet I also recognize some of the blessings of the necessary distance we have had to maintain. I have tried to look at this time as an extended silent retreat!!

I continue to serve at Sunday services, via Facebook, alternating Sundays with our other deacon, Kris Conley, and I continue attending monthly vestry meetings on Zoom. Because we are not able to gather in person, we have created a “Call List” in order to stay in touch with our parishioners. I am one of 15 volunteers who make calls and/or send notes to our parishioners every 3 weeks or so. We also have 7 volunteers, of which I am one, who write daily devotions that are sent out via email to those who wish to receive them. If you do not receive them and wish to, please let me know.

I graduated in December from a 2 year certificate program “Forest Dwelling: Spirituality for Our Wisdom Years” offered at Oblate School of Theology in San Antonio, TX. As a result of my participation in that program, I began a series in Jan. 2019 at St. David’s called “Spirituality for our Wisdom Years.” We were half way through part V of that series when COVID struck. We transitioned to Zoom and lost some members who were not familiar with the new Zoom technology. I am planning to resume this series and have been working on designing several more parts to it. Stay tuned for more information about that. Now that Zoom is no

longer new, I am better able to help others navigate through this fairly simple technology.

I continue to be a prayer guide on Wednesday mornings, during the academic year, for people experiencing the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius of Loyola. The “spiritual exercises” are offered as a retreat in the world and we meet once a week for 30 weeks from October-May. Currently we are meeting on Zoom. The retreat is a vehicle through which the retreatants have an opportunity to develop a closer, more personal relationship with Jesus, as well as to discern God’s call to them in the ordinary circumstances of their lives. The retreat is non-denominational. I would be happy to speak to anyone interested in learning more about this local spiritual resource.

On the Diocesan level, I am serving my last term on Diocesan Council. The Council consists of the Bishop and his staff and elected clergy and lay representatives from all 8 areas of the Diocese. We meet several times a year to conduct the business of the Diocese. I also serve on the Clergy Formation Committee, a committee made up of the Bishop and several priests and deacons from the Diocese of Maine. We plan annual clergy retreats and quiet days.

Though this has been a challenging year for all of us, I have never felt the presence of the Holy Spirit in and all around us as closely as I have these last 10 months.

The Rev. Gail Chandler

OUTREACH

For the Outreach Committee, the new year began as usual. We held a very productive annual planning session in January in which we reviewed existing programs, proposed new initiatives, prioritized organizations for monthly funding, and scheduled fundraising events. The Committee’s 2020 calendar was full and our team was eager to implement plans. Then Covid arrived.

By early March, Outreach needed to rethink how to “do” a ministry which is largely hands-on, and still adhere to restrictions required during a pandemic.

- **Laundry Love** was resumed in May when Outreach began providing gift certificates (through Seeds of Hope) in lieu of holding a monthly event at Booms Laundry. Between 20-25 families utilize these certificates every month.

- In August with Vestry approval, the **Community Soup Lunch** program began offering take-out lunches outside the church front door. On average each month, 40 neighbors enjoy homemade soups, crackers, desserts and bottled water.
- The **Food Box Program**, an outdoor activity serving 30 seniors each month, continued without interruption. During the summer months, seniors received fresh produce along with their box of imperishable food. In addition, St. David's volunteers participated in area-wide food initiatives, helping to distribute hundreds of boxes of food to our neighbors in Biddeford and Sanford.
- **Hands Across Our Community**. With the generosity of St. David's community, over 32,000 pounds of food (a new record!) were collected at the church and then distributed by Community Outreach Services of the Kennebunks at their new facility on Park Street. Outreach is grateful for these donations given the growth of food insecurity throughout Maine this past year.
- A **Winter Coat Drive for St. Elizabeth's Essentials Pantry** collected outerwear and boots for adults from late August into October with weekly deliveries to the pantry in Portland.

Financial Support:

With the incredible financial contributions of St. David's community and the Budget Box, Outreach was able to provide monthly disbursements to St. Elizabeth's Pantry in Portland, Seeds of Hope Neighborhood Center in Biddeford, Harmony La Salle School in Haiti, Full Plates, Full Potential in Portland, and Doctors Without Borders. Outreach monies also went to support refugees in Portland through St. Elizabeth's Pantry; and in Biddeford, through the local Welcoming Immigrants Program (WIONN). In addition, funds went to support Episcopal Relief and Development Fund; Caring Unlimited, with contributions to St. David's school back-pack drive and annual Christmas celebration; Christmas baskets for Community Outreach Services; and for the purchase of books as part of Kennebunk High School's anti-racism initiative this past fall.

Additional thanks go to the following for the invaluable contributions of:

- **The Budget Box**. Without the vision and tireless dedication on the part of leadership and volunteers of the Budget Box which contributed \$700 each month to Outreach (even during the pandemic!), St.

David's could not have helped so many essential organizations and initiatives.

- **St. David's Outreach Volunteers.** In recent years, dozens of parishioners participated in Outreach Committee events and programs. This past year during Covid, volunteers were understandably fewer in number but commitment remained enthusiastic and steadfast.

Beginning this month, Mary Provo and John Cuozzo will become Outreach Committee Co-Chairs. Each brings to this ministry extensive leadership experience in community outreach and a deep commitment to supporting those in need.

The Outreach Committee looks ahead to 2021 with optimism and abiding faith that our resources and ingenuity will keep up with the needs of those we serve. We give thanks for the generosity and countless acts of service of St. David's community in 2020 and welcome all who wish to join our efforts in the coming year.

Outreach Committee Members in 2020 were: Sue Andrews, Nancy Clinton (Chair), The Rev. Kris Conley, John Cuozzo, Gail Freeman (Financial Secretary), Susan Goettlich (Recording Secretary), Polly Gosselin (Financial Historian), Carolyn Gowdy, Holly Margeson Gamache, Betsy Mihan, Eric Mihan, Mary Provo, Davis Robinson and Suzanne Robinson.

Nancy Clinton

Outreach Distributions for 2020

Camp Bishopswood Episcopal Diocese of Maine	\$600.00	Summer Scholarship for Camper
Caring Unlimited	575.00	Domestic Violence Shelter - Back-packs and Christmas Gifts
Community Outreach Kennebunk High School	500.00	Purchase of Books for KHS Anti-racism Project

Community Outreach Services of Kennebunk (COS)	7749.00	HAOC - Kennebunk Food Pantry; Christmas Baskets
Doctors Without Borders*	1200.00	Global Medical Relief
Episcopal Relief and Development	500.00	Disaster Relief
Full Plates, Full Potential*	1200.00	Hunger Relief Programs for Maine Children
Haiti Nursing Foundation	500.00	Support for the Advancement of Nursing in Haiti
Harmony School - Haiti*	2400.00	Teachers' Salaries, School Supplies
Laundry Love Booms Laundry, Biddeford	2022.00	Washer/Dryer expenses
Preble Street - Portland	250.00	Homeless Shelters with Resources for Hunger and Poverty
St. David's Card Ministry	233.00	Postage/Supplies
St. Elizabeth's Jubilee Center* in Portland	2886.00	Essentials Pantry serving over 300 weekly; Linens and Towels

Seeds of Hope Neighborhood Center* in Biddeford	2400.00	Drop-In Center Providing Hospitality and Essential Social Services
Welcoming Immigrants (WIONN)	1000.00	Support for Biddeford Immigrant Families
TOTAL:	\$24,015.00	

* Receives monthly financial support

ST. DAVID'S BUDGET BOX

My last paragraph in 2019's annual report said "We have a huge job ahead of us next year. But I know with such a wonderful dedicated group, we will again surpass 2019." We still have a wonderful dedicated group, but there was no way we were going to be able to surpass 2019.

Unfortunately we closed the shop March 14th due to the pandemic. After a lot of discussion and detailed planning of our safety measures, we reopened the shop August 1st. At that time, eleven volunteers decided not to return due to health concerns.

We decided to only open the store Wednesday through Saturday; changing our hours to Wednesday through Friday from 11 to 4, and Saturday from 10 to 4. Monday and Tuesday are open for consignments and donations only from 10 to 1, with no shopping. Sue Andrews, Sandy Barton, Jeanne Kita Burke, Pat Bourque (a new volunteer), Jill Twombly, and I work Monday and Tuesday from 10 to 1 on consignments and donations. We had to change how we physically distanced, spreading work stations throughout the store while Jeanne chose to set up outside to receive items from donors. We have been very lucky weather-wise.

From January through March 14th, our gross profit was \$13,164.61. August to December the profit was \$29,740.56 totaling \$42,905.17, about half of what we made last year. We were still able to give the church the \$1400.00 for operations and outreach. We were able to pay out rent. Bob, our landlord, gave us a month free. The diocese gave us some monies to help offset our expenses. We did have to cut back on our own charitable donations.

One of the best decisions we made before we reopened in August was to accept credit cards. Thanks to our hardworking dedicated treasurer, Karen Perka (who spent hours researching much information), found the right fit to work with our consign-pro system. Credit card sales have increased our overall sales tremendously and we wish we had done it sooner.

Many of the organizations that received our clothing and household donations stopped taking them due to the pandemic so we had to find new outlets for our goods. Salvation Army started picking up. Our teams of the Burkes, Kate and Jim and Jeanne and Jack, have been taking clothes to Goodwill as well. Janet Oliver is our official Safe Haven person. Sue Andrews, Linda Beane, Peter Fuller, and Jill Twombly took clothing as well before Covid. I am grateful for their continuing this outreach.

We had two wonderful cats that spent February through most of December with us helping out a friend of our deacon in training, Jean Cavanaugh. Emmy and Boo were wonderful company and we miss them terribly. They are now happily living back with their owner.

We enjoyed the Blessing of the Animals again this year outside in early October.

We are down to a small group of volunteers now. They consist of Sue Andrews, Jane Bellegarde, Sandy Barton, Jeanne Kita Burke, Torry DiDonato, Ruth Dater, Gail Freeman, Jaquie MacDonald, Gale Mazzei, Linda Mignault, Janet Oliver, Karen Perka, Laura Randall, Eleanor Saboski, Ellen Tacy, Dawne Tilton, Jill Twombly, and Ba White. Maroo Eymontt continues to come in on her own time and take care of our jewelry section. I am hopeful that once we get back to normal, Debbie Campbell, Gillian Charbonneau, June Cronin, Sue Cryer, Sheila Cunningham, Ann Mallory, Harriet Mill, Elaine Nicholson, Janet Phelps, Viv Shubert, and Karen Smith will be back. We have missed them. We closed down one time from December 10th to December 21st for a suspected COVID exposure.

Thank you is hardly enough to say to all our volunteers for all that they did to help get and keep the shop running through this incredible time.

It has been a year of challenge and change and one we will never forget. Let us all pray for a safe return to a more normal life.

Respectfully submitted,
Carolyn Gowdy

BUILDING AND GROUNDS MINISTRY

Even though many things have slowed down at St. David's, the Building and Grounds Committee had a busy and challenging year. Listed below are projects that the Committee completed thanks to many dedicated individuals.

Contracted Projects:

- Built new roof over the LP Tank area and replaced cedar shingles on the inside corner behind the LP Tank.
- Made repairs as required and painted the church steeple.

Indoor Projects:

- Painted part of back wall in sanctuary.
- Repaired wall and secured partitions to wall in Deacons' office
- Cleanup in basement included discarding old files, broken items and obsolete items.

Outdoor Projects:

- Trimmed brush and trees along wooded area around church property with main concentration being the wooded area between the playground set and the Memorial Garden on back side of church. Chipped brush as required.
- Cleaned sand and small growth along edge of parking lot to gain estimated 3 feet in width of paved parking.
- Cut down multi stem pine tree next to access walkway from parking lot to church then installed railings on each side of walkway over drainage ditch.
- Removed old swing set then cleared playground area of stumps and twigs, and leveled area with fill.

- Assembled new playground swing set and put down 10 yards of mulch in the surrounding area.
- Painted trim around new roof and cedar shingles at LP tank area.
- Applied vinegar on cracks of sidewalks and parking lot to eliminate grass and weed growth.
- Painted Handicap symbol on pavement and lines to identify parking spaces.
- Built platform for outdoor Christmas Eve Service and possible future outdoor services.

Clean up Days:

This year as I mentioned, has not been a normal year. We did not have a spring clean-up day due to the pandemic. We decided to have a fall clean-up day in hopes to accomplish enough around the church grounds that we could save on paying someone to do the work.

We accomplished just that thanks to several dedicated people who showed up on a chilly morning. A couple of individuals continued to clean along the wood line between the playground and Memorial Garden while others raked leaves and cleaned out the flower beds.

We would like to thank everyone who showed up for the fall cleanup day: John Cuzzo, Father Andrew, Michael Donaghy, John Dulude, Bruce Gowdy, Fred Madore, Mary Provo, and Earl Tracy, as well as a special thanks to Bishop Rosemary Ananis and Pat Emery of St. Francis.

The 2020 Building and Grounds Committee consisted of: Ed Despres, Michael Donaghy, John Dulude, Bruce Gowdy, Fred Madore, and Earl Tracy.

ST. DAVID'S FLOWER GUILD

2020, what can I say? With the closing of in-person worship in March, there were no Easter flowers. Silks remained on the altar until fall when Fr. Andrew wanted a change and who could blame him! I gathered hydrangeas from my yard and dried them in vases. They lasted well until the season of Advent. Deb Howard dressed up the outside urns with mums which helped to give a more welcoming look to the front of the church.

We wanted greens for Advent so I used silks and mixed them with holly from my yard. This year I had red berries so it brought a little color to the altar. Again, Deb put greens in the urns outside.

For the Christmas service, Andrew chose to continue with floral arrangements so Heather (Calluna Florist) and I decided to use roses, white Fuji Chrysanthemums, Stock, and greens. A low arrangement on the organ and a large poinsettia in front of the lectern added enough festive color for the camera to capture for the online service.

It was a very quiet year for the Flower Guild. Let us hope 2021 brings us back to our church and church family.

Respectfully submitted,

Carolyn Gowdy

THE CELEBRATION GARDEN

A small group of volunteers work to maintain the garden as a place for quiet reflection and prayer. Our active members are: Vivian Bachorik, Sheila Cunningham, Susan Goettlich, Sheila Kayser, Betsy MacDonald, Nancy Monks, Karen (and Ed) Welles, and Ba White. Ann Browne, Bootsie Stewart, and Harriet Mill, are faithful supporters and advisors.

The garden slept through the first quarter of 2020 and as we tried to think of planning and planting in the Spring, the pandemic restricted our activities. The benches were brought out supporting socially distanced conversations. The Apostles Urn was planted with white flowers, the bird bath reopened and the grass was fertilized.

And we watched and waited. We hung white lights for Christmas.

Sheila Cunningham

THE MEMORIAL GARDEN

Saint David's Memorial Garden has been a part of our church landscape since 2002. During the last nineteen years we have often slowly and reverently walked out to the Garden following a memorial service to inter the cremated remains of

more than forty-four members and family friends of Saint David's. Each and every time has been a spiritual and touching way to send a loved one home.

The Memorial Garden has continued to add new chapters to its never-ending story along the way from its beginning. This most recent 2020 continued the story as a quiet year for the Memorial Garden due to the Pandemic. It did, however, see a few lovely services of Evening Prayer throughout the summer despite the rain. We Saint David's folks are nothing if not a bunch of hearty souls.

This summer also saw the addition of seven Arbor vitae planted in the Garden as a buffer from Highway sound. This is an effort to keep our Garden quiet and peaceful for those who are in it and those who visit them there.

Thanks once again to the kind and thoughtful gentlemen of the Building and Grounds Committee who continue to oversee the writing of new chapters in the Memorial Garden's never-ending story. They are good and generous mindful stewards of the Garden and their hard work and care of it is noticed and always appreciated.

If you should be interested in learning more about the Memorial Garden and would like to talk about the possibility of resting there yourself someday, please call Jeanne Kita Burke at 985-7487. It would be a pleasure to meet with you.

Jeanne

CENTERING PRAYER

"Be still and know that I am God" Ps 46:10

An ever growing ministry of Centering Prayer at St. David's has been tested and matured through the technology of Zoom during COVID 19, and the unwithering weathering of our Zoommeister, John Cuzzo, for whom we are so grateful. Centering Prayer at St. David's draws us into the ever deepening, stilling, assurance of God with us, present in Jesus through one another and through our sister summer parish at St. Ann's by the Sea, Kennebunkport with the Rev. Peter G. Cheney (who served from June 15- Aug 15), and the Rev. Luis Leon (who served from Aug 15 – Sept 15) with facilitators at both St. Ann's and St. David's, Eric Vaughan and –Suzanne Robinson; Lectio Divina with Rev. Gwen as facilitator.

From January-March 15, 2020, St. David's Centering Prayer met Tuesdays from 9:30-11 am in the Library. Thereafter, we met on-line, focusing our study following Centering Prayer on Fr. Thomas Keating's *The Mystery of Love*; and *The Cloud of Unknowing* by Carmen Acevedo Butcher and Ira Progoff. In July, 2020, *Lectio Divina* was facilitated by the Rev. Gwen Purushotham and the Rev. Luis Leon on Zoom and has now been established as an integral river flowing out of our time of Centering Prayer. It was discerned that the ongoing focus of our *Lectio* was drawing us into a year long pilgrimage with Fr. Henri Nouwen's *Jesus "A Gospel"* which changes the way we view the Gospels, ourselves and what it means to live a rich spiritual life." Meditations from Fr. Henri companion the text, along with luminous pen and ink drawings by the great Master, Rembrandt van Rijn.

It is with open heart and mind that we seek to listen for the movement of the Holy Spirit raising up prayers, lectors, facilitators, or presenters of Centering Prayer in the hope of welcoming those new to the practice, expanding and reaching those who may never have heard of or experienced the deep, inner stillness of Centering Prayer through consenting to the transforming action of the presence of God within. Our facilitator has completed 36 hours of training as a Presenter to offer the practice to Church groups who so desire it. Eric Vaughan is now a facilitator. Deacon Barnwell is in the process of becoming the Coordinator of a Contemplative Outreach Chapter of Maine, centered in Kennebunk. Stay tuned for further information on Workshops, Quiet Days, and Centering Prayer Classes on *Lectio-Divina*, and *The Welcoming Prayer*. All who seek to know more about Centering Prayer, email opraise@his.com. To God be the Glory!

Suzanne Robinson

DAILY DEVOTIONS

Daily Devotions spawned from a simple idea of texting a friend on a daily basis sending a reflection and scripture, not only to stay connected when sheltering at home, but also to grow spiritually. Father Andrew asked the Vestry for ideas of how we can stay connected and reach out to those who are being challenged by the pandemic. That was when Karen Perka chimed in and shared what she had been doing already for a friend that could easily grow into a more formalized ministry. We have clergy and laity who have chosen a day in the week to write a devotion and send it to Karen. Karen in turn, sends the devotions out to a group of 32 people who expressed interest in being part of this ministry.

INTERCESSORY PRAYER

The Intercessory Prayer Team consists of nine intercessors who intentionally pray daily for parishioners, friends, and families who have asked for prayers. This group came to being when Mary Elizabeth Nordstrom suggested we start this important prayer ministry. Karen Perka heard God's call and is the point person for the team. Special prayer requests come to this team asking for immediate prayer support for their friends and families who are dealing with life's challenges. Those who we pray for on Sundays during the Prayers of the People, are also prayed for daily.

HOSPITALITY

The Hospitality Committee is responsible for receptions related to weddings, funerals, and fellowship events at St. David's. Specific responsibilities include:

- Organizing hosts for Sunday coffee hour following worship
- Providing coffee and supplies
- Set up and clean up for all events

This is a big job and requires a lot of organization and communication, and they do this very well! Jackie Belmonte took over the Chair position in 2020 and organized a meeting with the members of the ministry to begin a new year. A big snowstorm prevented many members from attending, but none-the-less minutes were drafted, and the ministry was off and running.

The big event to kick off 2020 was the Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper and Talent Show. It was the usual success with good food, fellowship, and a variety of great talent to go around.

Cabinets were organized and labeled, the freezer was unplugged and cleaned, and all excess items that were not part of St. David's kitchen were placed on a table in the Great Hall for parishioners to pick up. Hosting coffee hour was proposed to each of the ministries at St. David's.

Jackie did some research and found a potential new dishwasher for the kitchen that was reasonably priced. St. Francis of Assisi donated \$1,000 toward its purchase.

March 15 was the last in person worship service held at St. David's. Hospitality events were cancelled through the end of the year.

In August, Jackie stepped down from the position of Chair of the Hospitality Committee. Currently as all services are offered online only, the Hospitality Ministry continues to be inactive.

Cathy Zub, Parish Administrator

THE MARTHA CIRCLE

The Martha Circle is a caring group of volunteer "Angels" who provides meals to parishioners who are in need of temporary assistance. Our primary goal is to bring meals for a specific number of days to those who are ill and/or recovering from an injury. In 2020, we delivered 22 meals, a lower number than in the past, likely due to stay at home orders during the pandemic.

The following individuals are the kind volunteers who make and deliver meals: Mary Arcidiacono, Sarah Armentrout, Jane Bellegarde, Ginger Bevan, Joanne Brauning, Kate Chappell, Gillian Charbonneau, Sharron Eastman, Alice Ferran, Susan Goettlich, Polly Gosselin, Carolyn Gowdy, Deb Howard, Donna Lombardi, Priscilla Madore, Betsy MacDonald, Karen Perka, Janet Phelps, and Mary Provo. For more information about the group, please contact Carolyn Kershaw at 967.3487 or cgkershaw@gmail.com.

HARVEST FAIR

Faced with the increasing spread of Covid 19 in the early spring, the Fair Committee table chairs met via Zoom to discuss what to do about the upcoming Harvest Fair. We explored several options including moving the event to the parking lot; changing to an online format for selected the events; or limiting participants to just parishioners. It was finally decided to cancel the fair, based on the increasing spread of the virus; the uncertainty of the ever changing pandemic restrictions; and concerns about the impact on parishioners, businesses and community participants. While there is still no clear vision for the next year, we are optimistic about our chances to make the 2021 Harvest Fair another successful event that allows us to demonstrate our love for each other and the community.

And we hope this will give everyone more time to clean out your basement, work on your favorite crafts and prepare for next year's fair!
If you are interested in helping out or have suggestions/ideas for the 2021 fair, please contact one of the committee table chairs:

Raffle Baskets - Nancy Clinton, Diane Pagano, Deb Howard
Table of Treasures – Lori Parkinson
Lunch at the Fair – Dave Bowen
Bake Table – Carolyn Kershaw, Susan Goettlich, Holly Margeson-Gamache
Silent Auction – Sharron Eastman
Tools and Technology Table – Billy McSherry
Handmade Items – Ellen Tacy
Chicken Pot Pies – Cynthia McDonnell
Jams and Jellies – Linda Rhines
Spices – Suzanne Robinson
Entertainment – Elsie Eastman

On behalf of the Harvest Fair Committee,

Rick Lombardi, Harvest Fair Chair

CARD MINISTRY

Each month, 4 members of the Card Ministry look through their designated section of the Special Dates List to send out personal messages on cards to members of St. David's who are celebrating weddings, birthdays, anniversaries and other special dates. Each volunteer has one fourth of the alphabet and keeps a record of all special dates for those parishioners. This is carried out in an expression to each member of St. David's of caring and joy. Our hope is that this outreach 'within' brings happiness and blessings to all.

2020 was an especially important time for this ministry. With the stay-at-home restrictions, never more heartfelt was it to receive a card from a fellow parishioner wishing them good cheer.

If you would like to be included in this ministry, please send your special dates (month and day only) to Cathy at the office and you will be put on the master list. In December, Elaine McLellan had to step down as chair due to health concerns. We are looking for someone who may feel called join this ministry and serve as its chair. Please contact Cathy in the church office to learn more.

MEN'S LUNCHEON

A St. David's Men's Luncheon Group has met on the third Tuesday of the month at noon in the Great Hall ever since the first gathering in April, 2018. The group decided by consensus that the luncheon's purpose was for fellowship only. The luncheon is open to all males in the parish. Most attendees to date are retired. The group met in January and February of 2020, with nine and eleven gentlemen in attendance, respectively. Unfortunately, due to the pandemic, the Group did not meet again during 2020.

MINUTES OF THE 64TH ANNUAL MEETING , JANUARY 26, 2020

CALL TO ORDER / OPENING MEDITATION: Father Andrew D'Angio White

- The meeting was called order by Father Andrew.
- Father Andrew opened the meeting with a meditation.

DECLARATION OF A QUORUM: Karen Perka

- A quorum was declared by Karen Perka, the clerk at St. David's Episcopal Church.

VESTRY ELECTION-Nominating Committee Report

Nominations for the following new Vestry members are:

Warden: One person for one full two-year term (term expires 2022).

Michael Donaghy

Treasurer: One person for one full two-year term.

Craig MacDonald (agreed to a second term which expires in 2022)

Vestry Members: Two persons for two full three-year terms (expires 2023).

Vivian Bachorik

Mary Provo

Vestry Member: Agreed to a second three-year term (expires in 2023).

Holly Margeson-Gamache

One person to fulfill a remaining two-year term: the term expires in 2022.

Carol Weeks

Call for Other Nominations:

There were no other nominations.

Vote for aforementioned Nominations:

The slate of nominations was elected.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Craig MacDonald

“As Treasurer of St. David's Episcopal Church, I know my report needs to be about our numbers and finances. I will do that, but first I need to say that something very special and spiritual is going on in our church community. Our budget, over the last few years has been increasing and each of us has been asked to do more and reach further. We are doing just that. Our parish is growing. Our outreach is expanding and we are all feeling good about our involvement in this process.

In 2018 we set our pledge income at \$215,000, in 2019 it was \$228,000 and now for 2020 it is \$250,000. We are requiring more because we are doing more. In our recent past our expenses exceeded our income and we needed to reach into our endowment to balance our budget. This year is different. We have passed a deficit budget, but we are actually using a cash surplus from 2019 of slightly over \$19,000 to wipe out this deficit. Furthermore, we are using available endowment funds to begin a separate Capital Maintenance Fund just for long term Capital improvements and we are funding a new position for an Education Director. How great is that? My thanks for all the important work of the Stewardship Committee, Dick Clinton, our assistance treasurer, the Building and Grounds Committee and the hard workers doing our fund raisers.”

-Father Andrew thanked the treasurer, stewardship committee, and finance committee.

RECTOR’S REPORT: Father Andrew D’Angio White

Special Thanks:

-Father Andrew thanked Cathy Zub, church administrator, Ed Verge, sexton, Bill Rhines, Verger, Tom Kovacevic, Pastoral Musician, Ludmila Murphy, nursery care, our Deacons Kris Conley and Gail Chandler, and Jean Cavanaugh, our deacon in training.

-There are so many people to thank. By your presence, prayers, and ministries we do this selfishly and this is what it means to be faithful.

Retiring Vestry Members:

-There are three retiring vestry members, Jack Wilde, for his excellent work with the Building and Grounds Committee, Kate Keene, for her incredible work for our Sunday School, and Gail Freeman, our Warden, who has been a voice for outreach; unafraid to speak her mind and hold the vestry accountable.

Annual Meeting:

-We look at what did in the previous year and to the future.

Growth has been outstanding.

- *People are excited about being here.
- *More people involved in the service.
- *Outreach growing; more than doubled outreach giving from \$11,000 to \$23,000.
- *Laundry Love.
- *Community Soup Luncheon.
- *Fund raiser at the park.
- *Possible fund raiser at the Kennebunk Ice-Skate Rink.
- *Programs have increased, church attendance is growing, and outreach expanding.
- *30,000 pound of food donated to Hands Across our Community so people around our community would not go hungry.

Transformation of our Sunday School:

- *Growing number of children.
- *Expansion of three classrooms.
- *Asked the parish community to volunteer as adjunct Sunday School teachers.
- *Growth has been significant enough to need an Education Director. The Education Director will be working with the diocese for more global growth.

-Stewardship Goals:

- *\$250,000 pledged in 2020.

*Bob Pagano is the Stewardship Chair. A special thanks to Bob for his hard work and the committee's work and ministry to achieve this goal.

Change:

- Change is exciting.
- Growth means change and sometimes change is scary.
- The only thing in the church that is fixed is the organ. Everything else is flexible and we have an ability to roll with things as part of change.

Playground Anonymous Donation:

- We have been looking at our playground safety issues and just before Christmas an anonymous donor gave the church \$4,500 for a new playground gym.

September 1, 2020 Celebration of the Church Building

- Each and every shingle was hand-dipped.
- Literally speaking, we are surrounded by what we do with the church building; so much of us is in the building, but our ministry outside of the church building is growing leaps and bounds and is making a difference in people's lives.

Building Toward a Better Future:

- Father Andrew is excited about our future and moving forward he is thankful to be part of this community.

ADJOURNMENT:

- Prior to the meeting being adjourned, Father Andrew asked parishioners if they wanted to say something before ending the meeting.
- Many people offered thanksgiving and presented new ideas for growth.
- Thanks to Cathy Zub.
- Appreciation for the Festival of Lights and hopefully more services can be added on similar to this celebration of Epiphany.
- Celebration of Father Andrew.
- Taking outreach in the community is bring God's love to the community and the world.
- Many thanks to Bill Rhines, our Verger.
- May thanks to Tom Kovacevic for his pastoral-musician ministry.
- Giving bonuses to the staff is an outpouring of our appreciation and thanks to what they do to keep the church running and in fine order.
- A suggestion to change up the Annual Meeting format using webinars, internet, and virtual meetings.
- Explore technology to promote growth; connect with more people.
- Our endowment is a tremendous asset – thanks to the good work of the endowment trustees. We need to be good stewards of endowment money and grants.
- Thanks to all the volunteers behind the scenes working to keep the St. David's Budget Box ministry alive.
- Thank you from a 23-year parishioner who appreciates the fact that children are welcome in the church, even though it is less than quiet at times.
- The more we can do for climate change in Maine and the world the better off the environment will be. Thanks to the St. David's Budget Box for going green by not ordering shopping backs with the Budget Box branding.

So moved by Craig MacDonald, seconded by Bruce Brauninger, and unanimously approved, the adjournment of the 64th Annual Meeting.

Respectfully submitted, Karen Perka