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AGENDA

- 1.) Call to Order and Opening Prayer
- 2.) Approval of the 2023 Annual Meeting Minutes
- 3.) Recognition of Staff and Outgoing Vestry Members
- 4.) Election of Vestry and Delegates
- 5.) Sr. Warden Report-Steve Knoll
- 6.) Jr. Warden Report-Doug Paul
- 7.) Director of Youth & Family Ministries Report-Suzanne Wilmot
- 8.) Finance, Endowment, and Budget Report-Doug Paul and Bill McGillivray
- 9.) Search Team – Theresa Klimiuk
- 10.) Closing Prayer



**SR. WARDEN'S
REPORT**

STEVE KNOLL



The mission of Saint Margaret's is to share the grace of God in Jesus Christ, empowering followers of Jesus to grow in love for God and neighbor.

Psalm 23 v.5 "...and my cup is running over."

What a remarkable and blessed year we have had at St. Margaret's. So many wonderful things have happened that I'll just attempt to review the highlights. We received the second half of Jim Walsh's endowment that will forever support the mission of St Margaret's.

The success of our Next Dream Capitol Campaign demonstrates both the generosity of the parish and how strongly connected we feel to each other and the Mission, Vision and Values of St Margaret's. Most of us thought we'd never see the end of our debt, but Fr. Marco's request that the diocese forgive a dollar for every dollar raised was accepted and the entire parish rose to the occasion. With our first payment of \$320,000.00, we cut the loan in half and are on track to eliminate it entirely. "Amazing Grace! How sweet the sound".

With these successes in mind, the Vestry went on retreat in July and reaffirmed our Mission, Vision and Values. This is a foundational document that speaks to who we are and where we're going. I encourage everyone to read these on our website or pick up a flier at the worship center. Your hard-working vestry also set out eight SMART goals. [Specific, Measurable, Achievable, Relevant and Time-bound.] Many are already achieved: Relaunch the Hospitality Ministry, weekly post 10 o'clock worship gatherings, create an information page to explain Sunday worship and include a QR code in the bulletin, increase Endowment educational opportunities, continue and expand Capital Campaign follow up. There are three goals in progress: Work with Suzanne on Youth Ministry Strategic Plan, develop a plan for visitor engagement and integration, and develop a master plan for our campus.

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REPORT**

STEVE KNOLL



The vestry just created the Memorial Fund Council to acknowledge gifts and record items acquired. We continue to improve the scope and detail of written policies to guide church operations, including an update to our Parish center pricing and rental policy.

In May, Weston Curnow was nominated to enter the ordination process and we will be his home parish and support.

We had to say goodbye to Fr. Serrano and his lovely family. They are off to a new ministry, and we will be praying for their continued success. Fr Marco gave us so much while he was here and I'm sure St Margaret's has helped equip him to be a powerful force in the Episcopal Church.

We also say thanks to those who have served on the vestry. Erika Zimmerman and Darren Root. We say a BIG thanks to Doug Paul for the amazing job he has done as our JR. Warden; to keep things working and always being there to "fix it". Finally, Shaun Trenholm has been our Treasurer for almost twelve years and deserves our gratitude. He is turning that role over to Doug Paul.

Steve Knoll

Sr. Warden



**JR. WARDEN'S
REPORT**

DOUG PAUL



As I've said every year, the maintenance of our building and grounds requires many, many hours, relying on the talents of multiple parishioners. Special thanks go to Todd Anderson, Bill McGillivray Bob Fairchild, Shawn Trenholm, Jamie Lowe, Andy Craig, Steve Knoll, Sally Knoll and Kathy Miller who devoted so much time mowing, weeding, planting flowers and watering to keep our 10 acre campus looking neat.

I have a few folks who always say "yes" when called, and in doing so they save the church thousands of dollars. Jim Bost is always available whenever we have a plumbing issue. Todd Anderson is our "go to" guy for anything – especially those computer and network issues. Tony Tenbrink always helps with the difficult electrical issues. And Galen Weber and Bill McGillivray always respond when there's something requiring an extra set of hands.

As in past years, repair work to the HVAC and Sanctuary roof consumed significant resources. Wind events damages shingles on multiple occasions and our 25+ year old flat roof required repair (again). Two of our 4 HVAC units in the Sanctuary required substantial repairs and another (unrepairable since last year) was replaced with a high efficiency heat pump.

Guttering was added to the entry overhang on the Parish Center. This not only provides a better entry experience during rain, it will reduce long term damage to the eave, which was patched and sealed.

The dishwasher in the Parish Hall was repaired and is now fully functional again.

Through the efforts of multiple parishioners, the nursery was refurbished and painted. Special thanks to Sarah Good and Elyse Hammann who provided many hours painting a beautiful mural.

A few miscellaneous projects of note:

- We continue to convert fluorescent light fixtures to LED
- A return air vent was added to the prayer room
- Both spotlights on the tower were converted to LED.

Other future needs include parking lot repairs, playground upgrades, a new flat roof for the office and HVAC upgrades.



**DIRECTOR OF
YOUTH AND FAMILY
MINISTRIES**

SUZANNE WILMONT



Children's Ministry

2023 saw the return of the Lenten Pen Pal Program. All children and youth from ages 3-18 are paired with an adult in the church who sends them one letter a week throughout the season of Lent. The idea is for our children to get to know multiple other adults in our congregation so they receive a different pen pal each year. Recently a visitor to our church remarked that they were touched by how they saw children interacting with those from other generations before and after the service. These relationships are often a direct result of the Pen Pal Program! In 2024 we will create more opportunities for the Pen Pals to interact so we can continue to strengthen these intergenerational friendships.

We also held several events last year. Our Shrove Tuesday and Easter Egg hunts would not have been possible without our incredibly helpful youth volunteers who are skilled at mixing up pancakes and finding truly creative ways to hide Easter eggs. We enjoyed the Fall Fest which included a chili contest, bounce house, and pumpkin decorating. The Community Life Committee provides an incredible amount of support for most of our events, for which we are all thankful!

Preschool Children's Chapel and Nursery

Taryn Haley Coordinator & Mackenzie Thomas, Attendant

In the Fall of 2022 we began inviting preschoolers into the nursery to have their own lesson during children's chapel, a program we continued to develop in 2023. Each week the preschoolers enjoy music, a Bible story, crafts, and snacks led by Taryn Haley. The preschool children enjoy being leaders for the 0-2 year olds, playing with them and encouraging them to participate in the lesson.

Taryn also led the team of volunteers that renovated the nursery! From the moment she stepped into her role as the nursery coordinator she has used her passion for teaching children and her wide array of talents as an interior designer to transform that space. It is now safer, more engaging, and more welcoming due to these changes.

We are so thankful for her leadership and for the talent and time of our volunteers: Elyse Hammann and Sarah Good lent their talents as artists to paint the murals.

**DIRECTOR OF YOUTH
AND FAMILY
MINISTRIES**

SUZANNE WILMONT



Galen Weber built beautiful, sturdy toy shelves. Pat Grzenda, Theresa Klimiuk, Tony Tenbrink, Jackie Shafer, Steve & Sally Knoll, Doug Paul, the Duncan family, Daniel Wilmot, Angela Kramer, Chris Haley, and Sandra Unfred assisted with painting, furniture assembly, and repairs. We are so blessed to have so many people pour their time and talents into creating this wonderful space for our youngest church members.

This year we will focus on developing the outdoor play area outside of the nursery and creating an indoor sensory area.

Formation

Youth and Children's Formation Classes are now available any time Adult Formation classes meet. This past fall we worked on memorizing the names of all 66 books of the Bible and learned a little about each book!

Kindergarten-5th Grade Children's Chapel and Pen Pal Program Submitted by Carol Gaumer

Godly Play is the Montessori-inspired curriculum we use during the school year for children's chapel time. The routine for a Sunday morning includes: a greeting, changing the church calendar, a Godly Play story, and "feast" time in which we share a small snack. Suzanne Wilmot leads the children in music once a month. This year, our team of dedicated volunteers includes: Alex Leland, Allyson Leland, Ava Serrano, Carol Gaumer, Corrine Serrano, Kathy Miller, Lindsey Pendry, and Lori Trenholm among others who step in to help out throughout the year. We couldn't do it without the help of each of these volunteers! We would also like to thank the parents for bringing their children to church each week. It is a blessing for everyone on the teaching team to get to know your children!

Family Ministry

The Saint Margaret's Playgroup meets about once a month. This has been a great opportunity for parents to socialize and for kids to play. Family Ministries has also taken over coordinating meal trains for new parents. We are looking forward to expanding these services to provide more support and socialization opportunities in 2024. Thank you to those who have provided meals for families with new babies!

**DIRECTOR OF YOUTH
AND FAMILY
MINISTRIES**

SUZANNE WILMONT



Please contact Suzanne Wilmot at swilmot@saintmargaret.org with any questions about Youth & Family Ministry



DIRECTOR OF MUSIC

CHARLES PRIDGEN



2023 was a great year for the praise team with participation by Laura Pridgen, Corrine Serrano, Suzanne Wilmot, Jake Loos, Marcia Granger, Elinor Cowell, Pat Kimbrough, Breta Bloomberg, and Joyce Harrison. At the end of the year we received funds from the Giving For Good Grant to go towards new microphones. Thanks to those who gave for that!

Our worship team continues to grow and we welcome anyone who would like to learn and volunteer to help work sound, video, and presentation. We also welcome anyone who would like to contribute their musical talents to the worship team. We thank St. Margaret's for their continued support of the worship team as we continue to support the ministries of St. Margaret's through song. God Bless!



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ALTAR GUILD

Submitted by Katherine McGillivray

Members of the Altar Guild are called to a very special ministry: to prepare for the meeting of the people with God. We take care of the Eucharist vessels, vestments and linens. Moreover, we ensure that the altar is ready for the priest at every celebration of the Eucharist, and we prepare for weddings , funerals, baptisms and other prayer book services.

The altar guild members are: Katherine McGillivray, Pat Paul, Reta Caldwell, Cathy Ebmeier, Jane Wegner, Bonnie Johnston, Jeanette Weber, Kasee Page, Marty Fairchild, Bob Fairchild and Leah Kuhlman. Thank you from all of St. Margaret's for your willingness to serve in this ministry.

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

Submitted by Steve Knoll

Liturgical Ministries is always eager to expand our list of volunteers for Lectors, Greeters, Acolytes, Eucharistic Ministers/Chalice bearers. We have written guidelines for Lectors and Greeters. If you are interested in serving our community in these or other ways, please let the office know.



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PASTORAL CARE

Submitted by vestry liaison Pat Grzenda

The mission of pastoral care at St. Margaret's is to offer love, care, compassion, and prayer for Church members. There was quite a bit of contact with members through the Pastoral Care Calling Team which was well-received by our parishioners. It was concluded in 2022. There was a more recent Calling and Prayer Ministry that was associated and concluded with the Capital Campaign. Looking to the future, we need to continue to reach out to our membership, especially in times of need. We are able to provide services for funerals, and Fr. Serrano did quite a lot of pastoral calling on people in homes, hospitals, and nursing homes. The clergy always needs more help from lay ministers and our new incoming rector will need that, as well. If we are to formalize this process, we must first determine what exactly we feel is most important to provide for our members. Some professional guidance and training will likely be needed to assist us in getting a comprehensive pastoral care program established at St. Margaret's.

365 PRAYER TEAM

Submitted by vestry liaison Paulette Strong

The 365 Prayer Team exists so that church members know that every day of the year their prayer requests are being met by our team. The team members are assigned a day of the week and on that day every week a person reads/recites the Prayers of the People (found in the Book of Common Prayer) or does their own daily prayer practice and specifically prays for those requesting prayer as listed in our weekly worship bulletin.

Currently, we have 14 team members (Pat Grzenda, Sally Knoll, Marvel Birchfield, Kathy Miller, Steve Knoll, Jane Wegner, Marcia Granger, Ann Branden, Breta Bloomberg, Rex Gaumer, Carol Gaumer, Marty Fairchild, Ann Root, and Paulette Strong). We welcome new members. Please contact Paulette Strong if you are interested in learning more about the 365 Prayer Team.



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PRAYER TEAM

Submitted by vestry liaison Pat Grzenda

The Prayer Team continues to be active at St. Margaret's and is always hoping for new members to join in the praying and caring for others in and connected to our Church. The Prayer Team wants YOU to participate with us. Pat Grzenda is the coordinator for this team and can be reached at 785-766-9885 or at Church. Prayer is a core value at St. Margaret's, and we are proud to serve the Church in several different ways. This report will cover 5 areas connected to the Prayer Team. Paulette Strong's report on 365 Team is covered in this section, as well.

PRAYER TEAM AND REQUESTING PRAYER

The prayer team consists of people who participate regularly in their prayer lives and share it with others. They are active in the following aspects of prayer at St. Margaret's, but perhaps not all. The team had a retreat in October with Rev. Lisa Senuta presenting information on Centering Prayer. It was an amazing experience for all who were there which included some Mission Nepal Prayer Team and 365 Team members. Rev. Senuta came back in December for a follow-up session on Centering Prayer for the congregation. You may request prayers from our team at any time through a call to Cathy Nunley in the office 785-865-5777, going to our website at saintmargaret.org then scroll down to "Get Connected" section, or by contacting any member of our team. Be assured that all requests are kept confidential.

PRAYER NETWORK [TEXT CHAIN]

The network consists of 15 faithful people who agree to receive text messages requesting prayers that come from within our team, the office at St. Margaret's, or an individual who has a specific situation or person that needs prayers, and then pray in their own way. This network operates 24/7. Sometimes we receive updates from those requests, but it does not always work that way. Again, all requests are confidential.



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PRAYER CORNER

The Prayer Corner began in June 2022. It is located to the left of the altar right in front of the Prayer Room. It operates during both 8 and 10am services. After receiving Communion, anyone with a prayer need, may step over to the Corner and receive a prayer from a member of the team who is assigned to that service. We have 7 wonderful people who serve our church in this special way. Since it began, there have been 311 requests for prayer at the corner give or take a few missing counts! It has truly been a blessing to have this ministry available. 311! Wow!

PRAYER ROOM

The Prayer Room is located in the Northwest Corner of the Church. It was opened in Fall of 2022 after some generous gifts of time, talents, and treasures were received. This is a quiet space for all of you to use, as needed. You might consider it a spot for spiritual guidance or reflection, meeting, reading, drawing, or simply inspiration. You might consider calling the office ahead of your visit just to make sure it's available.



MISSION NEPAL PRAYER TEAM

Karin Feltman is our missionary in Nepal. She has been a longtime member of St. Margaret's and was called to do God's work in a remote village in Nepal. She has been in Nepal about 8 years now. When Karin is in Nepal, we have Zoom prayer meetings and these are scheduled when she is able to fit us into her schedule. It is arranged usually about a week in advance. The Zoom group is about as close to in person when you imagine she is halfway around the world. Karin always wants to know if this team has prayer needs, as well. When she is on home assignment here in Lawrence, we get to pray with her in person which is always special. There are 11 people on this team, but all are welcome to participate with the group.



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LIFE GROUPS

Submitted by Steve Knoll

Introduction

Christian faith is best lived in relationship with other believers, and these relationships can deepen our faith and change us. In the early church, people gathered for teaching, fellowship, breaking bread, and prayers. Through worship and intentional spiritual practice we grow in our ability to love and mentor one another as we build trusting relationships with God and one another. In October 2021, two Life Groups were initiated at St. Margaret's. Joyce Harrison's Life Group meets on Wednesday evenings and Sally and Steve Knoll's Life Group meets on Thursday evenings. Both Life Groups endeavor to be an "opportunity to get to know one another in a different way, to learn from Scripture, and to encourage one another as we navigate the Christian journey." We are always looking to add to our numbers and welcome inquiries.

WEDNESDAY EVENING LIFE GROUP

Submitted by Joyce Harrison

Our Life Group meets the first and third Wednesday of every month. We start with a check-in, continue to group discussion/reflection, and end with a prayer or a service such as Compline.

At the beginning of 2023, we continued with Welcome to the Book of Common Prayer by Vicki K. Black. Group members were excited to become more familiar with the prayer book, which we Episcopalians use not only in the Sunday liturgy but in our everyday lives.

Our text for Lent was Walking in the Wilderness: Seeking God during Lent by Beth A. Richardson. This is a devotional, with a message and a scripture reading for each day. We enjoyed using the book during the Lenten season.



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In the summer we read Presiding Bishop Michael Curry's *Love Is the Way: Holding on to Hope in Troubling Times*. We were grateful for Bishop Curry's inspiring message that "agreeing to love is the greatest agreement. And the only one that ultimately matters, because it makes a future possible."

The fall of 2023 took our group into its third year, which we started with *With Gladness: Answering God's Call in Our Everyday Lives* by Christopher H. Martin, a book with what Martin calls "gentle practices" to deepen our spiritual lives.

But our group isn't all about books and learning. We pray for, support, and encourage each other as we make our Christian journey together. We have room for three or four more people, so give me a shout if you'd like to join us!

THURSDAY EVENING LIFE GROUP

Submitted by Sally and Steve Knoll

The Thursday evening Life Group has enjoyed another wonderful year of sharing our lives and our Christian journeys. We decided to meet the first and third Thursdays at home and are currently studying Bishop Michael Curry's book "Love is the Way."

FELLOWSHIP GROUPS

Submitted by Steve and Sally Knoll

Vine Theology

Vine Theology is a group that has been sharing our passion for wine and care for each other for over ten years now. We meet once a month at someone's home on the second Wednesday of the month and usually have a theme for wines to bring and share with the group. Our annual Christmas dinner has become a favorite event in the last few years. Please contact Steve Knoll sknoll@knollnet.com if you are interested in joining our large, Small Group.



MINISTRY REPORTS

ADULT FORMATION

Submitted by Darren Root, vestry liaison, and Donna Kehoe

In 2023, Adult Formation sponsored three opportunities for us to engage with each other about how to live a life of faith in a world increasingly hostile to the person of Christ.

During Lent, we examined the Bright Sadness of Lent. Towards the end of the Summer, a Catechism class started in anticipation of the Bishop's Fall visit. Wrapping up the Adult Formation season, the book For the Life of the World was discussed.

I want to thank everyone who took the time to prepare and lead discussions and especially thank you to everyone attending a discussion.

Proverbs 27:17

COMMUNITY LIFE

Submitted by Karen Zimmerman

2023 was another busy and productive year for the Community Life committee here at St. Margaret's, with meals and events occurring throughout the year. This year's highlights include our Annual Meeting, Shrove Tuesday Pancake feed, Bishop visitation, and Easter Egg hunt in April, celebrating our graduates in May, and Rummage Sale in June.

In August, we helped to prepare for the coming programming year by hosting a festive Ice Cream Social. In October, we assisted our Youth and Family Ministries with the Fall Fest chili feed, Halloween treat bags and cleaned both kitchens. Our annual St Margaret's Feast Day in November was followed by Angel Tree. We continue to be grateful for the support of the entire St. Margaret's community as we seek to serve our church family in love.



MINISTRY REPORTS

OUTREACH

SUBMITTED BY ERIKA ZIMMERMAN, VESTRY LIAISON FOR OUTREACH

Ministry Outreach activities in 2023 continued to focus on two priority areas: housing and food security. Community organization supported through outreach activities included L.I.N.K., Family Promise, Lawrence Habitat for Humanity, and Trinity Food Pantry. Additional outreach activities included Kansas 2 Kenya, Mission Nepal, Angel Tree, and Every Stitch a Prayer.

Other highlights for the year include-

Angel Tree- Our congregation provided gift cards for four families in need during Christmas.



Family Promise- St. Margaret's once again opened their doors to families experiencing houselessness. After a hiatus due to COVID and other factors, we hosted several families through Family Promise. Congregation members worked together to get the Parish Hall ready for families, and provided food, snacks, and company to the families. A very special THANK YOU to Patrick and Kris Manning for organizing and overseeing our Family Promise week. The model has changed and churches will no longer be hosting.



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OUTREACH

Kansas to Kenya (K2K)- St Margaret's hosted a K2K fundraiser in April that raised over \$22,000. Thanks to all the volunteers that made that possible. The K2K ministry continued to support several community programs including Agatha Amani House, and the Osborne and St. Nicholas Libraries. The Medical Team continues to work on a vaccine administration education program 13 and student intern opportunities with the schools of pharmacy at the University of Nairobi and the University of Kansas.



Lawrence Interdenominational Nutrition Kitchen (L.I.N.K.)- St. Margaret volunteers prepared and served lunches at First Christian Church multiple times throughout the year.

Trinity Interfaith Food Pantry- St. Margaret's is one of five congregations that provide donations to the Trinity Food Pantry, based at Trinity Episcopal Church. In 2023 we continued the tradition of hosting the annual Pantry Power event where we donated huge (trucks and SUV loads) amounts of food and paper ware.

We look forward to the next year of Outreach Ministry Activities and the continued support of wonderful St. Margaret volunteers.



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SEARCH REPORT

Submitted by Theresa Klimiuk, Search Chair

Our search team has been working diligently on gathering information for The Ministry Portfolio. These several pages of documents were submitted to the Office of Transition Ministry for the Episcopal Diocese of Kansas earlier in the week. The Ministry Portfolio is utilized by the Diocese to convey to the limited pool of potential candidates in the United States that St. Margaret's is looking for a new Priest. The team is continuing our work on updating and revising the old Parish Portfolio, which was used years ago when Fr. Marco was hired. The Parish Portfolio is what tells "Our Story" of St. Margaret's. This is where our survey will be utilized to convey to potential candidates what attributes we are looking for in our next Priest. Our team continues to wear yellow name tags at the services in the hopes that the community of St. Margaret's will seek us out and share their thoughts, so that we may capture the true essence of what makes this church so wonderful. I encourage you to seek out a representative of the search team as we prepare the new Parish Portfolio, and tell your story. We would like to use as many quotes from our community to help share what a wonderful place St. Margaret's is to worship. Once the Portfolio is complete, we will publish it on St. Margaret's website. This is where potential candidates will read about us as they think about applying for the position as our new Priest.



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FINANCE REPORT

Submitted by Toby Tekolste, Finance Chair

Over the past several years, we have set forth a series of financial and stewardship goals, which we have been fortunate to continue meeting, developing, and expanding over the course of 2023. They include the following:

- We completed a successful capital campaign to address our \$1.2M mortgage. With the commitment of a dollar-for-dollar matching grant from the diocese, we received \$714,000 in pledges, which will allow us to completely retire the note by 2026. More than half of this amount has already been collected allowing for a \$640,000 payment this year.
- We have established a Memorial Fund council to oversee the receipt, administration and spending of Memorial Funds received in honor of parishioners
- We have structured our banking to take advantage of current FDIC insured money market rates for our restricted and operating funds

We were again blessed with a very successful 2024 Stewardship Season. We received 79 pledges for a total of nearly \$270,000. While down one overall pledge from last year, this included 10 new pledges. The 2024 budget is balanced, with funds to address several needs.

- We will upgrade our musicians to wireless microphones and are adding new antennas in an effort to eliminate radio interference
- We will patch the two large potholes in the parking lot
- We have undertaken an effort to better define and identify legacy "restricted funds" on our balance sheet and get them spent within the restriction placed by the donors.

Much gratitude to Shaun Trenholm who has retired as our Treasurer after more than 12 years of service!!

Special thanks as well to the other members of our Finance Committee, Steve Knoll, Doug Paul, Lori Trenholm, and Michele Hammann who continues to provide valuable advice and counsel.



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ENDOWMENT REPORT

Submitted by Bill McGillivray, Endowment Chair

The St Margaret's Endowment Fund just completed its 1st full year with DCCF. In an up and down market in 2023, the funds had a decent year.

Currently we have two Endowment Funds. The James N Walsh Endowment Fund which is a true Endowment fund with gifts held in perpetuity and the St Margaret's Endowment Fund that is a Vestry-designated "quasi" endowment.

The James N Walsh fund started the year with a balance of \$347,438.11. The fund had two additional gifts from the James Walsh Estate totaling \$374,413.98. This brings Jim's total gifts to St Margaret's Endowment to \$724,413.98. After deducting Admin fees of \$6,298.94 and \$20,000 in grants to the St Margaret's operating budget, the ending balance was \$772,053.09.

The St Margaret's Episcopal Fund started the year at \$4,899.95. The fund received \$2,500 from the "Giving for Good" matching grant from DCCF. After deducting Admin fees of \$65, the EOY balance was \$8,149.31.

We have been so blessed with our gifts to the St Margaret's Endowment Funds. They will provide financial assistance to St Margaret's for many years to come. If leaving a legacy to St Margaret's is something that you are thinking about in your Estate Plan, please consider St Margaret's Endowment. If you have any questions, feel free to talk to any of our board members.



MINISTRY REPORTS

MEMORIAL FUND COUNCIL

Submitted by Toby TeKolste (Vestry Liaison), Susan Wade, and Paulette Strong

Memorial funds are given to remember departed family members through a gift to the church. Additionally, the church may receive a memorial gift such as art, furniture, or other items from a contributor.

Recently, the Vestry appointed a Memorial Fund Council composed of Toby TeKolste (Vestry Liaison), Susan Wade, and Paulette Strong. This group is currently developing a Memorial Fund policy to determine how the church will communicate with families of the person to be memorialized, recognize donors of memorial gifts, and track how memorial funds are used.

Memorial funds or gifts may be given to St. Margaret's at any time. The family of the deceased or the memorial gift contributor along with the Rector and Vestry will be consulted to determine how the memorial funds will be used and an office record will be kept regarding how funds or a gift was used.



2023 MINUTES

2023 Annual Meeting Minutes January 29, 2023

Fr. Marco Serrano called the meeting to order at 12:08 p.m. with prayer.

Marty Fairchild moved to approve the minutes of the 2022 Annual Meeting. Galen Weber seconded and the motion carried.

Fr. Marco recognized and gave thank you appreciations to staff members: Charles Pridgen, music director; Cathy Nunley, administrative assistant; Suzanne Wilmot, director of youth & family ministries; Weston Curnow, assistant for liturgy and family ministries, and Taryn Haley, nursery coordinator. He then thanked out-going Vestry members: Marty Fairchild, Michele Hammann, and Paulette Strong for their service.

- Rector's Report – given by Fr. Marco. Written report on file.
- Director of Youth & Family Ministries – given by Suzanne Wilmot. Written report on file.
- Endowment Committee Report – Bill McGillivray, chair, Marty Fairchild, Kevin Loos, Jean Shepard, and Toby TeKolste. The Douglas County Community Foundation will manage funds for our endowment.
- Financial Report – Michele Hammann, chair of finance committee and Shaun Trenholm, treasurer. Elinor Cowell moved to accept the 2022 financial report. Lori Trenholm second, motion carried.
- Capital Campaign Report – Fr. Marco reported the Diocese will match dollar for dollar raised during the campaign toward the building loan.

Vestry nominees were Cayce Elder, Marilyn Pearson, and Toby TeKolste. No nominations from the floor. Jane Budde moved to accept this slate. Kathy Miller seconded and the motion carried by acclamation.

Convention delegate nominees were Bob Fairchild and Steve Knoll with Marvel Birchfield as an alternate. Rex Gaumer moved to accept this slate. Sally Knoll seconded and the nominations accepted by acclamation.

Announcements: Fr. Marco announced there will be a Garage Sale this summer and he thanked the Community Life committee for hosting the luncheon today.

Kevin Loos moved to adjourn the meeting. Galen Weber seconded and the motion carried. Fr. Marco adjourned the meeting at 12:55 p.m. with a closing prayer.



2023 NUMBERS

2 0 2 3 b y t h e N u m b e r s

Baptisms 6

Funerals 2

Confirmed 8

Received 7

Reaffirmed 5

Weddings 0

TRENDS

ASA [Average Service Attendance]

2019 2020 2021 2022 2023

121 102 82 106 119

PLEDGES

2019 2020 2021 2022 2023

76 85 83 81 79



