

the word: Rector Report

by Rev. Dennis j. Sagun Parker

“Hello, my landlord just told me that my 3 kids and I have 48 hours to vacate my apartment if we can’t come up with some money to catch up on our rent for this month. I am wondering if you have any funds available for this kind of thing. We would be eternally grateful for ANY amount you have to spare. God bless you”!

A kind and desperate soul arrives at the back of the church and hasn’t had anything to eat or drink in three days – wondering if we have anything we could spare for his spouse and kids to get some groceries.

An email arrives and the author explains that her partner needs daily oxygen in order to cope with her worsening symptoms from COPD; they only have enough for a small tank, and just don’t know what to do or where to turn. She has contacted every social services organization she can think of, and none of them have any assistance for this kind of situation.

We live in a world where the needs so far outweigh the available support for so many of our neighbors and friends living on the margins of homelessness – and many more who are houseless and hungry. Of course, none of us fail to see the fellow human beings around us that are “falling through the cracks” of our societies ability to provide for the many unaddressed needs.

One of the resources available to provide short term emergency relief is “The Rector’s Discretionary Fund”. Dollars donated to this fund allow Deacon Tracy and me to be able to discern the greatest needs and provide financial support along with the spiritual support that is often sought in the kinds of situations mentioned above. Those funds are made available to anyone in great need, regardless of whether or not they are “members” or attendees to St. David’s. The fund has no direct contributions and relies on the gifts and honoraria that are offered for clergy services outside of our weekly gathering (e.g., funerals/weddings/graveside blessings). While those dollars are credited to the discretionary fund, they rarely cover all the needs presented over the years.

Fr. John Scannell (Rector Emeritus at St. Michael and All Angels) who is one of my spiritual mentors is often quoted with the phrase “never resist a generous impulse”. Perhaps some of us have come into an unexpected financial bounty; perhaps the weekly cost of our morning coffee treat could be set aside and donated to this fund – or perhaps we even make this fund part of our intentional “giving back” to God some of the gratitude we have for the many ways in which our lives are spared the kind of desperate need that those who seek support face on a weekly, or sometimes daily basis.

Whatever is given is thoughtfully used, and many of you will never have any idea of the blessing that your “generous impulse” can bring for a complete stranger – or even perhaps for the person sitting in the pew behind you on a Sunday morning. Please reach out with questions, or if you should have a need!

Blessing!
Dennis j.+

Senior Warden Report: September 2023

Back to school, back to work. I'm delighted to report that the things we're doing are going *mostly smoothly*. We need more volunteers, y'all, to get them going *quite smoothly*, and to get the things going that are not going at all. We'll talk about this at our September meeting, but I'd like to challenge each of us to do the following:

- Try everything once, if you're able: Family Promise, Say Their Names, Hot Meals, teaching Godly Play, Taizé, Wednesday potluck, etc. As vestry members, we should each be able to at least talk up the stuff we're doing.
- Find a thing you like and do it at least once a quarter. Or spread out what you do and do something at least once a quarter.

What's happened, what's happening, and what's about to happen:

- I'm incredibly grateful to AI for taking on our [BEEEEEP]ing bylaws. Please read through his draft and give any feedback you have.
- I asked Finn to put together a wish list for our musical efforts; it's pretty comprehensive. I've shared it with the finance committee and am sharing it here with y'all, as well. I see fundraisers in our future ...
- We'll talk more today about the children's ministries coordinator and about youth leadership at St. David's, but I want you all to know that—after many years in the role—Andrew Weygandt is moving on from his role in youth ministry.
- Brian is working on a St. David's photo directory, which I'm really looking forward to having. If you know of any youth in our community that would like to make a few bucks taking photos of parishioners, please let Brian know.
- Bishop Akiyama will visit us on 1st Advent (3 December). We'll talk about this today, but please be thinking between now and our next meeting about the following question: "What does St. David's need our bishop to know about our community?" Vestry members should plan to be available for a meeting with Bishop Akiyama after the service. The Diocese has put together a useful guide for preparing for her visit: <https://ecwo.org/bishop-visits/>
- Both Dennis+ and I are meeting with Chris Craun to set some form of timeline for our rector's search. For this, too, the diocese has a (62-page) guide. Please take some time to flip through it, so you can answer parishioners' questions as they come up: <https://bit.ly/ecwo-transition>

I'm certain I've forgotten some big things; it's been an active month! In particular, we all owe Ned and Crystal our thanks for hustling to get our building in shape. THANK YOU, DEAR NED. THANK YOU, DEAR CRYSTAL.

Submitted by Kieran Cannistra, Senior Warden

Vestry and St. David's Community –

Thank you for your support of our building. We have made very good progress this month!

BUILDING CURATION

- **Building Curator:** Our building curator, Josh Pinkston, has done a great job at facilitating use of our building by various partners, and has become the main point of contact. ***Onward!***
- **Forest School:** The Portland Forest School moved into the building in early September. They are already using downstairs classrooms and a small office downstairs. They are also paying for access to the garden, to the hillside, and for a parking spot for a school van. The Forest School is paying us **\$4250 / month** for this part-time use of classrooms. And this relationship has been very positive for all parties.

FAMILY PROMISE

- **Family Promise:** We prepared the building so that we could host Family Promise Sept 3-10. By all accounts, this was a successful building partnership.

UPDATES ON BUILDING

- **Forest School Rooms:** Substantial Updates to rooms that are being used by the Forest School, including new flooring, new paint, new doors, new fans and lights, etc.
- Crystal Maass, our new part-time building facilities person, has been working on various areas of building improvement. No substantial updates this month, other than Forest School.

Building Improvement Implementation Team Report for September 17, 2023 Vestry Meeting

A short but positive report this month about the kitchen renovation:

- The City is actively reviewing the materials our architect (Soderstrom Architects) submitted in August. As of this report, the Fire Bureau -- which was one of the main departments with concerns -- has signed off its checklist. Yay! Our architect is staying on top of the review process.
- The BII Team is on standby to work with our contractor on a schedule so that we can
- communicate about disruptions, etc, once the permit is issued.

As of September 13, 2023

Submitted by Margaret McCue, BII team leader

Treasurer's Report August 2023

Items to note:

- Pledges are on target, not ahead. Many folks pay full pledge early in the year.
- There is a new Budget (to date) vs. Actuals report included.
- DPA owed to Diocese was paid to date in Sept. 2023. It is not included in these reports that end at Aug. 31st. We paid \$17,253 (\$1,917/month). We will pay monthly hereafter and are now caught up. Many thanks to Madeline for steering us through many communications with the Diocese.
- August Interim Rector Salary is high because it includes June (catch up) & August.
- YTD Social Security is low because we only pay SS for lay employees and much of the year we had few of them.
- We are +\$41K YTD (if you account for DPA not included here).

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Statement of Activity

August 2023

	TOTAL
Revenue	
40000 Pledges, Loose Plate and Gifts	
40100 Pledges	11,498.83
40300 Gifts/Open Plate	694.00
Total 40000 Pledges, Loose Plate and Gifts	12,192.83
41000 Other Income	
41100 Building Use Fees{25}	6,080.00
41200 Fundraising Events	
41250 Fundraising Income Other	37.74
Total 41200 Fundraising Events	37.74
41800 Interest Income Banking	34.86
Total 41000 Other Income	6,152.60
Total Revenue	\$18,345.43
GROSS PROFIT	\$18,345.43
Expenditures	
60000 Compensation	
60115 Interim Rector Housing	11,902.78
60120 Rector Life Insurance	-26.80
60200 Building Curator	945.23
60400 Music Director	1,884.44
60500 Nursery Care	162.26
60600 Parish Administrator	1,777.14
60800 Payroll Expenses	
60830 Workers Comp/WBF/PFML	99.64
Total 60800 Payroll Expenses	99.64
Total 60000 Compensation	16,744.69
62000 Building & Grounds Expenses	
62300 Building & Janitorial Supplies	131.62
62400 Janitorial Service Contractor	150.79
62560 Repairs and Maintenance	454.41
Total 62000 Building & Grounds Expenses	736.82
63000 Church & Office Expenses	
63550 Office Supplies & Expenses	94.06
63600 Parish Hospitality	39.98
63750 Telephone/Fax/Internet Expense	39.00
Total 63000 Church & Office Expenses	173.04
63620 Taize Service	
63627 Taize Service - Donations	-65.00
Total 63620 Taize Service	-65.00

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August 2023

	TOTAL
66700 Professional Services	
66730 Supply Clergy	500.00
Total 66700 Professional Services	500.00
68600 Utilities	124.33
68640 Water	593.57
68800 Electricity	326.48
68850 Garbage	518.00
Total 68600 Utilities	1,562.38
69120 Vanco Fees	40.12
Total Expenditures	\$19,692.05
NET OPERATING REVENUE	\$ -1,346.62
NET REVENUE	\$ -1,346.62

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January - August, 2023

	TOTAL
Revenue	
40000 Pledges, Loose Plate and Gifts	
40100 Pledges	147,888.92
40300 Gifts/Open Plate	7,414.01
Total 40000 Pledges, Loose Plate and Gifts	155,302.93
41000 Other Income	
41100 Building Use Fees{25}	47,479.26
41110 Building Use Security Deposits	-9.26
Total 41100 Building Use Fees{25}	47,470.00
41200 Fundraising Events	
41250 Fundraising Income Other	380.36
Total 41200 Fundraising Events	380.36
41300 Other Grants	12,267.37
41800 Interest Income Banking	283.79
Total 41000 Other Income	60,401.52
Total Revenue	\$215,704.45
GROSS PROFIT	\$215,704.45
Expenditures	
60000 Compensation	
60100 Rector Stipend/Regular Hours	16,281.00
60110 Rector Housing	24,822.00
60115 Interim Rector Housing	19,044.44
60120 Rector Life Insurance	187.60
60130 Rector Pension	8,385.99
60145 Rector Vacation Payout	5,435.63
60200 Building Curator	1,587.05
60300 Children's Ministry Coordinator	3,340.00
60400 Music Director	14,268.89
60500 Nursery Care	1,699.13
60600 Parish Administrator	5,960.26
60640 Bookkeeper/financial services	200.00
60800 Payroll Expenses	
60820 Social Sec/Medicare	1,242.88
60830 Workers Comp/WBF/PFML	816.56
Total 60800 Payroll Expenses	2,059.44
Total 60000 Compensation	103,271.43
62000 Building & Grounds Expenses	
62200 Building and Property Security	443.04
62300 Building & Janitorial Supplies	800.32

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	TOTAL
62400 Janitorial Service Contractor	2,176.99
62550 Grounds/Landscaping Maintenance	0.00
62560 Repairs and Maintenance	10,650.27
Total 62000 Building & Grounds Expenses	14,070.62
63000 Church & Office Expenses	
63050 Advertising	108.54
63100 Altar Guild	327.75
63150 Bank Charges	48.47
63175 Children's Ministry Expense	13.99
63250 Copier Expenses	1,142.07
63350 Dues and Subscriptions	75.00
63400 Licenses and Fees	374.90
63450 Ministry Expenses	546.92
63500 Music Expenses/ Non Personnel	500.00
63550 Office Supplies & Expenses	383.12
63600 Parish Hospitality	1,917.09
63750 Telephone/Fax/Internet Expense	1,964.80
Total 63000 Church & Office Expenses	7,402.65
63620 Taize Service	
63623 Taize Service - Expenses	229.64
63627 Taize Service - Donations	-363.14
Total 63620 Taize Service	-133.50
64000 Insurance Expense	
64100 Property & Liability Ins.	4,250.50
Total 64000 Insurance Expense	4,250.50
66700 Professional Services	
66720 Supply Musicians	450.00
66730 Supply Clergy	5,610.00
66740 Other Professional Services	1,500.00
Total 66700 Professional Services	7,560.00
68300 Travel and Meetings	
68310 Conference, Convention, Me{257}	494.54
Total 68300 Travel and Meetings	494.54
68600 Utilities	124.33
68630 Gas	9,274.30
68640 Water	5,213.06
68800 Electricity	3,777.48
68850 Garbage	1,676.75
Total 68600 Utilities	20,065.92
69000 PayPal Fees	15.21

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	TOTAL
69120 Vanco Fees	296.85
Total Expenditures	\$157,294.22
NET OPERATING REVENUE	\$58,410.23
NET REVENUE	\$58,410.23

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Budget vs. Actuals: St. David's 2023 Budget (WIP) - FY23 P&L

January - August, 2023

	TOTAL			
	ACTUAL	BUDGET	OVER BUDGET	% OF BUDGET
Revenue				
40000 Pledges, Loose Plate and Gifts				
40100 Pledges	147,888.92	120,000.00	27,888.92	123.24 %
40300 Gifts/Open Plate	7,414.01	6,666.64	747.37	111.21 %
Total 40000 Pledges, Loose Plate and Gifts	155,302.93	126,666.64	28,636.29	122.61 %
41000 Other Income				
41100 Building Use Fees{25}	47,479.26	46,666.64	812.62	101.74 %
41110 Building Use Security Deposits	-9.26		-9.26	
Total 41100 Building Use Fees{25}	47,470.00	46,666.64	803.36	101.72 %
41200 Fundraising Events		0.00	0.00	
41250 Fundraising Income Other	380.36		380.36	
Total 41200 Fundraising Events	380.36	0.00	380.36	
41300 Other Grants	12,267.37	12,000.00	267.37	102.23 %
41400 Refunds	0.00		0.00	
41800 Interest Income Banking	283.79	280.00	3.79	101.35 %
Total 41000 Other Income	60,401.52	58,946.64	1,454.88	102.47 %
Total Revenue	\$215,704.45	\$185,613.28	\$30,091.17	116.21 %
GROSS PROFIT	\$215,704.45	\$185,613.28	\$30,091.17	116.21 %
Expenditures				
60000 Compensation				
60100 Rector Stipend/Regular Hours	16,281.00	17,854.00	-1,573.00	91.19 %
60110 Rector Housing	24,822.00	24,822.00	0.00	100.00 %
60115 Interim Rector Housing	19,044.44	18,363.00	681.44	103.71 %
60120 Rector Life Insurance	187.60	189.00	-1.40	99.26 %
60130 Rector Pension	8,385.99	6,831.00	1,554.99	122.76 %
60145 Rector Vacation Payout	5,435.63	5,491.00	-55.37	98.99 %
60160 Rector Professional Expenses		1,600.00	-1,600.00	
60200 Building Curator	1,587.05	3,000.00	-1,412.95	52.90 %
60300 Children's Ministry Coordinator	3,340.00	3,340.00	0.00	100.00 %
60400 Music Director	14,268.89	14,000.00	268.89	101.92 %
60500 Nursery Care	1,699.13	1,864.00	-164.87	91.16 %
60600 Parish Administrator	5,960.26	9,900.00	-3,939.74	60.20 %
60640 Bookkeeper/financial services	200.00	4,000.00	-3,800.00	5.00 %
60800 Payroll Expenses				
60820 Social Sec/Medicare	1,242.88	3,264.00	-2,021.12	38.08 %
60830 Workers Comp/WBF/PFML	816.56	1,600.00	-783.44	51.04 %
Total 60800 Payroll Expenses	2,059.44	4,864.00	-2,804.56	42.34 %
Total 60000 Compensation	103,271.43	116,118.00	-12,846.57	88.94 %
60900 Business Expenses				
60920 Business Registration Fees		100.00	-100.00	
Total 60900 Business Expenses		100.00	-100.00	
62000 Building & Grounds Expenses				

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	TOTAL			
	ACTUAL	BUDGET	OVER BUDGET	% OF BUDGET
62200 Building and Property Security	443.04	1,600.00	-1,156.96	27.69 %
62300 Building & Janitorial Supplies	800.32	1,000.00	-199.68	80.03 %
62400 Janitorial Service Contractor	2,176.99	2,666.64	-489.65	81.64 %
62550 Grounds/Landscaping Maintenance	0.00	666.64	-666.64	0.00 %
62560 Repairs and Maintenance	10,650.27	10,000.00	650.27	106.50 %
Total 62000 Building & Grounds Expenses	14,070.62	15,933.28	-1,862.66	88.31 %
62600 DPA		15,666.64	-15,666.64	
63000 Church & Office Expenses				
63100 Altar Guild	327.75	672.00	-344.25	48.77 %
63150 Bank Charges	48.47	752.00	-703.53	6.45 %
63175 Children's Ministry Expense	13.99	336.00	-322.01	4.16 %
63200 Church & Misc Supplies		0.00	0.00	
63225 Conferences and Meetings		664.00	-664.00	
63250 Copier Expenses	1,142.07	1,240.00	-97.93	92.10 %
63350 Dues and Subscriptions	75.00	225.00	-150.00	33.33 %
63400 Licenses and Fees	374.90	300.00	74.90	124.97 %
63450 Ministry Expenses	655.46	1,336.00	-680.54	49.06 %
63500 Music Expenses/ Non Personnel	500.00	600.00	-100.00	83.33 %
63550 Office Supplies & Expenses	383.12	672.00	-288.88	57.01 %
63600 Parish Hospitality	1,917.09	1,600.00	317.09	119.82 %
63650 Postage and Delivery		400.00	-400.00	
63750 Telephone/Fax/Internet Expense	1,964.80	3,000.00	-1,035.20	65.49 %
63800 Youth Ministry Expense Not Compensation		336.00	-336.00	
Total 63000 Church & Office Expenses	7,402.65	12,133.00	-4,730.35	61.01 %
63620 Taize Service				
63623 Taize Service - Expenses	229.64		229.64	
63627 Taize Service - Donations	-363.14		-363.14	
Total 63620 Taize Service	-133.50		-133.50	
64000 Insurance Expense				
64100 Property & Liability Ins.	4,250.50	5,666.64	-1,416.14	75.01 %
Total 64000 Insurance Expense	4,250.50	5,666.64	-1,416.14	75.01 %
66700 Professional Services				
66720 Supply Musicians	450.00	800.00	-350.00	56.25 %
66730 Supply Clergy	5,610.00	4,640.00	970.00	120.91 %
66740 Other Professional Services	1,500.00	1,500.00	0.00	100.00 %
Total 66700 Professional Services	7,560.00	6,940.00	620.00	108.93 %
68300 Travel and Meetings				
68310 Conference, Convention, Me{257}	494.54	672.00	-177.46	73.59 %
Total 68300 Travel and Meetings	494.54	672.00	-177.46	73.59 %
68600 Utilities	124.33		124.33	
68630 Gas	9,274.30	10,000.00	-725.70	92.74 %
68640 Water	5,213.06	4,800.00	413.06	108.61 %

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Budget vs. Actuals: St. David's 2023 Budget (WIP) - FY23 P&L

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	TOTAL			
	ACTUAL	BUDGET	OVER BUDGET	% OF BUDGET
68800 Electricity	3,777.48	4,666.64	-889.16	80.95 %
68850 Garbage	1,676.75	1,336.00	340.75	125.51 %
Total 68600 Utilities	20,065.92	20,802.64	-736.72	96.46 %
69000 PayPal Fees	15.21		15.21	
69120 Vanco Fees	296.85		296.85	
Total Expenditures	\$157,294.22	\$194,032.20	\$ -36,737.98	81.07 %
NET OPERATING REVENUE	\$58,410.23	\$ -8,418.92	\$66,829.15	-693.80 %
NET REVENUE	\$58,410.23	\$ -8,418.92	\$66,829.15	-693.80 %