

March 2024 Reports

Priest-in-Charge Report

This past month we switched to Bible Study on the fourth Thursday of the month and the first one has been a huge success. Wonderful engagement and conversation has come out of it and I am in fact sad this month we have to skip it because it is Holy Week.

The hardcore work for the General Convention has started. I have been appointed to the Dispatch Committee which, apparently, is the committee that makes everything happen in the legislature. I am excited about the work.

The Standing Committee, the Diocesan Council and the Board of Trustees of the perpetual fund got together for the second Tri_meeting in history to discuss achievements, goals, and possibilities for collaboration. There will be a joint presentation at diocesan convention.

We had the pre-diocesan convention meeting last week. Joe Frank was elected as our regional representative. I have asked Steve Hutchinson how we can be moved from the Salt Lake region to the Eastern/Southeastern region and we have to propose a resolution to amend the annex in the constitution and canons that describes the regions. I plan to do that next year as I strongly feel that we have a lot more in common with the rest of the regions south and east of us and if the bishop does recommend that regions get together to share resources, it would serve us better to share resources to those that are similar to us.

We are officially starting the discernment committee for Lon. It is all put together and we are going to have the first meeting in mid-April and then his committee will set a schedule. His committee chair is Emily Crofts and the other members are Lyn Monson and Luka Romney. Emily is proving to be an excellent resource for our congregation and she is very dedicated to organizing and coordinating discernment.

I was invited to write and present a paper at an academic conference at BYU about the importance of the instructed Eucharist for the students that come here to learn about what we do. I will present this together with Mike McKay, the professor who brings the students here. I am very excited about this and will tell you more about it when it happens.

Senior Warden Report

I haven't had time to do much between our last meeting and now. There was little progress with Ricoh, regarding terminating the lease and returning the printer; but I did notice that they were sending correspondence to an incorrect email address, so I will follow up with them again soon. I also wanted to talk to Andrew about making the requested outreach budget visibility changes

to our financial reports, but didn't end up getting to it. However, the end of the first quarter is coming up, so maybe we can make sure to have a Finance Committee meeting soon, and have those changes implemented before our next Bishop's Committee meeting.

Junior Warden Report

We had a good turn out for cleanup, including six students from BYU. We got a lot done, cleaning up the leaves and clearing out the garden boxes, but there's still more to do. I also fixed the faucet leak in the kitchen by tightening them a little more, but I still need to look at the one in the sacristy. Also, the ice maker is now working on the refrigerator.

Treasurer's Report

Income

- Pledge contributions were in line with the February monthly budget.
- Plate contributions were well above budget for February. Year-to-date plate contributions were above budget by 1k.
- Grant income for February was received as expected.
- Support group donaEons are well above budget (almost half of the annual budget received by Feb 29).
- Overall, income year-to-date was ahead of budget by \$3.5k.

Expense

- Multifunction printer expense posted to Office Equipment expense; when considering available copier lease budget, copier equipment-related expense is not over budget.
- Natural gas expense was well above budget, but other utilities were in line with or under budget.
- Rector/Priest pension expense appears to be under budgeted for the year. This will be taken into consideration during next year's budget planning.

There was a \$3.7k deficit for the month of February, which was greater than budget by approximately \$1.3k. There was a \$6.5k deficit year-to-date, which was greater than budget by approximately \$1.8k. Some of the year-to-date deficit pertained to the payment of December 2023 expenses in January 2024.