

# BLOW YOUR TRUMPET GABRIEL

## *News of the Life and Ministries of St. Gabriel's Episcopal Church*

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**Early Spring  
2024**

**Issue 6  
Highlights**

Voice of the Vestry

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Meeting

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2024 Financial Report  
from the Treasurer

*“Our mission is to share with our neighbors our love of God through worship, fellowship and service. We will journey together both during our worship and outside our church walls, as a community of faith, in unity with God and each other in Christ.”*

*The Vestry - St. Gabriel's Episcopal Church    March 2024*

**The Voice of the Vestry**  
**A Summary of Vestry Minutes**  
**February 11, 2024**

**St. Gabriel's Annual Parish Meeting**  
**February 18, 2024**

**Present:** Ron Stack (Sr. Warden), Robert Pearston (Clerk), Debra Karamby (Treasurer) (via Zoom), Mark Pruzin (Jr. Warden), Kris Zabrensky (Asst. Treasurer)

**Vestry Members:** Re Pruzin, Tim Chicker, Curt Richards, and Muriel Olson

10:52AM: Call to order, w/ prayer, Ron Stack

Minutes for the 1/14/24 Vestry meeting accepted.

**Sr. Warden Report:** Lighting fixtures from the firehouse are available, will need assistance mounting if we decide to use them. Heat in some areas seems deficient; Ron will contact a contractor to evaluate. Easter service will be a Saturday (3/30) evening vigil, 5:00PM with Victoria, no service on Sunday morning. Difficulty in obtaining supply clergy was discussed.

**Jr. Warden Report:** Front page of the website will have entire Easter schedule, Ash Wednesday through the Saturday Vigil. Ron reported that Bill Makucin has put forward his name for Vestry. The next newsletter will be issued after the Annual Meeting.

**Treasurers Report:** Financial reports distributed, reports accepted. It was noted that the full bill for the website development had been received.

**Old Business:** A membership role was distributed for additions or corrections for the Annual Meeting.

The plaque for the donated windows is still in progress.

Hall rentals were discussed.

**New Business:**

Next meeting will be March 10, 2024.

11:40AM Adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,  
Robert Pearston, Clerk

The church's annual meeting was held as required by the by-laws on February 18, 2024 in the sanctuary of the church. Nineteen members were in attendance, amounting to 50% of the eligible members well exceeding the required quorum. The minutes of the previous annual meeting were accepted, as were reports on the convention and regional mission. It was noted that the Bishop had eliminated the regional missioner's positions with the start of the new year.

The Senior Warden reported that no clergy had been found yet, and supply clergy is becoming difficult to locate. He also reported on the bat mitigation efforts and lighting improvements.

The Junior Warden affirmed Ron's comments on the difficulty of finding clergy and asked that the meeting recognize the efforts of the Administrator in this and other tasks. The website is 100% up and running.

The Treasurer presented the 2024 budget and submitted the report on 2023. The church finished the year with income exceeding expenses primarily due to successful fund raising mitigating a fall of in pledge income.

The Senior Warden directed the Clerk to cast one ballot for the slate of officers, there being no nominations from the floor. Debra Karambay will replace Robert Pearston as delegate to convention, with Bob serving as alternate.

The next Annual Meeting was set for February 16, 2025.

## Notes from the Junior Warden

- Breakfast will be back in April following Morning Prayer Services! Donations will go to the General Fund. For questions or to volunteer to assist in the kitchen, please contact Mark Pruzin.
- Saint Gabriel's is still looking for a Quarter Time Priest. Revered Miller will continue to cover some of our services this spring. We will continue to update the congregation as more information is available .
- Effective April 1, Morning Prayer services will be held at 9:00 AM.
- Eucharist with Reverend Miller will continue to be at 11:00 AM. Please check the website for information regarding Sunday services. The website is updated regularly. Anyone who would like to add to the website should speak to the Jr. Warden.
- The vestry would like to welcome Bill Makucin to the vestry. Vestry members serve for 2 years. Anyone with inquiries regarding St. Gabriel's vestry can speak with any member.

## In Memorium

*The new candleabra candles have been graciously donated by the Altar Guild in loving memory of Sharon Bishop.*



## Holy Week Service Schedule

March 24: *Palm Sunday*  
Eucharist, 11:00am

March 28: *Maundy Thursday*  
Eucharist, 1:00pm

March 29: *Good Friday*  
Eucharist, 1:00pm

March 30: *Easter Eve*  
Eucharist, 5:00pm

*There will not be a service  
on Sunday, March 31.*

