

Highlights from the vestry's annual retreat on 2/26:

- The vestry met in person in the courtyard at St. Mary's and enjoyed good conversation and a light lunch together.
- We adopted a Covenant to help guide us in our behavior and our relationships with one another and with the congregation.
- The Rector is calling this a year of discernment for the path ahead. The vestry is reading the book *How To Lead When You Don't Know Where You Are Going* by Susan Beaumont. This is a book the parish may also find helpful as we navigate our way through what is hopefully the recovery phase of the pandemic. The readings may lead to some interesting Coffee Hour discussions.
- Vestry Liaisons are being reinstated to increase ministry visibility and enhance communication with the vestry and congregation.
  - Susan Blush (Worship)
  - Donna Daunt (Buildings & Grounds)
  - Ray Brown (Finance)
  - Elizabeth McCorkle and Mickey Welsh (Parish Life)
  - Jackie Frey (Outreach)
  - Cynthia Guthrie (Communications)Liaisons will contact ministry leaders monthly for updates to report to the vestry.
- In the coming year the vestry will meet on the fourth Wednesday of the month from 4:30-6:00pm. Regular meetings will be on Zoom for the time being. If you are interested in attending a vestry meeting please contact Fran Foote ([fran.foote@gmail.com](mailto:fran.foote@gmail.com)) for meeting information.