



ST. MARK'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH  
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THE REV. CANON DAVID A. ZWIFKA, RECTOR  
THE REV. LORETTA L. COLLINS, DEACON

*Vestry Minutes*  
*September 17, 2013*

The Vestry of St. Mark's held their regular monthly meeting with Fr. David Zwifka, Deacon Loretta Collins, Blair Hannon, Deb Vaughn, Tony Hatfield-Nicholson, Fred McKinley, John Xanthopoulos, Elta Lauver and Joyce Hart attending.

Deacon Loretta Collins offered the opening prayer.

Fr. David led a discussion on the "awareness of context and congregational dynamics". We need to know who we are, what our resources are and where we're going in the future. Fr. David reminded us to think about the possibility of changing our expectations as it relates to reality (average age of parishioners, size of parish and placement of the life cycle) and "rejoice in the moment".

The minutes of the last meeting were approved as submitted.

The Vestry then reviewed the Finance Report. It was accepted as submitted.

Fr. David briefly reviewed the written Rector's Report, which was given to all present. This included his continuing visitations to homebound parishioners and also an acknowledgement of the hard work put forth by all to make the visit of the Presiding Bishop a memorable one. A concern is the deteriorating condition of the steeple, which will need to be addressed in the future. Fr. David has also started the preliminary steps for creating a columbarium in the future, which will part of the Cemetery Fund.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned to meet again October 15, 2013.

Fr. David then offered the closing prayer.

Joyce M. Hart  
Clerk of the Vestry