

## **St John the Divine - Property Committee Report, November 3, 2017**

We spent much of our time discussing the budget process, and the development of the budget for the Property Committee. I previously asked committee members to re-familiarize themselves with the Terms of Reference for the committee to prepare themselves for our discussion. Sandy Cotton is our point person and he has had very useful conversations with members of the Parish Finance Committee and with our Parish Treasurer. At present we have no firm numbers, but anticipate the possibility that in December we will have a draft to consider.

We were informed that the PC had agreed with our proposal to allocate \$10,000 of our budget to the Lighting project. We received no clear indication of how the PC felt about the disposition of the 'gate' on Quadra, or of the suggestion of our 'employing' a Parish Cat. We were informed that the PC has approved the purchase of chairs for the Chapel.

Rome wasn't built in a day, the matter of the signage on Quadra Street is taking even longer. As they say we are experiencing technical difficulties.

Various housekeeping items were considered. Michael has agreed to address the matter of signage for the gender neutral washrooms on the main floor of the Parish House, and to replace the white tape on the risers in the sanctuary.

Subsequent to our meeting we were informed that the sound system needed a \$700.00 part and as the committee is authorized to spend up to \$1,000.00 we approved the purchase. As we have had no direction otherwise, we are looking to re-install the gate on Quadra. We are following, with interest, the progress of the proposal to put a ramp to the basement of the church, and the acquisition of temporary lighting for the evening services over the Christmas season.

Anne Moon has served the Committee and Parish well for a number of years, she recently has decided to re evaluate her priorities and has resigned from the Committee. Betty Miller's name has been suggested as her replacement, and if Betty agrees we would be delighted to have her serve. Incidentally, with the number of 'projects' being considered the Committee would welcome others to share the load.

Respectfully submitted, Andrew Gates, Chair.