

Junior Warden's Report

At last October's vestry meeting, the vestry elected me to succeed Susan Norris as junior warden. Susan has ably and tirelessly served in this role for nearly all six years that she's been on vestry. I am grateful for her willingness to guide me as I settle into the position. In her report at Annual Meeting a year ago, Susan had noted the many upgrades to the church building in 2019 that the Next 150 Capital Campaign had made possible.

A few more campaign projects ended during this past year. Especially noteworthy was the much-anticipated completion of our organ. (Many of us have already heard it remotely.) Work on our now commercial-grade kitchen was also finished. Thanks to Cheyanne's unflagging persistence, the St. Louis County Health Department inspected the kitchen and certified it. A "Grade A" seal now adorns the kitchen door, and eventually we'll be able to use the space in a more meaningful way.

In March 2020, more investment in technology suddenly became essential. Thanks to these upgrades and the willingness of various individuals who assisted with this tech transition, Holy Communion was able to pivot effectively from in-person to virtual Sunday worship service. Nearly all other programming went virtual as well. One exception was the garden. Under the care and guidance of Anne Pokoski and Jordan Houry and many other helping hands, this patch of earth produced many pounds of greens for Trinity's food ministry.

Soon new stained glass windows will be installed on the west side of the nave. This spring, some new native plants will take root, thanks to our new sexton, Zack Campbell, who grasps the importance of such things. Also this spring, I'll consult with the Building Committee about a retaining wall that needs attention.

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