## IMMANUEL VESTRY MEETING Wednesday May 11, 2022 KEY MESSAGES

## **MISSIONAL**

A *Ministerial Transition Plan* has been formulated for ministry actions post June 30, 2022.

**Bishop Helen will be presiding** the first two Sundays of July, with the **interim priest Rev. Dr. John Stonesifer** coming in mid-July to the end of this year.

## **STRATEGIC**

The *Canons were reviewed* as they relate to responsibilities of vestry and wardens. There was discussion about addressing outdated Canons. It was noted that there is a Diocesan Synod later this year. That provides opportunity to work on some needed changes to the Canons, and for those to be presented to Synod for consideration.

Next steps following the *May 5, 2022 Congregational Meeting* with Bishop Helen were discussed. At that meeting Bishop Helen provided responses from parishioners to *Frequently Asked Questions*. The responses to these questions were recorded and the questions and responses will be shared with all parishioners – *watch for those* coming through the announcements.

Vestry has approved the *Terms of Reference for a Planning and Coordination Group* that will perform agenda preparation and other tasks on behalf of Vestry.

Plans were finalized for the *Sunday, May 15, 2022 Special Congregational Meeting*. The purpose was to elect a Warden to replace Nadine Smith. Diane Gingras is the *newly elected Immanuel Warden*; Rod Ashley who was elected at the February 2022 Annual General Meeting *remains as Warden*. Christine Burton, who was also a candidate for Warden, will continue her involvement as a *member of Vestry and the Immanuel leadership team*.

## **BUSINESS**

It was agreed that Immanuel would seek to create a *scent free environment as much as possible,* recognizing the need to manage this goal in a sensitive way. Scented products such as soap and cleaning products will be replaced. Scent Free signs will be put up in the building.

An assistive hearing audio system is now in operation in the Church, and *assistive hearing devices* are available at Sunday services.

**The next Vestry meeting date** is Wednesday May 25 at 6:30 p.m.