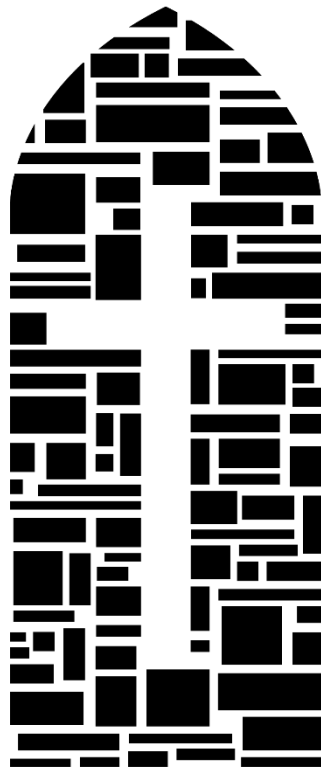


# **SAINT JOHN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH**

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### **Annual Report 2017**

presented at the Annual Parish Meeting, 28 January 2018

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## Senior Warden's Report

Driving along 41<sup>st</sup> street reveals the beauty of our Parish church. From a former cotton field, our magnificent campus has arisen from a vision to spread the gospel of Jesus Christ. I am deeply honored and grateful for the opportunity to serve as your Senior Warden.

St. John's outreach ministries continue to provide much needed assistance to McClure Elementary, South Tulsa Community House and many others. Father Irv has presided over a growing number of new members and it is nice to see the sanctuary full on Sunday mornings for inspiring and relevant worship services. Joseph Arndt's music ministry continues to provide outstanding performances which draw others to the Church. The Holy Grounds program for young parents has taken off and the work of Ministry Architects has reinvigorated our children's and youth ministries. We have also welcomed Andrew Scott as our Curate for a two-year period.

The vision and leadership of Dan Evatt, and generous donors, has led to the upcoming installation of a "one-of-a-kind" chancel organ by Schoenstein & Co. Like the magnificent stained glass windows installed a generation ago, the new chancel organ will magnify our traditional Anglican worship and serve as a testament of faith to succeeding generations at St. John's.

Special thanks to Bill Chevaillier, Richard Medlock and the Finance/Investment Committees for their financial leadership roles at St. John's. Outgoing Vestry members, Lise Dean; Martha Hicks, Gary Szabo and Mickey Wilson should be congratulated. 2018 looks to be another outstanding year!

James R. Hicks, *Senior Warden*

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## Junior Warden's Report

The year 2017 began with setting a series of goals to get some necessary repairs and improvements done to our campus. Over the past year we managed to complete some: we completed the landscaping around the labyrinth, which has three new dogwoods, and the sprinkler system was repaired. The steps outside the bell tower and common room were fixed, as well as the walkway by the flagpole. A new pump was installed in the boiler room on the hot water loop and we repaired the humidifier. The kitchen saw the installation of a new exterior door and new doors and frame were also installed in the common room. New chairs were purchased for the balcony and the old protective glass

on the Altar and Rose windows were replaced with clear tempered glass. Robert Parris was hired as our new Sexton in May.

The past year also brought us some unexpected surprises. In August long time maintenance supervisor Keith Engel left in pursuit of a new and exciting job opportunity. We wish him the best. We also experienced three major water issues. One due to heavy rains that exposed our aging drainage and guttering systems that need to be fixed in the near future. A malfunctioning water feature caused another water issue and is yet to be resolved. Thirdly, there was a broken water line that was underneath the patio, which has been repaired.

In the coming year we will see the removal of our old organ shortly after Easter and the installation of our new organ beginning in July. Please be patient and enjoy the process. During this same period it is hoped that we will get some much needed restoration to our pews and kneelers. We also plan to begin to replace the drainage system around the church and paint the exterior trim before the installation of the new guttering. We also hope to improve our security system around the church and hire another maintenance person to complement Robert and Mayra.

It looks to be an exciting year here at St. John's. Thank you for your commitment and all the prayers and blessings that you have passed on to the Church.

Doug Crews, *Junior Warden*

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## Rector's Report

I name St. John's Church in my daily prayers every morning, giving thanks for the privilege of sharing ministry with the people of the congregation. In the following pages you'll see reports representing so many of the vital and thriving ministries that are based here. We can all celebrate the resources that God makes available to us, and for the opportunities to share those resources in ways that serve God's purposes.

So many lives were touched at St. John's in 2017 – so many people came to know more fully the love of God and the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ. I look forward to continuing that important work in 2018.

Faithfully submitted,

The Rev. Irving Cutter, *Rector*

## **Worship**

Worship is at the center of all we do at St. John's.

A newcomer might be surprised to learn how many people are involved in making worship happen. People in the office produce the bulletins, and building staff help maintain the beauty of our worship spaces. The Altar Guild gets the space ready to use and tends to the objects we use in our services. Musicians and choir members rehearse. Lectors practice the lessons they will read. Clergy prepare their sermons. A lot of preparation goes into every one of the church's liturgies.

During the service, ushers greet and help keep things in order. Acolytes and chalice bearers assist the clergy. Musicians lead the congregation in singing God's praises.

Everyone has a role in the church's worship. We can give thanks for the worshippers in the pews who join in prayers and hymns, and we can give special thanks for the many people with specialized roles whose commitment enhances our praise of God.

In 2017, we continued to offer two services on Sunday mornings, and Evening Grace, our contemporary service, on Sunday evenings. Evening Grace continues to provide us an opportunity to celebrate Holy Communion in an informal, contemporary setting, where we can experiment and try new formats throughout the year. At the beginning of 2018, Evening Grace relocated from Powell Hall to the Church.

In fall 2017, we began offering monthly Choral Evensong on the last Sunday of the month.

## **The Music Program**

As I look back on the year 2017, there is so much to celebrate.

In January, the Vestry approved the commissioning of our new chancel organ which is being built by Schoenstein & Co. in Benicia, California. The new organ will be installed in July 2018 and I look forward to it enriching the worship of this parish.

The organ campaign has been very successful. We have received 80 gifts and pledges for a total of \$1,491,000. In addition to the organ construction cost of \$1.4 million, there will be additional expenses for modifications related to the organ chamber and blower room. We also hope to build up an organ maintenance fund and offer inaugural concerts/services. Thank you so much to everyone who has already made commitments to this project. I hope everyone in our

parish community will participate. If you have questions or would like to make a pledge/gift, please speak to Dan Evatt or me.

The Chancel Choir had a year of substantial growth. In 2017 we gained four new volunteer members. I hope even more people with a passion for great sacred music will join us. In September, we began offering Choral Evensong on the last Sunday of the month. Adam Pajan (from the organ faculty at OU) is the organist for this series. I invited Adam to join us as our Artist-in-Residence. He will be offering educational events for the congregation in 2018.

In October, many parishioners enjoyed the series "Wittenberg 500: Remembering the Protestant Reformation." Parishioner Bill Lyons and I planned a series of forums featuring several guest speakers. The choir sang corresponding Reformation music on Sunday mornings. The series culminated in a concert with the choir and sackbuts, followed by a German buffet dinner on October 29. The event drew 270 people.

Music at Midday continues to increase in popularity. This fall between 70 and 85 people attended each recital. We have welcomed many visitors and several have begun attending our Sunday services. Each Wednesday we enjoy wonderful meals prepared by an enthusiastic group of parishioners. I am grateful for the leadership of Janice Ingle as chair of the Music at Midday Committee.

In November the music program hosted a table at the Diocesan Convention ministry fair. Phyllis Dotson, Carteena Robohm, and I distributed brochures which highlight our musical outreach to the community.

On December 10, the choir offered Handel's Messiah with period instruments under guest conductor Timothy Brown from Cambridge, England. Tickets were sold out, and we plan to offer two performances in December 2018. On December 5, I offered a public forum on Handel's Messiah with guest speakers Timothy Brown and Anna Battigelli, the Bell Distinguished Lecturer at the University of Tulsa. Thank you to Katherine Magrini for sponsoring the Messiah weekend!

I would like to make a special acknowledgement to Carteena Robohm for the countless hours she gives to the Handbell Choir, music library, and other administrative tasks.

Joseph Arndt, *Organist / Choirmaster*

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## The Altar Guild

Altar Guild membership is a ministry to the Glory of God. We work in reverence and humility to create a holy place, a place where God is honored.

The Altar Guild at St. John's Episcopal Church is made up of a group of dedicated women who assist the clergy in preparing the church for the liturgy of worship. It is made up of three groups: The Altar Guild teams, the Bread Committee, and the Flower Committee. Each group plays a vital part in the process of assuring that the church is in proper readiness for all services.

Membership in each of these three groups fluctuates from year to year. In addition to the regularly scheduled services, members of the teams also assisted with weddings and funerals; Lent, Holy Week, and Easter services; Christmas decorating and services; and the Epiphany service and drip beef dinner.

Kristine Taylor began the year as Directress, and when her term ended, Fr. Cutter invited me to succeed her. Those who served in Altar Guild leadership roles for 2017 included Kelly Jezek, Treasurer; Julia Gold, Secretary; Anne Burlingame, Flower Committee Head; Diana Carter, Bread Chairperson; Debbie Hensley, Training Chairperson; Peggy Woods, Wedding Chairperson; and those who served as team captains for the year. Fr. Irv Cutter heads up our organization, and we are most grateful for his continued guidance and support.

Respectfully submitted,

Janice Cline, *Directress*

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## Acolytes

2017 was another great year for the Acolyte program at St. Johns. We continue to add new members and more families join in the communal act of worship. Any child aged 10 or up is encouraged to join our group. Please reach out to Meg Perdue at (918)693-0622 or [megperdue@ymail.com](mailto:megperdue@ymail.com) for more information. And to all the families who are already participating, thank you for supporting our teams.

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## The Ushers

"For a day in your courts is better than a thousand elsewhere. I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God than dwell in the tents of wickedness".  
Psalm 84:10

I am proud to lead a team of dedicated ushers who serve at Sunday services, funerals and holiday services. This is a ministry of greeting and service to St. John's.

Special thanks to all of the ushers who volunteer their time to St. John's.

If you are interested in serving as an usher, please contact me or any usher member.

Respectfully,

Steve Taylor, *Director*

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## Lectors and Eucharistic Ministers (LEM's)

Welcome to 2018! I am very pleased that Fr. Irv has asked me to help with the Lectors and Eucharistic Ministers group. For me, being a part of our beautiful church service is a great honor and makes my experience much more meaningful.

Lectors are those who read the first reading of our service. Eucharistic Ministers read, participate in the prayers of the people, and serve the chalice. We have a wonderful group of people who do this, but we are always open for more volunteers. We will have a training session early this spring, and we help each other always when we serve.

For me, speaking God's word, and sharing Christ's blood are very powerful ways of feeling God's presence. Listen to your heart and if you are interested in joining us, please feel free to contact either myself, Fr. Irv, or the office to let us know. All are welcome in God's house and in His service.

Lynn Kimmel

## Pastoral Care and Outreach

One of the most important aspects of the call to discipleship is the task of caring for others in need.

Pastoral care happens through many people, including our Eucharistic Visitors (EVs), who bring Communion to those in hospital, to the homebound, and to those in various facilities.

We also share God's grace with others through outreach efforts beyond our community. The Outreach Committee oversees a great variety of projects at the local level and beyond.

St. John's is a generous congregation, and we can celebrate the many ways that the grace of God is made known to others through our efforts!

## Prayers & Squares

St. John's Prayers and Squares is a member of the national organization which makes and donates prayer quilts to those who are ill or in crisis; both church members and friends of members. The quilts are hand

made by ladies of St John's, with a cross affixed to the back, and a label with the recipient's name. The quilt is blessed at a Sunday service. Yarn strands are tied by congregants while they pray for the recipient by name.

Our long time director, Betty Bilbrey, has recently stepped down, handing the organization of the evening group to Gerene Adwon, and the daytime group to Jessica Stowell. We thank Betty for her long service and dedication to Prayers and Squares.

We held a quilt workshop in January to share information and upgrade our skills; it brought out about 20 interested ladies. This Fall we posted requests for fabric donation and monetary donations to keep our supplies and equipment in good shape. Several St. John's members donated generously. If you still want to donate fabric, it should be at least one yard of quilting cotton.

We present an average of six quilts per month; that keeps our members hopping as it takes several days to make each one. We have seven active members in the evening group and five in the daytime group. There is always **room for more**. We meet the first Tuesday of the month at 1:00pm and the third Monday of the month at 5:30pm in the P & S room at the north end of the basement. To request a quilt, make a donation, or to volunteer call Jessica Stowell or Gerene Adwon.

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### **Caring and Loving Listeners**

CALL is a support group sponsored by the Community of Hope at St. John's. We are a group of ladies who meet once a week for an hour of friendship, spiritual support and sharing our lives past and present. The leader begins with a prayer and a story that asks a question. The fun begins when we hear the responses from all of us. We are ages 50-80 so we have a lot in common. Sometimes we laugh; sometimes we might shed a tear. Always, we leave refreshed and ready to face the week ahead.

You do not have to be 50-85 to join us. You may be faced with older parents or friends who are older and require you as their caregiver or just curious.

We are in the Fox Library at 10:30am every Monday morning with coffee and a brunch treat.

Questions? Contact Beth Dunkin: 918-724-4728, Betty Bilbrey: 918-491-9911 or Martha Hicks: 918-742-6625.

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### **The Outreach Committee**

The mission of St. John's Outreach is to inspire and encourage the community of St. John's to actively seek

Christ in all people, by engaging and supporting to the needs of our neighborhood, city, and world. Because of the generosity of St. John's parish, the Outreach Committee has donated \$32,200, and partnered with the following community and worldwide organizations in 2017:

- SOUTH TULSA COMMUNITY HOUSE (STCH)- Located in the 57th & South Peoria area, STCH provides an emergency food pantry, GED classes, job assistance programs, a computer center and is the distributor for Community Food Bank Senior Servings program.
- PARTNER IN EDUCATION McCLURE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL- located in the vicinity of the 61st and south Peoria area, Outreach has provided over 480 boys and girls, from pre-K to 6th grade, with new school uniforms. Our volunteers for READING PARTNERS helped McClure students increase their literacy rates and achieve and improve their grade level reading rates.
- EMERGENCY INFANT SERVICES - helps Tulsa families in crisis meet the basic needs of children, from birth to 5 years old, by providing formula, diapers, clothes, car seats and strollers.
- BUSHENYI ALLIANCE FOR RURAL DEVELOPMENT (BARD)- St. John's sponsors five Ugandan girls and boys by providing tuition, room, board and books to provide the opportunity to improve their and their families's lives.
- CLAREHOUSE HOSPICE - St. John's provides financial support to provide a supportive, loving and quality end-of-life care for two people.
- ST. JOHN'S YOUTH GROUP/DAY CENTER FOR THE HOMELESS - each month the Youth Group, under the direction of Paula Rule, prepares and transports a home cooked meal for 150 homeless people at the Day Center. Also, each year the St. John's Youth Group collects and distributes Thanksgiving dinners to those less fortunate.
- NEW HOPE OKLAHOMA - provides for children with one or both parents in prison. New Hope provides summer camps, after school programs, holiday parties and family case management.
- HABITAT FOR HUMANITY (HFH) - St. John's volunteers have participated in 19 HFH homes by giving their time, talents and funds to help make Tulsa families home ownership dreams come true.
- IRON GATE - located at Trinity Episcopal Church, on the first Saturday of each month, St. John's volunteers give their time to serve the homeless

working Soup Kitchen Duty and/or Grocery Pantry Duty.

- YOUTH FOR CHRIST (YFC) - a new Community Partner to St. John's, YFC is a ministry that grew from the Juvenile Justice Center to assist at risk youth, between 12 to 18 years of age, by providing Project Safe House, after school tutoring, mentoring and job training.

Thank you St. John's parishioners and Outreach Committee members, Don Niemeyer, Alec Moss, Imona Omole, Dorian Kurin, Stephanie Byrd, Mickey Wilson and our Clergy liaison, Andrew Scott, for your faithfulness, willingness and generosity to serve.

Respectfully Submitted,

Susan Lyons, *Outreach Committee Chair*

## Ministries for Children and Youth

St. John's has long been committed to providing resources for its younger members. Members of the staff oversee classes for children and teenagers, and our youth group continues to provide a setting for fellowship and discipleship, centered on a variety of outreach projects.

St. John's continues to sponsor Boy Scout Troop 153 and related groups. This troop is one of the strongest in Tulsa, as you'll read in the troop's report.

The success of ministries to children and teens depends on the dedication of volunteers and the support and commitment of parents. To the extent that people commit with their time and their energies, these ministries thrive.

In 2017 we continued our consultation with Ministry Architects, who guided us in a process of building up structures to support our ministries. That process has borne great fruit, and we are well-positioned for the future.

## Children's Ministries

The department of Children's Ministries at St. John's offers a program that provides continuity in faith development for children from preschool age through middle school.

In the fall of 2017 we returned to the Weaving God's Promises curriculum for elementary age school children. This curriculum is based on scripture, incorporating the Book of Common Prayer, and Episcopal Church traditions. David Schaffer, with the help of John and Beverly Staedke, leads the elementary

group. Andrea Cutter, Sherri Duvall and Whitney Wagers chose the Weaving God's Promises for Youth curriculum for middle schoolers. Overall our attendance has grown and Sunday school seems to be the place to be!

In the fall we added a Primary class (4yrs – 6yrs.). The class is led by Jane Cowdery and Judy Cairl, with added help from Amanda Norwood. The class has regular attendance of 6 to 8.

Children's Chapel, led by teams of volunteers who rotate monthly throughout the school year, offers a child friendly liturgy for children ages 4–11. Children are led from the church by an acolyte and return to join their parents at the Peace. The *Sunday Paper Junior and Sermons 4 Kids* as well as activities support the Gospel lesson for the week.

Each spring, during Lent, the Rev John Rule leads a Communion Enrichment class for those who will be making a first communion and for those wanting to learn what communion is all about.

Vacation Bible School/ Choir Camp, for children ages 4–12, took place the first week in August. The timing turned out to be perfect for families who needed another activity before the beginning of school. The week is always a huge success due to all the adult and youth volunteers who run the crafts and games. We immersed ourselves in the journeys of famous people in the Bible. Our attendance doubled again this year! The grand finale is always a family picnic complete with a make your own ice cream sundae bar.

In late October we planned a Wednesday night Spooktacular – pumpkin decorating event paired with a chili cookoff. It was well attended and generated lots of enthusiasm for children's activities.

The annual Advent Event was held on the first Sunday of Advent, with Alicia and Jeff Baum planning all the activities and crafts. This year the event took place in the Common Room after the 10 am service with everyone invited to participate. There were gingerbread houses and gingerbread trains for all to decorate, gifts to make and all kinds of sweet treats. This event continues to grow every year thanks to the creativity and planning of the Baum family!

During Advent, on the Mitten Tree in the Common Room, we collect hats, underwear, gloves and socks (HUGS) for children in our area schools. Items are placed on the tree, or are brought to the altar at Christmas Eve services. Each year, St. John's Children's Ministries provides more than 500 items for

area children in need.

At the 4:30pm service Christmas Eve, a tableau is presented by the Sunday school children during the reading of the Gospel. This year's tableau was bigger and better than in years past. The addition of youth doing the reading of the Gospel and a choir of elementary and middle schoolers was well received. We plan to make that a part of the tradition. We purchased and made a few new costumes to accommodate the growing numbers of participants.

Our Nursery/Playroom attendants Buffy Ford and Sarah McLean provides a safe and loving environment for children from birth to age 6. The Nursery hours are 8:30–11:30am and during all special events and services.

I am grateful to the Christian Education department, all teachers and support staff, for their dedication and their devotion to our children.

Diana Carter, *Director of Children's Ministries*

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## **The Youth Group**

St. John's Youth is a Christian community for young people grades 6 through 12 and provides fellowship, fun, and parish and community service. Throughout 2017, we continued our efforts to serve our parish, the wider community and the planet. We are looking forward to continuing our outreach and evangelism in the church and the world. The following list represents some of our accomplishments in 2017:

- Prepared and served the evening meal at the Day Center for the Homeless every third Sunday of the month, logging 328 hours during 2017.
- Launched a Sunday School Round Up theme to kick off Christian formation for youth in the fall of 2017.
- Created and sent cards and letters to our shut-in parishioners for holidays and birthdays.
- Organized and ran the Valentine's Day Dance and Party
- Cooked and served over 1000 pancakes at the Holy House of Pancakes, also known as the Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper and BINGO extravaganza.
- Made the 350 palm crosses for Palm Sunday.
- Acted as fire makers, acolytes, lectors and chalice bearers at the Easter Vigil and hosted a reception after the Vigil.
- Collected candy and eggs to stuff and hid more than 2000 Easter Eggs for the Easter Egg Hunt.
- Traveled to New Orleans, Louisiana, for our mission trip to refurbish and remodel the house of a

disabled veteran and his wife who needed to repaint and build a wheel chair ramp.

- Provided a video and report of the mission trip and a festive brunch to the congregation.
- Placed on the church grounds 2996 American flags to remember those who died on 9/11 as a result of the terrorist attack on the World Trade Center.
- Collected and distributed food for 300 Thanksgiving baskets to families from our outreach partners: New Hope, McClure School, Native American Sobriety Association and local neighbors who need help.
- Adopted a New Hope family for Christmas
- Collected and delivered HUGS (hats, underwear, gloves, socks) to school children at McClure and to adults at the Day Center for the Homeless.

We hope to continue with these and other Christ-centered activities in 2018.

Paula Inman Rule, *Director of Youth Ministries*

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## **Boy Scout Troop 153**

2017 was a wonderfully busy year for our Troop. The year began with each patrol within the Troop scheduling their own Winter campout. The patrols were responsible for planning the location, the date, the activity, and confirming that two-deep adult leadership was present.

Camping is a cornerstone of Scouting, and our Troop certainly took advantage of every opportunity to exercise and improve upon our camping skills. Weekend camping trips were taken each month to locations that included Camp McClintock near Bartlesville, the Wichita Mountains Wildlife Refuge southwest of Oklahoma City, Greenleaf State Park near Ft. Gibson, Beaver's Bend near Broken Bow, Chickasaw National Recreation Area near Murray, Camp Garland near Locust Grove and the site of the USS Batfish in Muskogee. During these campouts Scouts had the opportunities to accomplish merit badge activities for wilderness survival, fishing/fly fishing, outdoor cooking, surveying, emergency preparedness, fire starting, blacksmithing/metal working, astronomy, beginner and advanced shooting skills and archery.

Perhaps the most exciting camping trip of 2017 was to the National Boy Scouts Jamboree in West Virginia. The National Boy Scout Jamboree is a gathering of thousands of members of the Boy Scouts of America, usually held once every four years. Our Scouts (and selfless Leaders) flew to Washington, DC for two days of sightseeing that included the National Air & Space



Museum, Arlington National Cemetery where they participated in a wreath-laying ceremony, the War Memorials of World War II, Korea and Vietnam, the Washington Monument, the personal memorials of Lincoln, Jefferson, FDR and MLK, and the Newseum (the history of American Journalism). The Scouts met with our Senator Jim Inhofe at his office and toured the US Capitol building, Library of Congress, Supreme Court, and the National Archives. They capped their second day with a Ghost & Graveyard tour in Alexandria.

The next day they boarded a bus for the Summit Bechtel Reserve in Glen Jean, West Virginia to join approximately 40,000 additional scouts for a week of unprecedented fun and service projects. President Trump even visited the Jamboree and spoke to the crowd of enthusiastic Scouts. The last leg of their journey was to the NASCAR Hall of Fame in Charlotte, North Carolina, then they arrived back, safe and sound in Tulsa, twelve days from when they left.

The Troop once again earned a Gold Award in the BSA's Journey to Excellence Program. Our troop earned a perfect score with achievements in various areas such as annual budget approval, regular Troop Committee meetings, including scouts in the annual planning meeting, having a membership recruitment plan and successful troop growth, 60% of scouts advancing per year, at least 9 short term campouts conducted, participation in service projects and adult training completed.

Our service projects included assisting with the taking down of the memorial flags at Floral Haven Cemetery on Memorial Day, working the Tulsa World Indoor Garage Sale, (helping the Altar Guild and Flower Guild decorate the Church for Christmas and helping the Youth Group distribute food to needy families at Thanksgiving.

Two Scouts achieved the coveted rank of Eagle Scout (Duncan Hughes and Jonah Davis). At least five Scouts are on track to obtain Eagle in 2018. An unprecedented amount of 32 Scouts attended Pine Tree Youth Leadership training (the first level of Scout Leadership training). Troop 153 was well-represented for the Pine Tree Staff: there are only 11 staff members for each Pine Tree session, and Jake Rawlings was the Senior Patrol Leader for the May session, while Jonathon Wilson and Matt Moore were 2 of the 11 on staff for the October session. Scouts were also sent to the National Youth Leadership Training (level two of Scout Leadership training) and National Advanced Youth

Leadership Experience (highest level of Scout Leadership training). 18 Scouts were eligible to be inducted into the Order of the Arrow, the national honor society of the Boy Scouts of America.

The Troop is very active and we are always looking for youth members and adult leaders to join and experience the values and fun of an outdoor, high adventure, Scouting program. 2018 will begin with the active enrollment of 57 scouts and 39 adults, an increase of 22 Scouts and 11 adults from 2013. If interested, stop by one of our Monday evening meetings, contact the Church office, or call one of the following leaders:

Paula Rule, Scouting Coordinator, 918-742-7381

Deanne Hughes, Troop Committee Chair, 405-202-9605

Rob Shofner, Scoutmaster, 918-496-9482

Charlie Nutter, Assistant Scoutmaster, 918-289-7058

The Leaders and Members of the Troop thank the members of St. John's Church, and especially the brotherhood of St. Andrew, for all their help and support. We also appreciate your support of our major fund raisers, the Chili Cookoff and our sale of Popcorn. This year's Chili Cook off will be February 10th and we hope everyone will come.

## **Ministry Groups**

Churches thrive when people are able to participate in small groups, forming relationships and joining together for common purposes.

Many various groups serve to build communities, drawing people closer together so they can share their discipleship journeys with one another. Some groups have a primary aim of enjoying fellowship, and others have a specific ministry that binds them together. But all of these groups contribute in important ways to our common life at St. John's.

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## **The Daughters of the King**

The Daughters of the King is an Order whose mission is to extend Christ's Kingdom through prayer, service and evangelism. Members of the DOK live out this mission in our daily life and work in the parish and in the larger community. This past year, the Daughters of the King prayed daily for those seeking prayer individually and for those in the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer. In 2017, the DOK placed a prayer box in the Tower area of the church for parishioners to request prayer; and the DOK continued to support the prison ministry by praying for those incarcerated and by reaching out to prisoners

with cards, letters and visits. The DOK also expresses its mission of evangelism by assisting the clergy with welcoming receptions and events. In 2018, the Daughters of the King hopes to continue to expand our outreach to the parish and the community through the tenets of our mission: prayer, service and evangelism. We welcome your prayer requests and we welcome all women of the parish to join us. Prayer request cards may be found in the pews or near the prayer box and may be placed in the box or in the offering plate. Please contact Barbara Lawson for more information: 918-583-7051 or 918-740-7051.

Paula Inman Rule, *Immediate Past President*

### **The Brotherhood of St. Andrew**



*The Boy Scouts receive a contribution from the Brotherhood of St. Andrew.*

Our Brotherhood of Saint Andrew chapter had a banner year in 2017. Our 3 food related events included the Chili cook-off for Troop 153 in February, the Pentecost Picnic and Independence Day Brunch with Paul Hatley's Patriotic Talk in the Summer. Several members were active at the regional and national meetings. The Annual Saint Andrew Charity Classic Tournament started by Ira Phillips in 2016 had

another great year raising funds for New Hope, Iron Gate and our Boy Scout and Venture Crew Troop 153. The Saturday Morning and Tuesday Evening groups are meeting regularly, and would enjoy having new members. We are starting 2018 with 30 members. We thanked Ira for his new initiatives and leadership over the past couple of years at our Saint Andrew's Day Celebration at the Sunday, December 3, service.

Men of Saint John's: visiting with other dedicated church members can be very rewarding. "Come and See!"

Bob Baker, *Director*

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### **St. Barbara's Guild**

St. Barbara's Guild continued to meet in 2017 on the third Thursday of the month at 11:00 in the David Fox Library. After our meeting we have lunch in the Common Room. In February we had a Valentine lunch at the home of Tom and Kay Owens. In the fall we were honored to have our curate, Rev. Andrew Scott tell us his story and have lunch with us. We are a small group

and the only remaining guild at St John's. We do not have formal programs or projects. We are group of friends who have enjoyed each other for many, many years and are there to support each other, laugh and cry with each other, and pray for each other.

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### **The Gift and Bookstore at St. John's**

It was a wonderful 2017 for The Gift and Bookstore. We enjoyed buying trips to Dallas Market in January and June for new items, which arrived throughout the year. The Gift and Bookstore hosted seasonal open houses, opened during the Music at Midday programs, the Boy Scout Chili Cook-off and for St. John concerts. The Gift and Bookstore continued it's long-time mission to give back to the community by donating \$4,500.00 to the Outreach Fund, for Community Grant support.

The Gift and Bookstore's success would not be possible without the dedication of an all volunteer staff and sales team who generously give their time. Our gratitude goes to the following Bookstore volunteers; Karen Abney, Bob Baker, Karen Hampton, Alicia and Jeff Baum, Stephanie Byrd, Ann Byrd, Judy Cairl, Janice Chevaillier, Charlene Hanlon, Jan Jackson, Whitney Jenkins, Lynn Kimmel, Peggy Landrum, Beth Latham, Kay Owens, Amy Schaffer, Jennifer Smith and Cheryl Waldeck. Debbie Hensley, Shannon Johnson and Susan Lyons are Co-Managers.

Gift and Bookstore hours are Sundays, 9:00 am to 12 noon; Tuesdays and Thursdays, 11:00 am to 1:00 pm and opened during special church events.

Thank you St. John's parishioners and community for your patronage and support.

Debbie Hensley, Shannon Johnson and Susan Lyons, *Co-Managers*

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### **Young Adults**

This past year has been marked by a lot of change and growth for the Young Adult's group. Our very own Joseph Arndt had up until July been the sole coordinator for Young Adult Events until the arrival of Fr. Andrew that same month. Now Fr. Andrew and Joseph share in the responsibilities of coordination. Something which has been instrumental for the Young Adults as it has developed is a steady, once-a-month meeting, on Thursday evenings which Joseph had begun. Some changes that have been made to the Young Adults group came from hearing feedback at the beginning of the school year for a need to meet more regularly. Part of that change has been directed both in

the social as well as formational platform and are made evident in:

- 1) The initiation of a Pub Theology which all are welcomed to but is hosted by the Young Adult's every Tuesday evening at the R Bar on Peoria from 7-8pm.
- 2) A second monthly offering on the first Sunday of every month for all of the Young Adults to share a meal after church.

A special thanks goes out to George and Phyllis Dotson who have sponsored us at our Whole Hog Dinners the past two years. Our mission is to help the church be more intentional in how it reaches out to younger members of the Body of Christ and we look forward to continued growth here at St. John's.

The Rev. Andrew Scott, *Curate*

### Christian Formation for Adults

At St. John's, we recognize that formation as a disciple is a lifetime process. So we're committed to offering formation opportunities for people of all ages, especially adults.

Classes for adults are available on Sunday mornings at 9am, as well as throughout the week, during the days and in the evenings. Offerings range from one-time events to seasonal series to year-round classes, and topics range from Bible studies to book discussion groups. The Inquirers' Class is a series offered each spring to newcomers to learn more about St. John's and the Episcopal Church.

St. John's is a partner of a venture called ChurchNext, which provides online courses and series, available for use by individuals and by groups. A list of courses is available at <http://churchnext.tv>. Contact the Rev. Irv Cutter if you have questions about ChurchNext and its offerings.

### Beth Dunkin's Bible Classes

50-80 women of all ages meet every week Monday, Tuesday and Thursday from September through May to study the Bible. Subjects are decided by the individual classes. This year we studied from Genesis through New Testament. We have fun learning and you do not have to have previous Bible knowledge. All are welcome to join us at any time during the year.

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ST. JOHN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH  
ANNUAL PARISH MEETING: SUNDAY 28 JANUARY 2018  
AGENDA

*The Annual Parish Meeting shall begin at 9:00am.*

1. Call to Order
2. Declaration of Quorum
3. Election of Clerk
4. Report of the Nominating Committee  
*(Doug Crews, Lise Dean, Martha Hicks, Gary Szabo, Mickey Wilson)*
  - a. Introduction of Vestry and Convention Nominees
  - b. Election of Vestry Members  
*four persons for full three-year terms, one person for a one-year unexpired term*
  - c. Election of Diocesan Convention Delegates  
*seven persons to represent the congregation at the Diocesan Convention in Enid in November*
5. Rector's Address
6. Financial Report
7. Recognition of Parish Leaders
8. Election of a Junior Warden
9. Commissioning of Newly Elected Leaders
10. Adjourn

St. John's Episcopal Church  
Tulsa, Oklahoma  
Minutes of the 2016 Annual Meeting  
January 22, 2017

The Annual Meeting of St. John's Episcopal Church of Tulsa, Inc. was called to order by Father Irv Cutter on January 22, 2017 at 9am. Father Cutter opened the meeting with prayer and Teresa Burkett declared a quorum present.

Fr. Cutter then nominated Karen Abney to serve as the Clerk of the Annual meeting. Mrs. Abney's election was approved by acclamation.

Fr. Cutter introduced the Nominating Committee members: Retiring Sr. Warden Jim Hicks and outgoing Vestry members Tom Frisch, Craig Jenkins, Kelly Jezek, and Joe Morris.

He then introduced the Vestry candidates asking them to come forward - Nick Bradford, John Brock, Nathan Buchanan, Stephanie Byrd, Mary Deisenroth, Janice Ingle, and Richard Medlock. (No other nominations from the floor were made.)

Fr. Cutter then introduced the Diocesan Delegate: Allyson Bedford, Doug Crews, J.P. Cully, Hannah Hicks, Jim Hicks, Craig Jenkins, Brandi Kalami, Kay Owens, Tom Owens, Dian Peacock, and Bill Smith.

The congregation was then directed to fill out vestry and delegate ballots. 4 Vestry candidates will be chosen and 7 delegate candidates will be chosen. (The rest of the delegate candidates will become alternates.) Fr Cutter hoped to announce the new Vestry members by the end of the meeting.

Rector Address: (A written report also included in the bulletin.)

*Staff Transitions:* Tony Boydston who retired several months ago is back on Sundays during the cooler months as the church requires certification to work with the boilers. We have hired Alex Andrews to replace Tony and Alex is currently working to get his certification.

Rev. Susanne Methven also left St. John's after 9 years to work with St. Francis Community Services in Salina, KS. Due to budget constraints, we are unable to hire another Associate Rector for 2017 but do have the monies for a Curate possibly this summer to start in July.

Fr. Cutter advised the congregation one of the initiatives he had hoped to start in 2017 will also need to be put on hold with the lack of an Associate Rector. The "Renewal Works Process" starts with a survey being sent out on how he can better "nourish" the congregation and community. He hopes he can revisit this initiative later in the year.

There were 2 large projects started in 2016:

- 1) The Consultation process for kids and youth with Ministry Architects. This has led to putting new structures in place to do things differently on Sunday mornings. We now have 2 different grade levels for teachings which are showing success and Fr. Cutter encouraged all in the congregation to get involved and support the youth programs.
- 2) The project to address deficiencies in the Pipe Organ. We received bids to renovate the current organ and the bids were so large that it led to conversations regarding a "new" organ. The Vestry has approved Shoenstein Organ Co. to replace the current organ late 2018 and there will be a forum in the coming days to discuss further. This will enhance the church and the Tulsa community for many years to come. Fr. Cutter asked organist Joseph Arndt to come forward. Joseph advised we currently have \$1.2million towards out \$1.4million goal and we have received additional interest from approximately 30 additional families for additional pledges.

Joseph also advised he is starting "youth" hand bell on Sunday's at 11:15am and encouraged all kids to participate.

Fr. Cutter explained we don't know what the new organ will look like nor are we sure what we will do with the current one. He also assured the congregation that those people pledging generously to the organ project are also pledging generously to the church. He asked if anyone had any other questions regarding this project, please refer them to Joseph and/or Dan Evatt.

Fr. Cutter ended his report saying he's looking forward to another good year.

#### Financial Report:

Treasurer Bill Chevallier wanted to address 3 issues:

- 1) Financials – Our budget last year had expenses greater than our revenues. We ultimately pulled \$25K from the St. John fund and an additional \$50K from an undesignated bequest from a deceased parishioner in order to end the year to the positive \$1,129.00. This year, we will be operating with a "balanced" budget
- 2) Growth is critical for the church; we need additional revenues as well as additional people to attend the church and he encouraged everyone to get involved and make a commitment.
- 3) He thanked the Finance committee for their time and praised Debbie Ainly for the outstanding job she does for the church and the committee.

Bill thanked the congregation and asked if there were further questions that needed to be answered to see him after the meeting.

#### Recognition of Parish Leaders:

Fr. Cutter recognized and thanked Martha Hicks who chaired the Daughters of the King and welcomed Paula Rule who will take Martha's position. He thanked Craig Jenkins and Dian Peacock for their leadership with the Usher committee and welcomed Steve Taylor who will take over their positions. He thanked Lynne Waters for her leadership with the Acolytes and welcomed Meg Perdue who is taking over Lynne's position. Lastly, he thanked Bard Moss for his leadership with the Outreach committee and welcomed Susan Lyons who will be taking over his position.

Fr. Cutter recognized the staff at St. Johns stating his appreciation for all they do. He was especially grateful for John Rule who "offers himself in so many ways over and above his "day" job." He stated it is a privilege to work with him.

Bob Scott is our seminarian and he is coming to the end of his 2 yrs at St. Johns. He will be ordained in July and we enjoyed having him.

Bill Smith began a program to be an ordained Deacon and he's in the 1<sup>st</sup> of a 3 year program. He normally comes to the 8am service on Sundays and he's been so faithful in so many ways.

A huge thanks to Greg and Karen Szabo for the 2years they chaired the Stewardship Campaign. Fr. Cutter complimented their creativity and their ability to inspire new pledges as well as increase current pledges. He expressed his concern over the financial commitments to the church as we are seeing more deaths and people moving away and hopes to see increases in commitments in the days to come.

Fr. Cutter placed Jim Hicks' name into nomination for the Senior Warden. A motion was made to approve the nomination by acclamation.

Fr. Cutter then introduced the new Vestry members asking them to come forward: Stephanie Byrd, Mary Deisenroth, Richard Medlock, and Janice Ingle.

There were no further questions or comments and Fr. Cutter adjourned the meeting.

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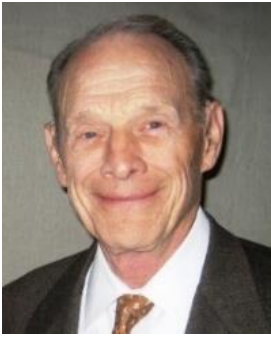
Karen Abney, *Clerk of the Annual Meeting*

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Father Irv Cutter, *Rector*

## VESTRY NOMINEES

(ELECT FOUR TO THREE-YEAR TERMS AND ONE TO A ONE-YEAR TERM)



**John Brock.** John, along with his late wife Donnie, has been a longtime member of St. John's Church. Born in Durant, Oklahoma, he graduated with a bachelor's degree in geological engineering from the University of Oklahoma in 1953 and served as an artillery officer in the Korean War. Brock has

spent some 50 years exploring and producing oil and gas. Since 1981, he has been the president and chief executive officer of Rockford Exploration, Inc. and serves as chair of the board of directors of Brighton Energy, LLC, the AGOS Group, LLC, as a director of Fabtec, Inc., and as an advisory director of Ward Petroleum, Inc.

He endowed the Brock Chair of Energy Economics and Policy at OU and is an organizer and director of The Trust Company of Oklahoma. He created the Tulsa Innovation Center to provide new opportunities for employment and to enhance the economic environment in northeast Oklahoma.

He was appointed by the Vestry in 2017 to fill an unexpired term, so he is eligible for re-election. He currently serves on the Finance Committee and chairs the newly formed Investment Committee.



**Steve Emery.** Steve Emery has been a member of St. John's Church since 1999. Steve writes:

"I grew up in Tulsa and graduated from the University of Oklahoma.

"I have two sons who are in college, Taylor at OU and Breen at Western Colorado University.

"My background and work experience includes owning my own business, and long careers at two local companies.

"I was the Director of Image and Standards for Thrifty Car Rental.

"I recently retired as the Senior Manager of Meetings for the Society of Exploration Geophysicists where I

organized and managed meetings and expositions around the world.

"At St. John's, I am an usher Team Captain, and I recently started volunteering for the Music at Midday events."



**Leanne Hudson.** Leanne has been a member of St. John's since she moved to Tulsa 17 years ago. She is married to Floyd Hudson, and has two children, Katherine and Matthew Barlow, and a mother, Kay Garland, all members of St. John's. Katherine and Matthew were in the children's choir and have been acolytes

for many years. Leanne previously served as a Vestry Member from 2007-2010, and was Fellowship Chairman from 2006-2008. She has also served as a Lay Eucharist Minister since 2005. Her areas of interest in the church include strengthening the church's endowment so St. John's is well-positioned for the future. She would also like to improve fellowship across generations because there is a lot to be learned from older parishioners, and younger members have skills to offer our seniors, as well.

Leanne is an attorney specializing in Wills, Trusts and Estates. She is licensed in Texas and Oklahoma. She recently left private practice to join the Bank of Oklahoma as a Vice President and Trust Officer.



**Meghan Joiner.** Meghan Joiner is originally from Little Rock, Arkansas, where she was an active acolyte, handbell ringer, and youth participant at the Saint James United Methodist Church. She moved to Tulsa with her husband, Eric Estes, in August 2015. Meghan

became a member of Saint John's in 2016, where she currently participates in the Saint John's handbell choir, the Young Adults group, and was featured in the Saint John's Mission Possible campaign event video series. Meghan is particularly interested in the continued growth of the Saint John's children and youth ministries, as well as increasing participation in

Young Adult programming. Continued engagement in church activities throughout all stages of life is vital to sustaining the health of the church community. To facilitate planting her roots in Oklahoma, Meghan is an active member of the Junior League of Tulsa and the Country Club of Tulsa. She enjoys watching college football, cuddling with her beagles, and exploring Tulsa's food scene with her husband. She is an Associate General Counsel at Xcaliber International, Ltd., L.L.C. Meghan and Eric are expecting a daughter, Eleanor "Ellie" Estes, in April 2018.

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**Kenna Mitchell.** Kenna has been a member of St. John's for nearly ten years. She has served on the Outreach Committee and currently serves in the Children's Chapel. She is a member of the Ushers and is training to join the Altar Guild. She is also teaming up

with Fr. Andrew Scott to create "Leadership St. John's", a new mentoring and development program for high-school aged youth in our church. Outside of church, she is a Public Information Manager for the Oklahoma Department of Transportation. Kenna is an award-winning former TV news producer, including a regional Emmy award and a national Gracie Allen award. She is currently on the PTA Board at Eliot Elementary and helps volunteer with the Tulsa Ballet and the American Diabetes Association. She and her 7-year-old daughter Vivienne live in Tulsa.

If nominated to the Vestry, she hopes her communications skills can help increase our social media presence and grow our church.

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**Alec Moss.** Alec Moss began attending St. John's in 2016 and was confirmed in 2017. He has been working in the Information Technology and Customer Success industries for more than a decade. He started in these industries by serving in the US Army as an

Intelligence Analyst. He graduated from UCO in 2010 with a degree in Business Administration.

Alec has been active at St. John's through the Young Adults Group, the Outreach Committee, and Music at Midday. He also volunteers in the welcome booth on Thursday mornings and has appeared in one of the Mission Possible videos for the church. He serves as the primary liaison to Iron Gate for the Outreach Committee.

Raised in Tulsa, Alec returned after working for a software security company in San Jose, California. His parents, Bard and Kathleen, were confirmed to St. John's Church in 2013. He also visits his brother's family in Denver, Colorado as the silly uncle to their 3 daughters and one son. Alec is passionate about music programs and outreach to newcomers at St. John's.

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**Amanda Norwood.** Amanda writes: "I moved to Tulsa in 1982 and my family and I became members of St. John's Church. After graduating from high school, I went to the University of Tulsa on a running scholarship and studied Broadcast

Journalism. I spent 4 1/2 years working in television news before starting an 18-year career in marketing and sales which has included city magazines and small to large advertising agencies.

"I also had a career as a competitive triathlete for nearly two decades, travelling all over the world. I finished in the top ten Americans at the World Triathlon Championship twice; was named by USA Triathlon as an All-American six times and was the Oklahoma state triathlon champion five times.

"My husband, Joe, and I have two little girls, Lakeley and Landry. Joe has his own law practice. My mother, Susan Erwin, is a longtime member of St. John's and an usher.

"I was heavily involved in St. John's during my school years including being an active member of the youth group, performing in church musical performances, being a member of the youth choir, teaching Sunday School and Vacation Bible School and acolyting.

"Years ago, I visited countless local churches to find out whether my "church home" was at St. John's or perhaps somewhere else. I never felt the sense of belonging that I have at St. John's, so I came back to



stay. Once my daughters were born, I realized this is the church I want them to grow up in, as I did.

"I love St. John's and want to help create a place where families can celebrate the milestones in their lives and create church traditions as I did."

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**B.J. Pohl.** B.J. writes: "My history with St. John's goes back my entire life as I was baptized as an infant in the church. Although my parents moved us to Trinity downtown where I served as an acolyte through my high school years, I frequented the church often as

a guest of its youth group and with my grandmother, Doris Spraker, who was heavily involved in the bookstore throughout the 1980's. When Heather and I were looking for a church home for the family, St. John's was a natural place to land.

"I have four children ranging in ages from 12 to 21. The three younger children regularly attend Sunday school and one of my children has gotten very involved in the youth group program. I joined the youth and children's program "Renovation Team" last year to help support the wonderful commitment the church has made to these programs. My main contribution to this team has been with our "Holy Grounds" coffee hour for parents that kicked off this year. I've enjoyed working with members of the church staff and other parishioners as part of these efforts.

"Professionally, I am an engineer by training but fell into computing. Currently I work as IT manager for a large oil and gas company."

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**NOMINEES FOR  
DIOCESAN CONVENTION DELEGATES  
(ELECT SEVEN)**

Bonnie Arnold	Kenna Mitchell
Doug Crews	Alec Moss
Jim Hicks	Ira Phillips
Betsy Hocker	Meg Purdue
Peggy Landrum	Susan Walker

**St. John's Episcopal Church  
Treasurer's Report  
Year Ended December 31, 2017**

We ended the year with net income of \$58,316.47. A recap of the previous year's finances of the Parish includes the following:

2017 pledges and contributions were over budget and expenses were under budget. The comparison of the income and expense items for 2017 per the budget with the actual amounts received and spent are as follows:

		<b>Budget 2017</b>	<b>Actual 2017</b>	<b>Budget 2018</b>
<b>Income</b>				
<b>Pledges</b>		\$ 950,000.00	\$ 995,509.06	\$ 1,000,000.00
<b>Contributions &amp; Plate</b>		\$ 102,000.00	\$ 117,116.94	\$ 113,000.00
<b>Other Income</b>		\$ 53,200.00	\$ 35,039.74	\$ 8,600.00
<b>Total Income</b>		\$ 1,105,200.00	\$ 1,147,665.74	\$ 1,121,600.00
<b>Total Expenses</b>				
		\$ 1,093,416.00	\$ 1,089,349.27	\$ 1,161,800.00
<b>Net Total</b>		\$ 11,784.00	\$ 58,316.47	\$ (40,200.00)

We have approved a budget for 2018 that reflects a net loss. Fortunately, we are able to utilize our surplus from 2017 against this projected deficit.

As you can see we had an exceptional year. I am especially excited about the renewed sense of passion, enthusiasm and conviction at St Johns. I want to take this opportunity to acknowledge and give thanks to Irv, John, Bob, Andrew and Joseph as they are catalyst for all of this. I also want to recognize Jim Hicks, Doug Crews and Richard Medlock for their dedication and commitment.

Still one of our biggest challenges is to continue to spread-out and expand our pledge revenue from multiple members rather than always having to count on our small group of highly dedicated parishioners. We must continue to strive to increase our pledges both in amount and number of pledgers. We must remember that the Church can only exist if it has an active, vibrant and participating congregation. The Finance Committee is strongly committed to implementing whatever changes are necessary to further this objective. If you have not made your Pledge for this year, it is never too late.

I would like to thank the members of the Finance Committee and Church staff who met monthly to review financial developments, and who meticulously analyzed and managed the expenses of the Church. As I have done each year, I want to especially recognize Debbie Ainley for her exceptional work as Director of Operations.

The Financial Committee is pleased to make available for viewing our financials for 2015 and 2016 issued by Briscoe, Burke & Grigsby LLP upon individual request.

As in previous years, I will be available to meet in person following the Annual Meeting to discuss any details.

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William C. Chevallier, Jr.,  
*Treasurer*

**St. John's Episcopal Church of Tulsa  
Operating Revenue & Expense**

	Budget 2017	Actual 2017	Budget 2018
<b>Income</b>			
Pledges	\$ 950,000.00	\$ 995,509.06	\$1,000,000.00
Contributions & Plate	\$ 102,000.00	\$ 117,116.94	\$ 113,000.00
Other Income	\$ 53,200.00	\$ 35,039.74	\$ 8,600.00
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$ 1,105,200.00</b>	<b>\$ 1,147,665.74</b>	<b>\$ 1,121,600.00</b>
<b>Expenses</b>			
Diocesan Assessment	\$ 185,060.00	\$ 196,103.15	\$ 195,017.00
<b>Clergy &amp; Staff</b>			
Clergy Compensation	\$ 154,389.00	\$ 149,511.56	\$ 165,697.00
Clergy Benefits	\$ 59,810.00	\$ 55,883.42	\$ 70,342.00
Staff Compensation	\$ 305,738.00	\$ 279,652.24	\$ 307,697.00
Staff Benefits	\$ 110,297.00	\$ 103,142.11	\$ 111,414.00
<b>Total Clergy &amp; Staff</b>	<b>\$ 630,234.00</b>	<b>\$ 588,189.33</b>	<b>\$ 655,150.00</b>
<b>Office Expense</b>			
Printing	\$ 13,000.00	\$ 11,603.60	\$ 13,000.00
Computer	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 9,120.51	\$ 10,000.00
Miscellaneous Office	\$ 17,800.00	\$ 15,425.66	\$ 25,300.00
<b>Total Office Expense</b>	<b>\$ 40,800.00</b>	<b>\$ 36,149.77</b>	<b>\$ 48,300.00</b>
<b>Maintenance</b>			
General Maintenance	\$ 51,000.00	\$ 52,032.36	\$ 66,000.00
Other Maintenance	\$ 9,000.00	\$ 7,907.55	\$ 9,200.00
St. John's House	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 4,620.42	\$ 5,100.00
<b>Total Maintenance</b>	<b>\$ 65,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 64,560.33</b>	<b>\$ 80,300.00</b>
<b>Operations</b>			
Utilities	\$ 42,100.00	\$ 48,009.60	\$ 46,500.00
Other Operations	\$ 65,350.00	\$ 96,882.67	\$ 70,761.00
<b>Total Operations</b>	<b>\$ 107,450.00</b>	<b>\$ 144,892.27</b>	<b>\$ 117,261.00</b>
<b>Services</b>			
Xn Education & Related	\$ 28,450.00	\$ 22,763.43	\$ 29,350.00
Music	\$ 36,422.00	\$ 36,690.99	\$ 36,422.00
<b>Total Services</b>	<b>\$ 64,872.00</b>	<b>\$ 59,454.42</b>	<b>\$ 65,772.00</b>
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 1,093,416.00</b>	<b>\$ 1,089,349.27</b>	<b>\$1,161,800.00</b>
<b>Net Total</b>	<b>\$ 11,784.00</b>	<b>\$ 58,316.47</b>	<b>\$ (40,200.00)</b>

**St. John's Episcopal Church of Tulsa**  
**Balance Sheet – All Funds**

31 December 2017

**Accounts**

**Assets**

**Cash**

**Operating**

Operating Fund - ARVEST Bank \$ 129,549

Petty Cash \$ 100

**Total Operating \$ 129,649**

**Custodial**

Custodial Fund - TCO \$ 380,417

Custodial Fund - Arvest Bank \$ 803,224

**Total Custodial \$ 1,183,641**

**Total Cash \$ 1,313,290.00**

**Investments**

UBS Endowment \$ 667,786

UBS Endowment - Harvey \$ 76,674

St. John's Fund - UBS \$ 407,763

ABG - ARVEST Endowment \$ 571,997

**Total Investments \$ 1,724,220.31**

**Fixed Assets Property Equipment**

Land \$ 12,000

Land Improvements \$ 202,517

Buildings \$ 4,089,990

Columbarium \$ 120,550

Furniture & Equipment \$ 361,409

Computer Systems \$ 14,653

Vestments \$ 8,478

Organ, Harpsichord & Pianos \$ 162,616

Carillon & Bells \$ 100,168

Handbells \$ 3,432

Van \$ 17,600

**Total Fixed Assets Property Equipment \$ 5,093,413.06**

**Total Assets \$ 8,130,923.37**

**Liabilities, Fund Principal, & Restricted Funds**

**Liabilities**

**Fund Principal**

Operating Fund Balance \$ 5,164,746

Endowment Fund Balance \$ 1,724,220

Excess Cash Received \$ 58,316

**Total Fund Principal and Excess Cash Received \$ 6,947,282.85**

**Restricted Funds**

Total Temporarily Restricted \$ 1,183,641

Total Permanently Restricted \$ -

**Total Restricted Funds \$ 1,183,640.52**

**Total Liabilities, Fund Principal, & Restricted Funds \$ 8,130,923.37**

**Saint John's Episcopal Church  
Altar Guild**

**Treasurer's Report  
31 December 2017**

Checking Balance	Prosperity Bank January 1, 2017	<u>\$5,246.90</u>
	Income	
	Flowers	\$9,048.00
	Weddings	\$1,515.25
	Memorials	\$340.39
	<hr/> Total Income	<hr/> <u>\$10,903.64</u>
	Expenses	
	Flowers	\$9,086.91
	Candles	\$1,411.10
	Bread, Wine	\$614.70
	Linens, Vestments	\$353.29
	Supplies, Misc.	\$865.75
	<hr/> Total Expenses	<hr/> <u>\$12,331.75</u>
Checking Balance	Prosperity Bank	<u>\$3,818.79</u>
Savings	Prosperity Bank	\$12,095.95
Total		<u>\$15,914.74</u>

Submitted by Kelly Jezek  
*Altar Guild Treasurer*

## THE OUTREACH BUDGET

Accounts	YTD Actual	2017 Budget
<b>Income</b>		
Endowment Outreach Budget	\$ 20,950.32	\$ 20,950.32
St. John's Fund Budget	\$ 7,208.50	\$ 7,208.50
St John's Bookstore	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00
Donations	\$ 210.83	\$ 2,000.00
Carry Forward	\$ 7,285.18	\$ 7,285.18
*** Misc. Designated Gift (McClure School Uniforms)	\$ 4,409.18	\$ 4,409.18
2017 Misc. Designated Gift McClure School	\$ 1,800.00	
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$ 43,864.01</b>	<b>\$ 43,853.18</b>
<b>Expenses</b>		
Clarehouse	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00
St John's Youth Day Center/ Food Supplies	\$ 4,200.00	\$ 4,200.00
Emergence Infants Service (EIS)	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00
New Hope	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,500.00
BARHD/ Orphan Sponsorships	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00
St John's Youth Group Mission Trip	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00
South Tulsa Community House	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00
IMPACT Grant - New Hope	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,500.00
IMPACT Grant – STCH (South Tulsa Community)	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,500.00
McClure School	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,000.00
Youth For Christ	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,500.00
New Projects: (McClure - Gift Card )	\$ 204.95	
New Projects ( McClure School Uniforms)	\$ 4,229.40	
Bank fees		
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 36,634.35</b>	<b>\$ 32,200.00</b>
<b>NET TO DATE</b>	<b>\$ 7,229.66</b>	<b>\$ 11,653.18</b>

Noted Income:		Current Balance	\$ 7,229.66
*** Misc. Designated Gift to date \$1595.05( McClure)			
*** Misc. Designated Gift remaining carried over \$179.78 (McClure Uniforms) ***		<b>MUST BE USED</b>	<b>\$ (1,774.83)</b>
		Unrestricted can be used	<b>\$ (5,454.83)</b>
		Carried over	\$ 1,000.00
		<b>Balance</b>	<b>\$ 1,000.00</b>

### 2017 Outreach Committee Members

Stephanie Byrd  
Dorian Kurin  
Susan Lyons

Alec Moss  
Don Niemeyer  
Imona Omole

Mickey Wilson

The Rev. Andrew Scott,  
*staff liaison*

## Statistical Information

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
<b>Communicants</b>									
1 January	1130	1137	1158	1149	1153	1146	1129	1118	1118
Added by Confirmation	7	24	12	18	10	3	8	12	19
Received		2	1	2	4			1	
Added by Transfer	9	11	4	12	11	5	4	6	5
Restored from Inactive	15	2	7	4	4	3	3		
Total Added	31	39	24	36	29	11	15	19	24
Lost by Death	15	6	16	15	20	17	17	16	22
Transferred out or inactive	9	12	17	17	16	11	9	3	5
Total Removed	24	18	33	32	36	24	26	19	27
31 December	1137	1158	1149	1153	1146	1129	1118	1118	1115

### Official Acts

#### Baptisms

Children	6	5	11	10	12	7	10	10	12
Adult	0	1	1	6	0	0	5	3	1
Total	6	6	12	16	12	7	15	13	13
Confirmations	7	26	15	18	16	3	20	12	20
Marriages	4	5	1	5	8	9	5	2	7
Burials	18	11	21	29	28	19	22	18	31

Statistical information compiled by Barbara Putnam, *Registrar*, with assistance from Diana Carter.

## Necrology

*We remember those parishioners who departed this life in 2017.*

Nila June Zirkle	John Garner	Jo Waller
The Rev. John Norris	Jill Ann Norris	Renee Reed
Franklin Miller	Richard Wilcox	Evie Gassaway
Bonnie Ballard	Laura Wilson	The Rev. Mauldin Ray
George Van Allen	Gene Elsberry	Mike Wise
Susan Niemeyer	Thomas Archibald	Raymond Hall, III
Phoebe Hocker	Dorothy Fitch	Jerry Nichols
Donald Wyrick, Sr.	Beverly Mathis	Robert Dodson

*"Father of all, we pray to you for those we love, but see no longer: Grant them your peace and let light perpetual shine upon them; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen."*

# THE WARDENS OF SAINT JOHN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

## Senior Wardens

Jacob F. Collar 1954	Robert B. Lyon 1969-1970	Jim Harvey 1987-1988
Robert J. Woods, Jr. 1955-1956	Lauren L. York 1971-1972	Bill Bowen 1989-1992
Parke Davis 1957-1958	Kenneth N. Campbell 1973-1974	Margaret Beesley 1993-1994
Don R. Feagin 1959-1960	Milton A. Phillips 1975-1976	Jim Gassaway 1995-1998
C. W. Flint, Jr. 1961-1962	William Waller 1977-1978	Cla Messick 1999-2002
John B. Harlow 1963-1964	John L. Arrington, Jr. 1979-1980	Donna Farrior 2003-2006
Joseph L. Parker 1965-1966	Robert Millspaugh, Jr. 1981-1982 1985-1986	Tony Jezek 2007-2010
Harold L. Born 1967-1968	Peter King 1983-1984	Deborah Swan Hensley 2011-2012 Jim Hicks 2013-

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## Junior Wardens

Keith J. Frazier 1954-1955	William C. Cavert 1968-1969	John Dunkin 1990-1993
Parke Davis 1956	Burton D. Salmon 1970-1971	Glenn West 1994-1995
John B. Harlow 1957-1959	Jack C. Chaney 1972-1973	Bob Soper 1996-1997
Malcolm Deisenroth, Jr. 1960-1961 1976-1977	William L. Hack 1974-1975	Gordon Fallis 1998-2003
James M. Hewgley, Jr. 1962-1963	Peter King 1978-1979	Peggy Woods 2004-2007
John M. Rollins 1964-1965	Robert Woods, III 1980-1981	Bud Maguire 2008-2011
Robert B. Reed 1966-1967	Knoland Plucknett 1982-1985	Tom Owens 2012-2015
	John McClung 1986-1989	Doug Crews 2016-



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