

### Grounds Liaison's Report from November 1<sup>st</sup> to November 30th 2019

The month of November is here and gone. The rains have started and will bring a respite to our irrigation system and dry landscape. The irrigation on outer perimeter has been disabled and will stay that to save water.

The last two layweeding session were poorly attended. Our volunteer sexton, Matt has been working with his wife and Mother Tracy to keep things together on the grounds.

The Vestry retreat is coming in late December. Extra expenses are continuing to be accrued my spending has outstripped the allotted "fixed cost" budget. I will run in the red for the rest of the year as applies to the grounds budget. I will overdrawn about \$4,000.00 by years end

I inherited an unrealistic budget. Hopefully, something will change next year. Realistically, I would need an additional \$4,000 next fiscal year to set aside money for mulching and pay for ordinary expense. This would not address spending needs for major projects like fencing. I expect the more sections of fence will be cover by a 50% cost share if promoted by specific neighbors anytime. Ideally, I would have another \$10,000 donated by a "grounds angel" specific to our parish grounds' needs.

I am struggling to attend bimonthly architecture meetings as they are early in the morning. I will try to improve my attendance records.

As Vestry Grounds liaison I will continue to identify myself with a name badge indicating that I am the Vestry Grounds liaison at services. I typically attend the 9:15 adult formation and the 10:30 service. I will answer any parishioner's questions at any time. My contact information is in the Church's photo directory. Please feel free to approach me with any concerns.

Extra eyes are always useful. If any parishioner sees some amiss please let me know about it.

An additional 70 hours have been donated to grounds as a whole in November.

Respectfully Submitted,

Benjamin Davis