

## VESTRY NOTES

At our recent vestry retreat, we decided to adopt a ministry infrastructure that's called **SWEEPS**, which is an acronym for **Stewardship, Worship, Education, Evangelism, Pastoral Care, and Service**. Everything we are called to do as the Church can be covered by one of these categories.

**Stewardship:** Fuels our ministry and mission

**Worship:** Lifts up our praises to the Glory of God

**Education:** Inspires us to know the meaning and content of our Christian faith

**Evangelism:** Enables us to share our faith with kindness and conviction

**Pastoral Care:** Builds up the Body of Christ by caring for our members

**Service:** Helps us to reach out to those in need in the community

Each one of these categories has a point person:

**Stewardship:** Don Lewis, 989-1552, [dlnyle@outlook.com](mailto:dlnyle@outlook.com)

**Worship:** David Souweine, [sdavid@gmail.com](mailto:sdavid@gmail.com)

**Education:** Mary-Frances Beesorchard, 889-1384, [maryfrances.beesorchard@gmail.com](mailto:maryfrances.beesorchard@gmail.com)

**Evangelism:** Eric Boberg, [ericboberg@stjohnsbangor.org](mailto:ericboberg@stjohnsbangor.org)

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**Pastoral Care:** Susan Johnson, 631-8218, [sujoroadrunner@gmail.com](mailto:sujoroadrunner@gmail.com)

**Service:** Phil Ulrich, [philh\\_04401@yahoo.com](mailto:philh_04401@yahoo.com)

Just to round out the vestry members who also have their own ministries and responsibilities:

**Senior Warden:** Jeff Perry, 944-6413, [srwarden@stjohnsbangor.org](mailto:srwarden@stjohnsbangor.org)

**Junior Warden:** Jim Blanchette, 356-7212, [jrwarden@stjohnsbangor.org](mailto:jrwarden@stjohnsbangor.org)

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Each of the SWEEPS point persons will be making a presentation at the next vestry meeting about what we are currently doing in each area. They will also be sharing where and how we might need to start or augment certain areas. If any of you have any ideas on what we could be doing with, say, Service/Outreach, I would ask you to be in touch with Phil. Same with the other categories. In the near future we will host a Sunday morning forum on what we are currently doing, and some ideas about where we need to grow. We will also be asking for your thoughts on both current and potential ministries.

This is a very exciting time. Please keep the vestry in your prayers, and please be in discernment on how the Lord Jesus is calling you to serve His Church and Kingdom.

In Christ's love and peace,



The Rev. James W. Nutter