

Dear Friends,

By now everyone has learned of John's impending retirement and hopefully, have had a chance to digest his news. Ann & I are celebrating John's ministry at St. John's and giving thanks for all the wonderful memories we have shared with Lois and John. While there is so much to be thankful for, there is still the reality of the news. We are going to be searching for a new Dean!

Let me bring you up to date. The Chapter has met with Bishop Brian and he has begun to explain the process we will be going through as a Chapter and as a church. Our next step was a gathering of all the Senior Wardens and the Bishop. Once again, Brian took the group through the importance of the process and open communication.

We will have a Search Committee and host Focus Groups. From the info gleaned in the focus groups, a parish profile will be created. This will involve all of us. As more information comes to us, more will come to you.

St. John's has a rich tradition, culture and history. Please let us pray for each other and St. John's as we begin this journey into the next chapter.

My best to all and May The Good Lord Bless us, Keep us and Lead us!

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