

Rector Search Update

From Barbara Thomson, Rector's Warden

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Happy New Year!

The Parish Profile Committee is working hard synthesizing all the information they've received from you and they're nearing the completion of the Parish Profile. They will be delivering it to the vestry for review at the end of the month. Once approved by the vestry, the vestry will send it to the Diocese for review and approval.

Anticipating great work from the Parish Profile Committee, the vestry has asked Nikki Wood to lead the Discernment/Search Committee that will take on the role of publicizing, receiving applications, and interviewing candidates. Their final step is to submit a name to the vestry. Upon vestry approval, the vestry sends our recommendation to the Bishop for final approval.

The vestry asked Nikki to lead this committee because of her understanding of the process; prayerful and motivational approach; institutional understanding of St. Martin's; work on the Parish Profile Committee; as well as her loving heart and spirit. As recommended by our consultant Bud Holland and the Diocese, the Discernment/Search Committee will act independently of the vestry with the exception of reporting on progress and seeking support when needed. There will be one vestry member on the committee. The remainder represent the ministries of St. Martin's.

If you see Nikki, please take a moment to recognize her devotion and commitment to St. Martin's as she leads our process to calling our new Rector. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact her via email. Nikki's email is: nolazimple@gmail.com.

I am so grateful for the work from the Parish Profile Committee and the upcoming Discernment Committee.