

Where We Are – December 6, 2009

1. Originally, the Executive Team was planning a Parish Meeting on January 10, 2010. We were thinking about everyone's frenetic schedules and Christmas preparations. However, when a family faces a crisis, it is rarely defined by our schedules or convenience. Our church family is facing some urgent issues concerning our building. The Executive Team has rescheduled that meeting for next Sunday, December 13<sup>th</sup> following the worship. We will have the usual Coffee Hour and return to the Worship Area. We do not expect the meeting to go beyond 1:30 PM.

The Vestry members will each call the people on their Prayer List beginning on Wednesday. The call will notify those who are not present today of the meeting and remind others. We ask for your prayers as we prepare for this meeting.
2. Friday evening and all day Saturday, many of us attended the Partnership for Missional Church Cluster Event #3. The PMC Steering Team, the Vestry and the proposed Vestry members for 2010 were all in attendance. The content was about planning the content of the Vestry 2010 Retreat. We also had to share the results of our Parish Discernment Meeting, which was held in November. At the end of the day, the Bishop gathered the St. James Group together and prayed for us.
3. This afternoon, all the Altar Guilds and Children's Christian Education from the four churches will gather here to plan for our time together, which begins in February and will encompass six Sundays.
4. I would like to remind you to return your Ministry Reviews. We have some blank forms at our Welcome Table. I have about 17 that have been completed and returned, which is close to 20% return. We would appreciate your feedback. The surveys that have been returned contain many comments and we appreciate hearing your perspective.