

Special Vestry Meeting
October 26, 2021

Members present: John Crowley, Mark Dvarishkis, Kent Watson, Clem Work, Terri Grotzinger, Warren Gartner, Kevin Borg, Holly Swartz, Nancy Errebo, Caitlin Sherman

Guests: Jake Riggs, James Gartner

Presentation to show how the proposed audio and visual technology would look inside the church.

- 1) The current proposal includes 4 television screens and 2 cameras. The price different between the 65" and 75" screens is probably just a couple hundred dollars each.
- 2) Bagels on Broadway has screens installed to the same kind of brackets if we want to see an example.
- 3) Ideally the screens will be hung around 7 feet off the ground and at the gentlest angle to the wall as is possible. The mount would be fixed. This will hopefully limit the wear on the brackets by keeping them out of reach and not at head knocker height.
- 4) The choir would not be able to see the screens but perhaps something could be added for them later?
- 5) Could the screens alternate on the walls? Have two on the organ side and one on the pulpit side? This idea had the most support of the members present.
 - a. If only put 3 screens in the church could we put the fourth in the Parish Hall?
- 6) The wiring will run down the wall to the floor and be covered. The venting may dictate where things can go.
- 7) Options for camera placement
 - a. One on the ledge at the base of the large window at the back
 - b. One up towards the front – could hide behind a screen or go above where the camera that streams into the Parish Hall is
- 8) Electrician costs are not included in the proposal
 - a. Jake has not gotten a bid yet, but the costs should be around \$4,000 minimum.
 - b. He will make sure that they leave room in the system for expansion.
- 9) Terri is working on getting Spectrum in to get the internet hardwired into the church.
- 10) The command post
 - a. The equipment is around 30" wide and 24" deep
 - b. The booth could be raised so whomever is running the system could see over the congregation
 - c. Probably located in the back corner on the organ side.
- 11) The system is designed to be as simple as possible both to make it as easy as possible to operate and to not have a bunch of knobs to tamper with.
 - a. The mounting system is commercial grade, but the screens are residential televisions

12) Do we ask for another Favor Grant?

- a. Nothing says we can't, but they do ask for at least 2 bids
- b. Maybe just for the electrician costs because we can get multiple bids for that
- c. Mark will start working on

Other news

- 1) Bill and Judith Derrick's Trust sent a check for \$51,669 with \$2,500 to go to Terri's discretionary fund and \$2,500 to go to Gretchen's discretionary fund. The remaining amount is unrestricted.
- 2) The solar panel installation is set to begin Monday November 1 and plans to be completed by Friday.
 - a. The Creation Care Ministry is going to have a watch party with snacks one day. Perhaps also some kind of celebration on Sunday after it's completed.

Respectfully submitted

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Clerk of the Vestry