

Revised 7/29/09 Round Table Discussions

Opportunities for Growth	Comments
Plan for decreased financial support from diocese for full-time priest	Acutely aware of the situation. Will stress in stewardship campaign, and be conscious of it during budget planning.
Focus on the youth—contemporary service with guitars, variety of times and events, provide more programs for age groups 15-30	This is just not our rector's style, and the target audience is very small.
Utilize the survey gathered during priest search to re-examine who we are, what we like, etc.	Good idea. Also need to look at updating info. We do change over time.
To find our church—voice mail, Nugget, website (if not already there), continue to keep brochures in visitors' center	We have great coverage in Nugget; Map quest sitting has been corrected; we have a great website; brochures are maintained at visitors' center.
Adjust Map quest	Alex has already accomplished
Be aware of members who cannot drive to services and gatherings—offer to drive them	A few individuals are doing this. Institutionalizing the service is proving difficult. Will continue to look at this.
Examine demographics of people settling in Lumpkin County	We have an enormous amount of data that has been garnered. It is, and will continue to be, evaluated for implications for our church.
Hold meetings at more varied times—i.e., evenings and weekends to include people still working outside the home	Good idea. Many standing and service committees are now meeting at the church following HE.
Kudos to Albert's visibility in the community	He has reportedly been seen far and wide.
More opportunities to showcase St. Elizabeth on the square. Gold Rush; bear on the Square; etc.	Very mixed support for this idea. Our founding/building members did this sort of thing for many years. It helped get us where we are; but some do not relish pursuing more of those activities.
Establish a Shepherding program for newcomers—examples. . . . <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Albert's move • Newcomer packets • Participating in the work 	Good idea. Asking congregational Care to evaluate how we can improve in this area.
Greeters on Sunday for newcomers—give	Done

bread and lead newcomers to fellowship hall after service (if appropriate)	
Form a youth education committee to target growth of youth	Absence of target population argues against this. Will gladly discuss with proponent of idea.
Smaller Vestry—more focused committees	The vestry is not too large. The committees are focused. The rector is happy with the current setup.