

***St. Sophia Russian Orthodox Church
Bethel, AK
Parish Council Meeting
Friday, September 15, 2006***

Talking Points

- *Financial Accounting Policies*
- *Current budget for St. Sophia Revenues and Expenses*
- *Establishing a budget for the new church building project*
- *Tithing and new fundraising ideas (Memorial Funds and Annual Food Events, Soup and Salad Lenten Meals)*
- *Fundraising procedures – thank the donor*
- *Parish participation in projects – Building the St. Sophia Family*
 - *Time and Talents*
 - *Church School*
 - *Sunday Coffee Hour*
 - *Maintenance and cleaning of the church building*
 - *Bible Study*
 - *Parish Membership Directory*
- *As a Leader of this church community, what is my vision for the future of St. Sophia and what will I give?*
- *Marketing the plan to other Orthodox communities – “Why should I give to build a church in Bethel, AK?”*
- *Phases of the new project and goals to accomplish the project:*
 - *Architect for project*
 - *Design of project*
 - *Possible Mission Teams to assist with building of the different phases*
 - *Annual fundraising goals for the project – How much will it cost and how will those costs be maintained?*
 - *Who will take on the various needs – committees headed by a Parish Council member?*

This is a casual format with honest and open discussion. Please interact and ask any questions as we review needs for the future of St. Sophia Russian Orthodox Church. This time together will build the future on a firm, sure foundation.