

VESTRY MEETING MINUTES

July 13, 2021

Final

The meeting was called to order by Sr. Warden Abbot at 6:32 p.m. Members present were: Rev. Lisa, Sr. Warden Stewart Abbot, Jr. Warden Patricia Streeter, Jan Branham, Judy Gregory, Andy Kitchell, Sandy Torres, Dorothy Sullivan, Paul Scholar, Jesus Pureco, and Linda Springer. Bob Brunswig and Katie Kinney were excused.

Guests in attendance were Julie Matt, Herrick Garnsey, and Steve and Nancy Teksten.

The Meditation, “A Confession and Forgiveness” was read by all. The Lord’s Prayer and Vestry Covenant were read by all.

Ministry Report

There was no Ministry Report scheduled.

Business

The Minutes from the June 22, 2021, were reviewed and corrections made. It was moved by Judy and seconded by Jan to accept the Minutes as corrected. Motion carried after vote with one abstention.

There was no financial report presented.

Rev. Lisa explained the parish positions have not yet been posted; a decision regarding those postings will be made after the Finance meeting on Friday.

Discussion

Small group re-entry – Rev. Lisa and Karoline are working on a document for the small group leaders with instructions for closing the building after the meeting. They are also working on getting a calendar system designed so we all know who is in the building when.

Vestry Clerk – Julie Matt is our guest tonight observing to see if this is a call for her. Andy nominated his wife, Holly, as a possibility for Vestry Clerk.

Property Boundary issues – Sr. Warden Abbot discussed the letters that were prepared by our attorney and, although concerns were expressed at the last meeting, much of the language needs to stay. We received a bill from the attorney for \$800 for his work so far. Attorney will re-work the letters and allow us to send them and pay the postage. Stewart will prepare a cover letter to include with the attorney’s letter. It is his intention to hand deliver the letters to our property neighbors. One of our neighbors requested permission to park a camper on our property for a few days; Stewart explained we were in the process of reviewing this issue and politely declined

permission. Rev. Lisa, Sr. Warden Stewart, and Jr. Warden Patricia will meet in person with the administration of Dayspring to discuss our property issues.

Vestry Phone Calls – new lists have been distributed. Judy asked with the new lists should we be asking parishioners if they would be willing to help with our ministry positions. Stewart reminded her of his cover letter that was emailed to each of us with suggestions on questions we might ask during our calls:

1. What do you see as Trinity's challenges for the fall?
2. In what way would you like to be a part of our moving to two services each Sunday?

Stewart requested that we make as many calls as possible before our next meeting so we can provide feedback at that time.

Decisions:

Judy was doing Sunday school and she asked if we can eliminate the confirmation piece of those who would be attending Church/Sunday School. One of our families RSVPd but never received a confirmation so didn't come. There was further discussion surrounding limiting the number of attendees in church, the need to submit reservations, etc. and Rev. Lisa advised this should only last a couple more weeks.

Rev. Lisa said only two households who have called indicating a willingness to serve at 8:00; two households (other than Vestry members) are willing to serve at 10:30. Jan asked a qualifying question regarding the numbers of servers being requested. Linda suggested we consider having Karoline send a schedule to all who previously served and see what would happen. Rev. Lisa said that wouldn't be fair to Karoline as she spends a great deal of time preparing those schedules and if someone on the list doesn't want to serve, it puts Karoline in a position of having to find a substitute. Julie Matt said she used to serve as a Lector and didn't want to continue it on ZOOM, but if she was personally contacted to see if she would continue with this ministry, she would say yes! Dorothy asked if we could get a list of prior volunteers and ask them in our Vestry calls if they are still willing to serve. Once we have our ministry positions filled, we will need to do training; this training needs to be in person and in the church.

Reports

Rector

Rev. Lisa's reported that her family attended the July 4th weekend at Cathedral Ridge along with Jesus and his family. It was a wonderful weekend. The air scrubbers for HVAC were installed and they are working well. Some changes to the services will follow and will be printed in the next e Pistle. The Lector(s) and Rev. Lisa can now be unmasked during the readings and the sermon. We are looking at August 1st as the date when we will fully increase church attendance with no reservations required. Attendees will be asked to sign in for the purpose of contact tracing. Socially distance to the extent reasonable. We'll still wear masks but can begin some singing, such as the Doxology.

Jr. Warden

Patricia wanted to remind everyone that just because we have the scrubbers in the building doesn't mean the air is perfectly clear of any viruses. Last year one of the air conditioning units in the patio area malfunctioned. It's doing the same thing so will need to be addressed. Wee Love has done a beautiful job installing their new storage shed. There is a trash pile that belongs to us, and she is working on a plan to get rid of that trash. Some of the pavers on the front entryway need replacement. Some of our neighbors continue to use our dumpster; Paul said the trash company can put a lock on the dumpster and they have the master key they use on pick-up days; we would also be provided key. Patricia will research this with the trash company. She has a bid from Home Depot for our new blinds and is getting another bid from Lowe's. She will present this bid at the Finance meeting on Friday.

Sr. Warden

Stewart would like the Vestry to email him three to five items that we would wish for Trinity. He will compile the list for our next meeting.

Finance committee meeting will be at noon on Friday on ZOOM.

Jan presented a closing prayer at 7:51 p.m. and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted:

Linda Springer
Interim Clerk