

Vestry Agenda August 23, 2022 6:00 PM Prayers and Holy Communion at the altar 6:30 PM Church Library & Zoom

Called to order at 6:31

Prayer

Meditation prayer by Stewart Abbot Lord's Prayer led by Dorothy Sullivan

Visitor Recognition

Linda Haley, Lynette Humphrey, Herrick Garnsey, Sharon McComb, Barb Maxfield, Clifford and Sally Clift

Correspondence

None

Additions to the Agenda

Newcomers' reception

Approve consent agenda

Affirm minutes of July 26, 2022 Approve July financial report Motion passed

Business

Clerk of the Vestry opening – still exists.

Judy Gregory's name was pulled from the Vestry hat to take minutes of tonight's meeting.

Discussion

Youth Ministry Update/Trinity Youth Group/TYG – Lynette Humphrey asked Vestry members and visitors to write personal thoughts about Highlights, Disappointments, and Imaginings of our Youth Ministries since January of 2022. Lynette then shared her own thoughts about these areas of TYG. Highlights: TYGs involvement to serve in our community: wrapping gifts for Santa Cops, making, and distributing hygiene bags, Shrove Tuesday, Mission trip. TYG meets together to study, share, and pray regarding situations in life, family, and the world. The students participated in the Diocese youth retreat. Trinity celebrated and blessed our graduating seniors and their families. The students enjoyed an all-night lock-in. Lynette and Maddie communicated to members of our church community, sharing the experiences of the mission trip. The family ministry and TYG swim party was a success. Disappointments: The lack of commitment of the youth for the Mission trip, low attendance at various TYG opportunities, little parent engagement, and minimal connection and concern from the Vestry. Imaginings: TYG is at a starting over point. There are more high schoolers than middle schoolers. There is a need to find a time to meet that is more convenient for families. There is a need to provide opportunities for students to serve in the Greeley community. The need for ministry leads and parish members to encourage and educate students regarding the opportunities to serve at Trinity. Students will participate in Quest in the fall. There is a need for a broader group of

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chaperones for TYG activities. TYG will be planning a mission trip for next summer. Encourage TYG to attend plays, sporting events of other members. Build family connections by hosting family dinners for individual families. Lynette wants to share opportunities that reflect God's love, communicate that teenagers belong, that they are beloved children of God, and that God has a special purpose for each of them.

Lynette is interested in organizing a collection for the people of Ukraine.

Water share update – Stewart Abbot reported that the standing committee for the Diocese met and gave us permission to sell our water share. We are strongly encouraged to seek the advice of someone versed in water law. We have asked Tom Grant to support our needs. The contract then goes to the Chancellor and then it will be complete. Our buyer is still interested in the purchase.

Building Use policy – Rev. Lisa shared that we continue to receive requests from outside non-profit groups and parishioners to use our building. We have told them no at this point since we don't have a plan for set up and cleaning needs. We need to have a policy in place. Establish a committee with Bob Brunswig as lead. Jim DeMersseman has volunteered, and Mark Johnson will join. It was suggested that Bernie Haley be asked to join the committee as well. The committee will begin their work in the next month.

Gift and acquisition acceptance policy – Rev. Lisa informed us that there are times when people want to gift something to the church. Sometimes it is a physical item and other times it is money. We do not have a gift acceptance policy. We need to be able to choose what happens to the gift. We need to establish a policy that explains that once the gift is given freely the giver releases control of that gift at some point. Judy Gregory volunteered to begin a committee to investigate establishing a Gift and Acquisition Acceptance Policy and committee. This is different from legacy planning and endowment situations.

Newcomers social - 49 invitees, 30 RSVP'd yes, 1 not able to attend, 10 more may show or late RSVP. Vestry and newcomers only. This is an opportunity to provide meet vestry members, hear from Rev Lisa about activities this fall and the holidays, time to ask questions, and time for vestry members to share their leadership areas. Vestry members are to provide nibbles. Margaret will coordinate us and provide some decorations.

Decision

Trinity Housing Board nominee affirmation – George Stockum resigned, and Andrew Romero has agreed to serve on this board. The affirmation was approved.

Placement of funds from water share – Margaret Grant moved that the Water Share sale funds be placed in the deferred revenue account. Joe Butler seconded. The motion was passed.

Visitors Comments

Barb Maxfield – Lynette needs encouragement. What response or reply will Vestry offer for encouragement and support for TYG? Continued discussion as to how to support Lynette.

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Sally Clift – encouraged support for Lynette.

Sharon McComb – will send Lynette a note. We must encourage those who support our youth.

Reports

Treasurer – We improved on revenue this month. \$33,878 from pledges and \$4,775 in plate. This improvement is not necessarily expected to continue. This was a catch-up month. We have not spent as much as was budgeted. We are only down \$71,845 instead of what was budgeted, -\$137,581.

Junior Warden – Flat roof leaks were fixed. West side roof will be redone on Thursday. The clock will be moved back to the library.

Senior Warden - Nothing more to add

Rector - Chris Grissom from Grissom Audio worked on our audio system. He will provide ideas to upgrade our remote systems to minimize feedback. Our wireless packs need to be replaced. Overall, we have a great system. The Zoom operation was simplified. We will be reaching out for volunteers to operate that system in the future.

Lease with Dayspring for parking lot use was implemented and a check for use was received. The dates of use are noted on our calendar.

Regional confirmation service will be held at Trinity on Saturday, September 17 at 10:00 AM. We will host a small reception for confirmands and their families.

Wonderful Blessing of the Backpacks service. New UNC students attended as well. The shave ice truck was a hit.

Motion to move into executive session to discuss TYG – moved by Dorothy Sullivan, seconded by Margaret Grant. Motion passed.

Closing - 8:59 returned from executive session

Stewart Abbot shared Tableau at Twilight by Ogden Nash and a prayer for dismissal.

Dates

Finance Committee 9/21/22 Organ dedication 9/25/22 Vestry 9/27/22

Minutes respectfully submitted by Judy Gregory