

Vestry Minutes
November 9, 2021
Via Zoom and In-Person

Vestry Members Present: Rev. Lisa Musser, Stewart Abbot, Patricia Streeter, Katie Kinney, Julie Matt, Paul Scholar, Sandy Torres, Andy Kitchell, Joe Butler, Dorothy Sullivan, Bob Brunswig, Judy Gregory, Linda Springer

Absent Excused: Jan Branham

Also Present: Barb Maxfield

Meeting called to order at 6:32 by Stewart

Meditation was read by Stewart

Intersessions and Thanksgivings under separate cover

Lord's prayer led by Judy.

Vestry covenant recited.

Visitor acknowledgement – Barb Maxfield

Correspondence – thank you note from Rev. Lisa for pastor appreciation month

A letter was received from a parishioner which was discussed in executive session.

Business

No additions to the agenda

October 26 minutes approved with the following corrections:

Page 1, correct spelling of Joe Bulter to Joe Butler and Jan Burnham to Jan Branham.

Motion to approve minutes as corrected by Linda. Second by Joe.

Motion carries

Discussion

VPOD – thanks to Sandy for Sunday's presentation

Parish ministries list – volunteers are needed for November 14 and 21. Paul volunteers to give his explanation on November 14 for buildings and grounds and Andy volunteers to do his explanation on November 21 for worship.

Organ fundraising update – Katie reports the current total is almost 25,000.

Southern lot update – Patricia spoke with the Executive Director of Dayspring and reports they have engaged an architect and are looking at their campus as it is and what might happen with additional land. Everything for them hinges on the size, access and price of the property. They have an agreement with Generations Church south of their land for use of buildings and the possibility of an easement through their property. They would most likely create an athletic field in the area. They may work a quiet area or community garden in. Patricia is talking to a realtor about creating talking points for upcoming parish meetings.

Rev. Lisa reports that a letter has been sent to the Ankroms stating Trinity will not going to give them additional time until spring to move their RV through Trinity's property. Rev. Lisa received an angry phone call. Mr. Ankrom stated he will not move his RV through our property but will have to move a tree in his yard to access the street in front of his house. Andy has concern about a message received from the Bishop regarding communicating with our neighbors and reminding us to be respectful and talk to our neighbors. He feels that the vestry is not acting in accord with the Bishop's message. Andy asks for and urges calm reflective responses. Dorothy echoes Andy's sentiments. Joe feels the vestry has done due diligence. Linda clarifies Mr. Ankrom has not parked the RV on our property, he's on his own property but the issue is rather that as things are configured right now, he must access Trinity property to move his vehicle.

Reports

Treasurer – \$140,000 has been pledged thus far

Junior Warden – Fly remediation is in effect. Patricia will investigate commercial exterminators; flies are coming in on the south side of the building by choir loft.

Facia on the circle drive has not been painted. It has not been forgotten.

GCO concert will be a week from Friday. On-line reservations for tickets must be made. Attendance is limited to 150 people. Face masks are required. They will have a shortened intermission.

Senior Warden – The after-church discussion group had a good discussion, which was positive and friendly. There were lots of thoughts and attitudes. Another discussion is scheduled for the library for November 10 in-person and via Zoom, and again on Sunday. The biggest concerns are access and water questions.

Rector – The new parish administrator started.

We had a funeral on Saturday, and all went well.

Since our last meeting we had an additional COVID notification, received updated guidelines about COVID protocol. If we did everything suggested it would be a step backward so Rev. Lisa is not going to do that. Christmas Eve and Advent planning are currently happening. There will be two services on Christmas Eve at 4:30 and 9:00 and then at 10:00 a.m. on Christmas Day. Rev. Lisa is working on floral design for Advent and Christmas.

Rev. Lisa has received an invitation for screening a movie about the relationship between the Dalai Lama and Bishop Tutu and she is hoping to offer that to the church.

Rev. Lisa will be on vacation November 22 through November 29.

The office is closed for Thanksgiving November 25 and 26.

Father Scott Turner will be the supply clergy on November 28.

Rev. Lisa is waiting to have a conversation with Karoline about the date for her retirement party.

Executive session – no minutes

Dates to remember:

Vestry – November 30, 2021

December 21, 2021

January 25, 2022

Annual meeting February 6, 2022

Steward closed the meeting by reading the collect of the day

Meeting adjourned at 7:41 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Julie Matt, Vestry Clerk