

Minutes from the Vestry Meeting of All Saints' Episcopal Church

11/21/17

St. Anne's Room



In Attendance: Rich Baldwin, Harvey Blake, Stephen Chan, Father Mark Collins, Sara Combs, Elaine Cunningham, Laurie Geiger, Paulette Gilchrist, Donna Laporta, Paul Louis, Sue Morgan, Susan Moscatello, Eileen Murphy, Sonja Rynander, Nancy Treacy

7:00pm Dwelling in the Word & Dinner

Blessing – Father Mark

Minutes for October 2017 meeting were unanimously accepted.

Treasurer's Report

- Mike sent financial reports ahead of meeting. We are in a good position to finish the year in the black.
- Finance committee will be meeting soon for 2018 budget. Vestry will approve at the December meeting.
- Early stewardship numbers are in. 42 pledges in, 8 of which are from new people/families.
- Email any 2018 budget ideas to Mike Geiger.
- Finance committee is looking at other Banking options and plan to make a decision this quarter on a change.

Preschool Report

- Preschool update was distributed ahead of time.
- Holiday Songfest is December 15th @ 11:15am.

Concert Committee Report

- First concert was hugely successful.
- Collected \$790 in money at the door, 79 people in attendance.
- Looking into childcare during the service as an option for upcoming concerts.
- Elaine gave report on concert series to come: March 4th – cello & oboe concert with piano accompaniment, contracts going tomorrow. Then contracts for the May 6th – organist & saxophone concert will go after.

Healing Ministry Report

- Presenting an In-house retreat on Fri & Sat, 12/1-2. 6-9pm on Friday, 9am-12pm on Saturday. Topic is Joy using The Book of Joy and the retreat is called *From Darkness to Light, Getting to Joy* based on the Summer 2017 Healing Ministry retreat.
- 2018 Healing Ministry Retreat: June 29th - July 1st, Topic will be Faith

Stewardship Report

- Thank you notes will be going out from committee to those that have pledged.



Nominating Committee

- Elaine & Stephen will continue on the Vestry for another term
- Rich is at the end of his second 3-year term, he will be on the nominating committee
- Looking for 2 new vestry members for 2018, meeting needs to be scheduled

Buildings & Grounds Committee

- Madonna window had some damage, Jeromey put Plexiglas around it to protect it.
- There may be some moving of the pianos around through the buildings (upright and grand piano in the Parish Hall). Conversation will continue.
- Considering we raise the Garth burial fees. Currently \$400.
- Donna brought up kitchen faucet replacement need.

Other Business

- Christmas pageant – Discussion around having live animals or not.
- Next Vestry meeting – December 19th, Holiday party at Geiger house
- Outreach Committee has purchased artificial tree for Angel tree and will stay up for Advent season.

Vestry member at both services to report information from this month's meeting

- 8am – Sue Morgan
- 10am – Laurie Geiger

Upcoming Events

- November 22 – Religious Communities Thanksgiving Service, 7:30pm
- November 23 – Thanksgiving Day, Holy Eucharist in the Chapel, 10am
- December 1-2 – Healing Ministry
- December 16 – Cleaning & Polishing, Grounds cleaning, Pageant Rehearsal, then Greening of the Church & Advent Cheer, 10am-4pm
- December 17 – Christmas Pageant, 10am

8:45pm Glimpses of God's Grace & Closing Prayer – Sue

Respectfully Submitted, Sara Combs, Clerk of the Vestry