

Minutes

Vestry Meeting –Wednesday, January 11, 2017, 7:00 PM

Present: Fr. Richard, Lynn Garland, John Grant, Tamsin Lucey, Jean Frost, Susan Howland, Nancy Waugh, Peg Nelson

Absent: with regret Mary Bridget Burns, Bill Pieczynski

Open with Prayer 7:10 pm

Book Discussion Brief comments– Slow Church Chapter 8 “Abundance”

Motion made to accept the minutes from the December Vestry meeting emailed January 7, 2017, seconded and carried.

Susan handed out a packet which contained her annual report, statement of financial position, statement of cash flow and the 4 page budget vs actual. She sent the 2017 budget via e-mail and it will be in the Annual Report. No one had any questions. **Motion made to accept the Treasurer’s report emailed on December 27, 2016, seconded and carried.**

Building Committee – Tamsin

- Building Committee – downstairs kitchen work – gas line that goes through the present stove hood the plumbing inspector said the stove is OK as long as we don’t move it or get a new one. Cat will make some rough drawings to take to the board of health. Any food prep sinks will need grease traps and vents. Grease trap would go in the boiler room if possible because it is lower than the kitchen. Location for the hand sink – in the kitchen annex in the corner to the right of the entry from the large room, will not work for the inspector. Present sink for food prep does not have vent or grease trap. Sink in annex needs to be designated a utility sink so it can’t be used for food prep and therefore will not need a grease trap or vent. Commercial dishwasher needs hot water going in... so we won’t need to get a new one. We will retire one dishwasher. Two or three issues – codes, plumbing, inspector.

Review –

- Christmas services- comment made that the poles are in need of paint, greens are worn. Suggestion made to rethink decorations for Christmas.
- Epiphany Supper Friday, January 6, 2016 the children “stole the show”. The evening was very enjoyable and meaningful.

Lenten Bible Study – Fr. Richard would like to use the book Prayer in Practice by Simon Tugwell, over 5 Tuesdays at 7 pm in Lent

Human Resources

Fr. Richard did take a few vacation days. He will start now working on his plans for summer vacation time.

Upcoming events

- Annual meeting January 29, 2017 with budget presentation beforehand.
- Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper February 28, 2017 – need volunteers to cook, Tamsin will speak with Stearns about sausage, John offered to cook
- Souper Bowl Sunday – Anita and Lana will be contacted about organizing it, Tamsin will bring bread,
- Vestry Retreat – think about dates (Saturdays are difficult for Tamsin)
- Diocesan Convention delegates needed – convention is Oct 28?
- Parish Leadership Day will be different this year – no workshops, two presenters March 18th.

Lynn asked if there was a formal procedure for checking on people who have been attending and then don't show up for a while. No there is not. With a part-time priest that may need to be done by someone other than the priest. Lynn is comfortable making outreach calls. Susan will sit down with her to go over the list. We seem to have pieces of pastoral care happening but nothing organized. Barbara Kalber sends people who sign the guest book a note. Discussion about pew cards came up again as a way to get contact information as well as a way to allow anyone in the pew to pass on their needs.

Motion made to adjourn

Closing prayer read at 9:10 pm

Next Vestry meeting February, 2017 7:00PM

Respectfully submitted by Jean Frost, clerk