

Vestry Meeting – February 13, 2019

Present: John Grant, Susan Howland, Diane Nichols, Nancy Waugh, Fr. Richard, Tamsin Lucey, Lana Pieczynski, Regrets: Peg Nelson, Lorraine Brumskine, Lynn Garland, Rose Reith

Bible Study Luke Chapter 6 vs.17-26

**A motion was made, seconded and approved to accept the minutes from the January vestry meeting with modifications.**

**A motion was made, seconded and approved to accept the financial reports.**

**A motion was made, seconded and approved to accept the Parochial Report.**

**A motion was made, seconded and approved to restructure the portfolio and restore Dirlam Fund. The Treasurer Susan Howland will implement the restoration of the Dirlam Fund with \$5,000 by taking:**

- **\$2,000 from the Legacy Fund**
- **\$1,700 from the Shepherd Fund**
- **\$500 from the Buckley Fund**
- **\$800 from the Story Fund**

There are 3 separate occupancy permits for the building and all three permits need to be renewed annually.

**A motion was made, seconded and approved to accept approve funds up to \$3,500 to hire an architect or engineer to be taken from the savings to evaluate the downstairs for the purpose of future building use.**

The building committee have had the thermostat replaced in Blakley hall.

**A motion was made, seconded and approved to replace 14 valves for \$50 each in the radiators in the sanctuary.**

Schedule the reviews for the Secretary and Organist. Susan and Fr. Richard will review the secretary. Diane and Fr. Richard will review the organist. The sexton's review was completed in December.

#### Rectors report

- Pastor Kirsten and Fr. Richard have not set a date for the clergy exchange yet.
- Leadership Day March 2, 2019 starts at 8:30 at the Log Cabin. Vestry members need to register and turn in the receipt to the treasurer for reimbursement.
- Journalist service at the Cathedral in Springfield February 20 at noon. It was suggested to invite Sarah Champagne from the Southbridge Evening News. Tamsin will send her a text.
- Long range planning committee to investigate a plan for the building for additional income and membership. Jean Frost has agreed to sit on the committee. The committee would like one more member suggestion would be welcome. The committee will be asked to articulate options to be presented to the vestry.

### Review of Last Month's Events

- Annual Meeting-
- Souper Bowl Sunday Food Share \$171

### Upcoming Events

- Committees – Accept the following committee members
  - Finance Committee o Susan Howland Chair; Peg Nelson, Josh Spooner, John Grant
  - Audit Committee o Lynn Garland chair; Josh Spooner, John Grant
  - Endowment Committee (Appointed for staggered 3 year terms) o Bill Pieczynski Appointment Expires 2020 o Jean Frost Appointment Expires 2021 o Mick Kalber Appointment Expires 2022
  - Pledge Secretary (Appointed Annually) Mick Kalber John asked Mick and he agreed.
  - Parrettie Committee (Appointed Annually) Sr, Jr Wardens, 3 additional members & Rector sits ex-officio o John Grant, Diane Nichols, Nancy Waugh, Barbara Kalber, Lana Pieczynski, & Fr Richard Signore ex-officio
  - Pastoral Care committee o Fr. Richard Chair; Lynn Garland, Susan Howland
  - UTO parish coordinator (Installed fall of 2018) o Diane Nichols • Block Vote to Confirm
- Pulpit Exchange – date to be determined
- Mardi Gras- Tuesday March 5, 2019 June Mosher volunteered to help. John will arrive at 4:00. Diane will provide a banner and Lynn will provide the lock box. John will make an announcement about donations of maple syrup and juice on Sunday. Tamsin will donate 3 dozen eggs and Susan will donate the milk.
- Diocesan Convention November 9, 2019 at the Marriott in Springfield.
- Vestry Retreat – Tentative March 30, 2019 from 9:30-3:00 at the North Brookfield Senior Center.

Family Worship - Diane updated the plan moving forward. Looking at new curriculum going back to following the lessons that follow the service. The families will rotate leading the Sundays and possibly including leaders from the parish. The families will start immediately instead of being dismissed from the service. Coming directly into family worship will allow enough time to finish the lessons and be ready to enter for communion. Family worship would like to include older children in ministry groups. This may necessitate them sitting with ministry leaders during the service when their other family members are in family worship.

Parrettie Committee –Lana has agreed to replace Peg on the committee. John will call a meeting to make some suggested procedural changes.

Vestry sees no reason the Garden project should just move forward.

Closing prayer

Meeting adjourned at 9:25 p.m.

Next Vestry Meeting March 13, 2019 @ 7:00 PM

Minutes taken by Nancy Waugh.