

**HOLY TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH**

**VESTRY MINUTES March 1, 2023**

*See, I am doing a new thing! Now it springs up; do you not perceive it?*

*I am making a way in the wilderness and streams in the wasteland. [Isaiah 43:19]*

**HOLY EUCHARIST** began at 7:10 pm

**Present:** John Grant, Lynn Garland, Eileen DeMings, Nancy Waugh, Mother Judith, Susan Howland, Lana Pieczynski, Cat Reith-Lowery

**Regrets:** Jean Frost, Lorraine Brumskine, Robin, Yates,

**OPENING BUSINESS**

**Designation of a Clerk for the meeting - Nancy Waugh**

**Acceptance of Minutes** February 1, 2023 – Jean Frost Add Cat Reith-Lowery to present and change heading from agenda to minutes. **A motion was made to accept the minutes of the February 1, 2023 Vestry Meeting with corrections, it was seconded and carried.**

**Treasurer's Report:** Nancy Waugh Financial information was sent via email. **A motion was made to accept the Treasurer's Report, it was seconded, and carried.**

**PRIEST'S REPORT**

Pastoral Care Check-in

Approval: 2022 Parochial Report **Motion to accept the Parochial Report, it was seconded, and carried.**

Planning: Canon Simpson's Visit: Saturday March 11, 9am-noon Initial report from Rich is positive. We will have coffee, tea and some eats.

Planning: Vestry Retreat: March 29 2023 5:30 – 9 pm Setting goals for 2023 and strategizing. We will start with dinner and eucharist.

Update: Preparations for Confirmation / Bishop's Visitation working on a date for the next confirmation workshop.

Update: Ministry at Overlook - Mother Judith will be taking over the Episcopal service for Pastor Aileen from Rochdale who is leaving.

Friends of St. Luke's Writing grant to fund more staff hours. **Motion for Mother Judith to write the diocesan grant for St. Luke's it was seconded, and carried.**

Update: Brian Canty resignation from the Building Committee. Mother Judith will send a formal thank you with a donation to a veteran's organization of Brian's choice for \$50.00.

Update: Lenten Program with Bethlehem Lutheran experimental, sign up is necessary to plan for supplies and food.

What have we done well? The number of Surveys returned was positive. Proud of the teens collecting cereal at Big Y. Shrove Tuesday pancake supper attendance.

What could we have done better? No comments

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

**Resolution:** Acceptance of Fr. Richard's gift will live where it is for now. Bless the statue at the bishop's visit. Suggested to invite Fr. Richard as a thank you.

**Follow-up/Debriefing:** CAT Survey Discussed in the Priest's report.

#### **Appointment of Standing Committees**

Endowment Committee – Motion to appoint Robin Yates to a three-year term

Susan will add Episcopal to our name to the Endowment committee documents.

**Update:** Hospitality Survey Cat will add names to the Hospitality Committee after she speaks to those interested.

#### **MINISTRY REPORTS**

- Communications – Susan Howland website updates, mail chimp, Susan is not able to put the Sunday service on Facebook on the website.
- Building Committee – Tamsin Lucey report emailed. Volunteers needed to paint wall.
- Cooking for Life – Tamsin Lucey no report
- Landscaping Committee – Lynn Garland no report
- Family Worship/Faith Formation – Eileen DeMings reported on the progress of confirmation preparation, Bethlehem 2 family nights planned in Lent and the Palm Sunday passion play.
- Daughters of the King- Robin Yates reported another shipment will be going out.
- Stewardship – Nancy Waugh, Lynn Garland - no report
- Praying Hands Ministry – Susan Howland basket was empty. Next Sunday will bless the shawls. The cards now have a line for the donator.

**CLOSING PRAYER:** Eileen DeMings

**ADJOURNMENT 8:30**