

St. John's Vestry Meeting

March 22, 2009

Present:

Jo Ann Ford, Sharon Davarn, Don Paulson, Pam Larson, Gary Bennett, Frank Duckett, Kathy McLallen, Doug Richards, Bob Larson, Eileen Hughes

Prayer

The meeting was opened with prayer by Pam.

Minutes of last meeting

The February minutes were accepted.

Treasurer Report

As this meeting was held before the end of the month, the March financial report will be reviewed at the next meeting. Pam reviewed the details of the annual audit report. The audit committee requested that the clerk of the Vestry maintain in the office a file of all minutes with backup documentation. Pam will request that Bill Hallmark assess the value of the buildings for insurance purposes. The audit report was approved.

Discernment Process

The Vestry voted to approve the mission statement. Jo Ann will present the statement to the congregation next Sunday. Pam reviewed the timeline of the discernment process. A poster outlining the steps was presented and will be posted in the parish hall.

Committee Reports

Building and Grounds

Don has an appointment with a contractor regarding painting the rectory. Tom Kelly and Don Paulson will repair the stone wall in front of the gas meter. An inspection of our current garbage container will be requested to see if it qualifies as "bear proof." A standard bear proof container would cost \$250.00.

Tom Kelly will ask Patrick Link if he would be interested in mowing our grass.

Jo Ann reported that an electrician has inspected the electrical issues at the rectory. The breaker box in the basement needs replacing. The wiring to the front porch needs grounding and the dining room ceiling fixture needs to be properly attached. Also, the exhaust fan in the lower bathroom needs replacing. All electrical repairs were approved. Gary and Don may re-tile the bathroom in the rectory.

Stewardship

The Vestry approved putting ads for Holy Week and Easter in the paper, also an ad in the Summer Visitor's Guide. We have an annual budget of \$700.00 for ads.

Don will devise a method for hanging the Easter banner.

Inreach

The plans are complete for a dinner after the Easter service. Sara Sharpe will be doing the meat. Pam Larson and Pam Parker are on the committee. There are possible plans for a picnic on

Pentecost Sunday. We will not have Saturday services while Jo Ann is on vacation. We still have information cards in the Chamber office.

Outreach

Bob reported no recent activity other than a very active Food Bank.

Christian Formation

Richard Foster's *Celebration of Discipline* is being studied on Wednesday night and in the adult forum on Sunday morning. Jo Ann suggested a study series on environmental issues. Also, *Jesus is an Episcopalian* could be the basis for a study series. As the summer is very busy, new study series may be postponed until the fall.

Worship

Scheduled are: Holy Week April 6 Monday - Wednesday 6:00 p.m. Evening Prayer
Maundy Thursday 7:00 p.m. Deacon's Beacon The church will
be open all night until daylight.
Good Friday 12:00 noon and 7:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross
Easter Vigil Saturday 7:00 p.m.
Easter Sunday 6:30 a.m. Sunrise Service at the Hallmarks'
10:30 a.m. Easter Service at the church

Pam will get map directions to the Hallmarks for Don to post on the website.

Music: Jo Ann is planning a meeting of all those associated with our music program in order to prepare for the future after Tammy and Tom have moved out of town.

Priest-in-Charge Report

Jo Ann will be attending CREDO, a clergy renewal meeting provided by the Episcopal pension fund. The Vestry will vote next month on a request from a group asking that St. John's be included on a list of Episcopal churches that welcome and affirm all.

Jo Ann presented and discussed her review: "The Priest-in-Charge Ministry Review of the Vestry and the Congregation."

Senior Warden

The remainder of the meeting was spent discussing the Vestry's Priest-in-Charge Ministry Review.

Next Meeting

The next Vestry meeting will be May 3.

Respectfully submitted,

Eileen Hughes
Clerk of the Vestry

