

“To love others as Christ loves us”

Christ Church Vestry Minutes

Tuesday, April 18, 2023

5:00 pm

Attending: Harrison McLeod (Rector), Bill Hardaway (Senior Warden), Bryant Nixon (Junior Warden), Nelson Arrington (Asst. Treasurer), Betsy Baumgardner, Betsy Elliott, Betty Parker Ellis, Sam Erwin, Norma Givens, Julie Haas, Dexter Hagy, Josh Hudson, (Secretary of the Vestry), Kay Jenkins, Chris Klasing (Treasurer), Paul Landis, Martha Louise Lewis, Gracen Miller (Youth Vestry Representative), Cecil Nelson (Chancellor), Phil Peterson, Cindy Poe, Elizabeth Saylor (Youth Vestry Representative), and Michelle Brown (Clerk of the Vestry).

Absent: Wade Kolb (Asst. Chancellor),

The meeting was opened with prayer from the Rev. Dr. Harrison McLeod at 5:05pm.

Rectors Report – Harrison McLeod

- Harrison shared his thoughts and observations he has had over the past few months regarding same sex marriage and asking the question, how do we live together with differences?
- Vestry members were invited to a general discussion.
- We are still waiting for the information from other parishes.
- Another letter will go out this week to clarify the anonymity from the vestry and clergy.
- A great week started with the Easter Egg hunt on Psalm Sunday through Easter Sunday.
- An offer was extended to Henry Thomas as the new grounds' person. There are still some questions to be resolved before he will be able to begin his employment
- The staff are in a great place and their morale is high.
- Discovery Weekend is next week, April 28, 29, 30.
- The bishop will be here next week, there will be 14 adults and 4 youth confirmed that day.
- Bishop will be teaching Rector's Forum.
- A meeting with the bishop will take place after service with the vestry and lunch will be served.
- Gracen Miller and Elizabeth Saylor will be the youth preaches on Senior Sunday on May 21st.

Senior Warden – Bill Hardaway

- Thanks to all for Holy Week there were 706 in attendance.
- Lunch was provided to the staff from Julie Haas on behalf of the vestry on April 5, 2023.
- Thanks to Dexter for the books.

Junior Warden – Bryant Nixon

- \$200,000 to replace the boiler system which is a necessary equipment replacement.
- The control function of HVAC needs to be improved, there have been complaints about the temperature in the chapel because we are now running on either all cold or all hot. During the changing seasons everything needs to be functioning properly.
- Improvements made to the HVAC system will not be a temporary fix.

- Looking for permission to search for an architectural firm to talk about a master plan process which would take about one year and cost about \$100,000. No money will be spent at this time.

Treasurer Report – Chris Klasing

- February Pledge Income and Total Budget revenue was off.
- March is on budget.
- The next few months going forward maybe behind budget on revenue.

Endowment Disbursement Request 2nd Quarter

Motion: Sam Erwin made a motion to accept Endowment Disbursement draw as presented. Paul Landis seconded the motion. No discussion. All were in favor. Motion approved.

Parochial Report (The 2022 Report of Episcopal Congregations and Missions According to Canons I.6, I.7 and I.17)

Motion: Sam Erwin made a motion to accept the Parochial Report as presented. Paul Landis seconded the motion. No discussion. All were in favor. Motion approved.

Approval of Minutes

February 21 and March 21 minutes will be deferred at this time so that they may be re-drafted.

New business

- Haiti Symposium will be Saturday, April 22nd in the All-Saints Center. All are welcome.
- Phil Peterson elaborated on Safety/Security.
- Reminder: Warden’s and Rector need to provide nominees for the Nominations and Elections Committee.
- The Nehemiah Action Committee meeting drew over 1500 people. Their topic of conversation was mental health.
- Signs around the campus are being restored.

Committees/Team Reports

No updates

Other Business

No updates

Devotion offered by Kay Jenkins

The meeting was adjourned with prayer at 8:06 pm.