

Minutes – August 15, 2023 Vestry Meeting

Members Present: Fr. Keith Winton, Dari Dorman, Lois Westfall, Doug LeClair, Colleen Messec, Lance Baker, Shaun Rife, Eric Rodawig, Sue Woodson, Alex Allemang, Joel VanderVeen, and Charley Pugsley.
Absent: Angela McIver. Also Present: Camille Culp, ECW Representative, Bill Ricketts.

- Meditation: Fr. Keith led the Vestry in prayers for Angela.
- The minutes for the July Vestry meeting were approved.
- Financial Report provided by Eric.
- Rector's Report:
 - Fr. Keith met with the Bishop and was appointed as the Chaplain at Brownell Talbot school. Fr. Keith made sure the Bishop understood the need for a curate.
 - Fall Events Calendar:
 - There will be a Fontenelle Forest outing and the Blessing of the Pets.
 - Table Life Kick-Off Sunday is September 10.
 - Kitchen
 - Cabinetry will be in by the end of the week.
 - Countertops will be the next thing.
 - There have been no significant overages
- Sr. Warden Report
 - Last Sunday was a great Sunday with 69 people at the 10:30 service and 6 ushers. Small children are being incorporated into the usher duties.
 - Discussion of fire alarm system: the power will be turned off and tests run to see if the mother board works. Based on sensors, we may want to replace the system.
 - Discussion on defibulator. A motion carried to purchase new defibulators at a cost of \$1,600. There will be a safety moment to train people on its use.
 - The sidewalk will be fixed on 8/18.
- Jr. Warden report
 - Pictures of the roof were taken, and it is believed that the flat roof is fixed.
 - Assembled a list of deferred maintenance – things we need to do but have not done yet.
 - Will begin the process of selecting the nominating committee for Vestry positions.
- Committee Reports:
 - Buildings and Grounds: Cleaning is better. The carpets will be cleaned after the odd and ends sale and before Sunday School starts.
 - Welcome/ECW/Nearly New
 - Camille continues to make newcomer bags.
 - We will attempt to seat newcomers that are unfamiliar with the service with current members.
 - Need more Welcome people at the 9:30 Service.
 - ECW Kick-Off dinner is August 29, 2023.

- Nearly New Shop needs volunteers; getting a lot of donations; need a steamer and people to iron.
 - Liturgy: Ron is doing a good job of scheduling. There will be 4 single service Sundays. There will also be single services for Advent IV and New Year's Eve.
 - Outreach: The Odds and Ends sale made over \$4,300.
 - Christian Ed/Youth
 - Meeting on Sunday with Youth Students, Parents, and Teachers. Decided on a new approach – Less traditional classroom; One week with Fr. Keith. More service orientation; help with younger classrooms or music; Act as 10:30 acolytes, ushers, etc. The kids are excited about being more involved.
 - Finance
 - Need to thoughtfully discern what to do with the \$240,000 gift.
 - Nor restricted funds at this time.
 - Finance committee will lead the process and others are welcome to attend.
 - Will not use the gift to hire an associate rector – May have a free curate in May and need more time to discern what we need. There will be visionary meetings.
 - Communication: Concerned with the attention given to announcements, etc. Keith will spend \$350 of his discretionary fund to purchase a phone app to be used for communication along with other existing forms of communication
 - Parish Life: Great turnout for the Incontro movie and discussion of Philip Yancy's book, Have a Little Faith.
 - Stewardship: Need a committee. Charley, Dari, Alex, and Sue volunteered.
- Old Business
 - Will have a status meeting with Lutheran Family Services and then wait for our refugee family to be assigned.
 - Coffee Hour: We will have Table Life Groups begin assisting with coffee hour.
 - New member follow-up: Good job with calls to new members. Will have a new list soon.
 - Safeguarding Gods Children: Vestry needs to finish the training.
 - Policies and Procedures: We need to pick the top 4 that we believe we need and work on those.

The meeting ended following the Lord's Prayer and the Prayer for St. Andrew's Parish.

Dari Dornan