

**Trinity Episcopal Church**  
**Minutes of the Vestry Meeting**  
**Monday, August 18, 2014**

**Present:** Rob Baldwin (Rector), Susan Terry (Assistant Priest), Lindy Eakin (Senior Warden), Steven King (Junior Warden), John Bullock, Brenda Clary, Proctor Crow, Dave Griffin, Andrew Hoyt, Pat Kehde, Glenna Kleinkauf, Terry Mandle, Rodney Olson, Maria Thompson (Clerk)

**Absent:** Bill Benso (Treasurer), Mari Russell

**Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 7:10 p.m. Fr. Rob led the prayer.

**Declaration of Quorum**

A count was taken and a quorum declared.

**Approval of the Minutes of the July 2014 Meeting**

Glenna made a motion to approve the July Minutes with a change of wording in the section regarding stewardship. Steve seconded. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

**Junior Warden's Report**

- The floor in the choir loft has been replaced and looks great.
- The water sensing switch in the dishwasher went out and there were problems with rust, making it unusable. Repairs cost about \$1,200, which is \$3,000 less than a new one would cost. It should last at least 4-5 more years.
- Steve has a new employee who is a structural engineer. He is going to consult regarding the floor of the choir loft.
- We still need to find a date for a building and property clean-up day.

**Rector's Report**

- In the Adult Forum we are currently discussing Dietrich Bonhoeffer. The next topic will be a series on the disciples.
- On September 6<sup>th</sup> Fr. Rob will have a meeting with everyone who is currently going through the ordination process to discuss schedules for preaching, liturgy and pastoral care.
- We have a new assistant in the nursery.
- Fr. Rob continues to serve as interim chaplain at Bishop Seabury Academy. He leads worship at 8:00 a.m. on Wednesday mornings, and is keeping office hours there. They plan to hire a full-time chaplain, and are currently working on the position description.
- The fourth cottage visit has been moved from August 23<sup>rd</sup> to September 6<sup>th</sup>, 4:00-6:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall. Childcare will be available.
- Pat asked if the white board by the back door could be removed because it's never used and is something of an eyesore. Steve will take care of it.

**Assistant Priest's Report**

- Many backpacks were donated for children living at Willow Domestic Abuse Shelter. In February we will make Valentine's boxes for them.
- The Sunday School roll-out was August 17<sup>th</sup>.

**Garage Sale**

There were a lot of great donations, and the sale went well, with very little left over. The bake sale also did well.

### **Cottage Visits**

Terry and Lindy provided a written report from the cottage visit they hosted. There were many positive comments, and participants expressed appreciation for the opportunity to be heard.

Fr. Rob asked that everyone be ready to discuss the findings from the cottage visits at the next Vestry meeting. We will need to communicate with the parish about what we've learned.

### **Estate Planning Workshop**

Some parishioners have expressed interest in inviting a professional to Trinity to present a program on financial and estate planning. Concerns were expressed regarding inviting someone who might come to solicit business. Terry will see if she can find a presenter who would give a talk without promoting their own interests.

### **Stewardship**

Terry discussed the schedule for the weekend of the Harvest Festival.

- October 3 – leadership event with Fr. Carlyle, the speaker for the festival
- October 4 – Harvest Festival potluck dinner at Bishop Seabury Academy
- October 5 – Fr. Carlyle will preach at the services

The in-gathering will be on October 26<sup>th</sup>.

### **Liaison Reports**

#### Canterbury House

- Canterbury House is still in need of a peer minister and an intern.
- The students rent parking spaces on their property during KU football games, and are looking for help with managing the lot for a few hours.

### **Treasurer's Report**

Fr. Rob presented the financial report in Bill's absence.

- We are behind in budgeted revenue, but are doing well with expenses.
- July collections were good.

#### Choir Loft Air Conditioning

The funds to pay for the new air conditioner for the choir loft will come out of the budgeted surplus and line items that have come in below budget.

#### Organ Funds

We need a group of people who will work to raise money so we can pay off the loan when the current funds for the organ are used up. They will be responsible for lining up donors and planning events. Vestry members should give names to Fr. Rob if they know of anyone who might be a good candidate for this group.

### **Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Maria Thompson, Clerk