

Trinity Episcopal Church
Minutes of the Vestry Meeting
Monday, October 19, 2015

Present: Rob Baldwin (Rector), Susan Terry (Assistant Rector), John Bullock (Senior Warden), Andrew Hoyt (Junior Warden), Nora Clark, Brenda Clary, Lindy Eakin, Steve King, Glenna Kleinkauf, Terry Mandle, Mari Russell, David Severance, Maria Thompson (Clerk)

Absent: Jennifer Attocknie, Rodney Olson, Bill Benso (Treasurer)

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m.

Declaration of Quorum

A count was taken and a quorum declared.

Approval of the Minutes of the September 2015 Meeting

Lindy made a motion to approve the Minutes of the September Vestry meeting. Glenna seconded. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

Rector's Report (addition to written report)

- Fr. Rob has come to realize how under-staffed the office is. In addition to permanent staff, we could use at least two more volunteers.
- Of the four parishioners who recently passed away, only one left a memorial to Trinity. We need to work at educating the parish about remembering the church in their wills.
- We must begin calling parishioners who haven't returned their pledge cards. The development of a realistic budget depends on the cards being turned in.
- Dick and Rita Tracy are retiring.
 - They are going to be awarded the Archdeacon's Cross at the Diocesan Convention.
 - They will also be recognized by the bishop during his official visit on November 15th.

Assistant Rector's Report

- Parishioner Brian Hazlett has won Firefighter of the Year.
- There will be two baptisms on October 18th.
- There will also be a Renewal of Vows in celebration of a 10-year wedding anniversary.

Vestry Start Time

It was decided that Vestry meetings will start at 6:45, and we will try to finish by 8:45.

Volunteer Recognition

John expressed appreciation for the clergy, volunteers, altar guild and flower guild for their work with all the recent funerals and baptisms.

Small Groups

Organ Debt Reduction

A new campaign to raise funds won't start until after the fall pledge drive is done. We need to figure out how to generate interest and combat parishioner "pledge fatigue."

Tracy Recognition

The gift from the parish will be given to the Tracys during the reception following the 10:30 service on November 15th. The committee will determine what to present.

Newcomers

- The committee is still looking into training for the ushers and greeters, who may be asked to identify and follow-up with newcomers.
- They would also like to see a new church directory so parishioners can put faces with names. We haven't had a printed one since 2007. There are companies that will provide the directories to parishioners for free, making their profits from the portraits that are taken as part of the directory production.

Basement

The committee plans to paint the ceilings, the chalkboard wall and green walls to make the basement rooms brighter. They expect paint and supplies to cost around \$400, which Andrew suggested come from the Maintenance line of the budget. The tentative date for the project is Monday, November 9th, in the evening. That should give the basement time to air out before it is used again.

Financial Report

- It's going to cost around \$600 to build a new web site, something we very much need.
- The Property and Liability Insurance line appears to be higher than budgeted because two payments were made during the reporting period.
- We are still behind in our income stream.
- We are working on a comprehensive report for the first three quarters of 2015.

Food Pantry Fund Raiser

There will be a concert at The Cider Gallery on November 14th, 6:00-11:00 p.m., to raise money for the Trinity Interfaith Food Pantry.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m. Fr. Rob led a prayer to close the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,
Maria Thompson, Clerk