



ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Vestry Minutes – September 19, 2018 – 6:00 pm

Members Present

Attendees included: Jim Lukas (Senior Warden), Carol Toft (Clerk), Judy Robel, Barb Moriarty, Kim Morris, Kathy Biggerstaff, Bill Lang, the Rev. Lori Lowe (Rector), and Lisa Strandberg (Administrative Assistant).

Absent: Jeff Zabor (Junior Warden)

The Rector called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m. with an opening prayer. The vestry reflected on the recent Queen of Hearts raffle. What would we all do with so much money?

Approval of Minutes

Kathy made a motion to approve the June minutes. Barb seconded. The motion passed.

Treasurer's Report & Financials

The Treasurer's reports for July and August were reviewed. We need to keep an eye on what's coming out of the Endowment Fund into the General Fund. It's now \$4,000 per month. There will be a Finance Committee meeting Wednesday, October 24. Members include Bill O. Lang, Charles Sterbis, Judy Robel, and Rick Carlstedt. After further discussion, Barb moved to change the monthly amount taken from the EF to \$6,700, effective this month. Funds are moved on the last business day of the month. The FC will take a look at the bank accounts at their October meeting. Bill and Lisa will check the accounts online periodically. Kim moved to receive the reports. Judy seconded. The motion passed.

Update on Stewardship

Barb presented a timeline for e-news articles and mailings. Kim, Kathy, and Barb will speak at the fall parish meeting about why they give to the church. The Rector will give a sermon on stewardship on October 21st, which will be reprinted in the enews. There will be a reception on November 18th after the service to thank those who have pledged. The Vestry will send thank you notes to those who pledged, and follow up with those who did not yet turn in a pledge card.

BUILDING & GROUNDS

Upstairs air conditioner

A new air conditioner for the Upper Room had been donated earlier in the year. It was discovered that it does not fit the window and should be returned to Lowe's. We need to find out if it can be returned this late.

Diaper box in vestibule

Should we continue to keep the donation box in the vestibule? Donations are still made periodically, which are taken to FISH.

Parish hall rental

A review is needed of the fees charged, in case people are turned off by the cost. Lisa, Carol, Judy, and Barb will review and report back at the October meeting.

PARISH LIFE

Fall Parish Meeting

At the meeting on September 23rd, team ministries will meet to discuss what ministries and activities are needed. Bill will be asked to estimate how much money is usually dedicated to each area. Team Leaders will be asked to periodically attend vestry meetings to report on how their group is working. Leaders are: Deb Lang, Outreach; Jeff Zabor and Bill Lang, Building & Grounds; Marilyn Bell, Parish Life; the Rector, Worship; and Jim Lukas, Publicity & Welcome Committee. Leader names will be posted in the enews and in service sheets. Conveners will meet individually with parishioners. This fall meeting will also be the kickoff for stewardship.

Flea Market

This will be held on Saturday, September 29th. A promotional flyer will be created to pass out. The Parish Hall has been reserved for vendors from the parish and from outside vendors. Monetary donations have been received, as well as food and supplies. Many have volunteered for the day! The committee (Judy, Carol, Lisa, and Beth) will meet afterwards to discuss what worked and could be improved upon for next time.

CPR/AED Class

A date has not been set.

MINISTRIES

Deacon Postulant

The Rector will prepare Deb Lang's candidacy letter and have it available for the vestry to sign.

New Member Policy

Tabled until later.

WARDENS' REPORTS *(none)*

RECTOR'S REPORT

- The Rector reported on pastoral concerns.
- Bill McLemore, priest associate, has been visiting parishioners.
- Bill will have a weekly "Children's Minute" in the service when children are present.
- Conversation is needed concerning the children's program. Should it be continued? Perhaps one Sunday a month could be "Children's Sunday," with their participation. Other ideas are needed to get children involved.
- Delegates to this year's convention are Deb Lang, Kathy Biggerstaff, and Jeff Zabor.

OTHER BUSINESS *(none)*

CLOSING PRAYER AND ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m. with our closing prayer for St. Paul's.

Recorded by Lisa Strandberg, Parish Administrator

Respectfully submitted, Carol Toft, Clerk of the Vestry