

April 26, 2022 – Vestry Minutes
Submitted by the Acting Clerk of the Vestry

Members In Attendance

Fr. Perry Mullins
Jackie White (Treasurer)
Katrinka Clark (Acting Clerk)
Karen Friedland (Junior Warden)
Guy Giersch (Senior Warden)
Michelle Hutton
Meg Cotter-Lynch
Chris Mathew
Molly Mitchell
Scott Patterson
Tucker Thompson

Members Not In Attendance

Tara Alt (Clerk)
Julia Shahid
John Lavalette
Paul Newton

Non-Members In Attendance

Mtr. Kathy Heitmann

Call to Order, Prayers, Consent Calendar

Fr. Perry opened the meeting with prayer at 7:06 PM. Vestry members offered prayer requests for specific individuals. Prayers were followed by a discussion of the scripture passage Acts 1:12-17, 20-26. The Consent Calendar was adopted without objection.

Discussion

Post-Quarantine Church

The Vestry continued discussion of “The Post-Quarantine Church” focusing on chapters 2 – 4. Key elements of the discussion included:

- How to actively engage people in digital world?
- What are the markers of a neighborhood church and how does St. Peter’s rank in that respect?
 - Location: A
 - Local members: B-
 - Member representation: C-
 - Look the part & fit the neighborhood: A
 - Match community needs: B+
 - Active outreach: A+
 - Strong community: A
 - Desire to be a neighborhood church: B
- Prayer Ministries – Fr. Perry noted that prayer informs the rest, and that we need to be intentional about being a prayerful church.

Information and Business

Update on the Lilly Grant Process

The grant submission is due on April 27th. The proposal is still being finalized and will be emailed to the Vestry after it is submitted. Fr. Perry noted that the grant committee led by Christine Williams has planned several engaging activities for congregation intended to mirror his time away. The proposal will ask for approximately \$32,500 for Fr. Perry’s expenses and \$13,500 for St. Peter’s expenses..

Announcements

The following announcements were made:

- Easter Services attendance was 586, which is very close to pre-pandemic numbers. Currently the average Sunday attendance is about 250-270, which means that parishioners are still here but not coming as regularly. Fr. Perry encouraged Vestry to continue to work their contact list, perhaps including reminders about the picnic or Empty Bowls or sending an email if not able to call.
- The May Vestry meeting will include a discussion of Ch. 5-6 of the "The Post-Quarantine Church".
- The first of the Speaker Series was very well attended on Sunday. Fr. Barry Cotter will present next week.
- The worship schedule will not be changed for the summer.
- Fr. Perry thanked Karen Friedland for providing the dessert for the meeting and Georgene Wood and her team (Woody, the Fowlers, and the Andries) for their work on the Columbarium project, which will start after VBS concludes.

The meeting closed with prayer at 8:30 PM.

Prayerfully submitted,
Katrinka Clark (Acting Clerk)

Approved:

Date: 6/25/22
Signed: Tara Clark