

October 27, 2022 - Vestry Minutes
Submitted by the Clerk of the Vestry

Members in Attendance

Fr. Perry Mullins
Tara Alt, Clerk
Meg Cotter-Lynch
Katrinka Clark
Karen Friedland
Guy Giersch
Michelle Hutton
John Lavalette
Chris Mathew
Molly Mitchell
Paul Newton
Scott Patterson
Tucker Thompson
Jackie White

Members Not in Attendance

Julia Shahid

Non-Members in Attendance

Mtr. Kathy Heitman
Georgia Thompson

Call to Order, Prayers, Consent Calendar

Fr. Perry opened the meeting with prayer at 7:08pm. Vestry members offered prayer requests for specific individuals. We also prayed for the New Outreach Church of God in Christ, which burned in a neighborhood fire in McKinney this week. Prayers were followed by a discussion of the scripture passage Acts 11:19-30. The discussion included talking about St. Peter's mission field. Suggested areas of concentration included the homeless community, aging population (area nursing homes), and the Spanish-speaking community.

The Consent Calendar was accepted, with Jackie clarifying some financial report information for Tucker and with the Building and Grounds report removed. Separately, Karen delivered the Building and Grounds report and discussed the campus re-roofing project, which will start in a couple of weeks.

Discussion

The Vestry discussed *A Generous Community* (Ch. 8-10). Most of the discussion centered around outreach, inclusiveness, and how to invest in the community and the people being served. A number of programs and projects were discussed, including Empty Bowls, Christmas Angels and Shiloh Place. The importance of interacting with those being served was emphasized. Small worshiping communities, showing God's love and evangelism and their importance were also discussed.

Information and Business

Fr. Perry announced the results of the 2023 Stewardship Campaign, which were good. There were 181 pledges made (an increase), and of those 112 reflected an increase in the pledged amount. The average pledge was greater than \$4,000, an important milestone.

Mtr. Kathy led a guided listening session on the youth and children's ministries, and what qualities and abilities will be important in a new youth minister, allowing Mtr. Kathy to take on the role of assistant rector full time.

Announcements

Upcoming dates were announced:

All Soul's Mass and visit to Fr. Terrill's gravesite, 11/2

Advent Event, 11/16

Lessons & Carols 12/11

Carols on the Square with St. Mark's and other churches, 12/17

Fr. Perry also briefly discussed an outreach to the local artist community and an effort to replace the angel in the garden.

The meeting was adjourned to executive session at 9:02pm.

Prayerfully submitted,

Tara Alt, Clerk

Approved:

Date: 11/17/22
Signed: Tara Alt
Tara Alt, Clerk