Vestry Minutes
Tuesday, January 24, 2023
5:15pm via Zoom and Formation + Arts Room #204


Absentees: Baker and Knowles  Guests: N/A

Welcome and Opening Prayer: All
- Jack Parker called the meeting to order at 5:18 pm with the Vestry prayer.

Declaration of the Quorum: Jack Parker
- Quorum established.

Spiritual Presentation/Reflection: Jacqueline Williams
- Love Thy Neighbor and told a story about when she did her best.

Consent Agenda: All
- Dec 2022 Vestry Minutes.
- Dec 2022 Financials.
- Dec 2022 KPIs.
- Move to approve the consent agenda; seconded and approved.

Rector’s 5 Minutes: Rev Reeder
- Thank you all for being a ministry leader.
- Shared a story about a recent encounter with a parishioner.

Vicar’s Update: Rev Oglesby
- Sanctuary Project Update
  - We do have a building permit and we are waiting for the bids to come in.
  - Hope to start in February and end by Easter/Pentecost.
- Reserve Study
  - Frank Watson has worked hard.
- Solana Road/A1A Property Update
  - Jack Parker has done a wonderful job on this project.
  - $150,000 to us (buyer pays closing costs)
  - Saw designs for what it would look like – no house
  - Bishop’s approval received; with Fred Isaac
  - Intention is to keep the lot as open grassy area.
  - Expect to get contract back in coming days as written or with few changes
  - We will give a gift to the Diocese of Florida of 10% (requirement within most Dioceses)
  - Rev Reeder reminded us that undesignated gifts go to pay down the debt.

2023 Budget: McCarthy/Burnside/Toonk
- Status of 2023 Annual Campaign
  - 512 pledges/gifts for $2,790,641
  - Number of folks working with Clergy to make calls to parishioners.
• Had a 2hour meeting yesterday to work on the next steps.

• Summary preliminary 2023 budget
  • Reviewed and discussed the handout.
  • Discussed strategic marketing.
  • Discussed parishioner’s pledges.

Annual Meeting/Church Update
Seating of New Vestry
Vestry Candidate Process: Parker/Rev Reeder

• Must have an Annual Meeting within 30 days of Convention.
• The Convention date has not been determined.
• That’s when we elect Vestry members and Delegates.
• Since we can’t vote until we after Convention, we will ask the outgoing Vestry members to stay on until we can vote new members in.
• Incoming Vestry members will be able to come to the meeting but not vote until after Convention.
• Informal annual meeting will be held Feb 28th.

Reserve Study: Mickley

• Reviewed the slideshow presentation.
• **Motion to submit recommendations to the Vestry meeting; seconded and approved.**
  o To accept the proposed study.
  o Finance Committee to oversee the required payments to the reserve endowment and expenses deducted from the fund based on completed repairs and maintenance.
    Develop format to record actual projects, as they are completed, including the dollars spent and the detail of the work. Use Reserve Study project format as a guide. Report results with recommendations to the Vestry quarterly.
  o Update the study every 5 years based on the experience of the previous 5 years and the economy at that time.
  o Fund Raising:
    ▪ Covenant Society legacy gifts
    ▪ Capital Campaign
    ▪ Make parishioners aware of the fund
    ▪ Transfer funds from existing CEC General fund
  o Invest money with CapTrust
  • **Motion to open a separate Schwab account for Reserve Study; seconded and approved.**

Other Business and/or Questions and Answers: All
• **Motion to approve Ronda Toonk, CFO to sign W9s on behalf of Christ Episcopal Church; seconded and approved.**
• Our new sign in front of the Church looks like a temporary sign. Is that all we can do?
  o At least add Episcopal to the sign.
• On Sunday Robb Mitchell was approached by Mr. Flynn and asked what is going on with the Foundation?
  o Thomas Johnson will be in town in Feb for a Foundation meeting.
• Sad news, Bishop Chalfant passed away today.
• Good news, Rev Diaz and Marcela passed their citizenship test today.
  o Staff will have a lunch party on Tues the 31st.

Prayer and Adjournment: Rev Andreis Diaz
• Adjourned the meeting in prayer at 6:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Ronda Toonk, Vestry Registrar