

# Minutes of the Vestry

December 28, 2021

The Vestry convened via Zoom for the December meeting at 7 pm. The following people were in attendance:

Clergy - Christopher Phillips, Assistant Rector

Wardens – Linell Grundman, Senior Warden; Jim Pittman, Junior Warden

Vestry – Kit Arrington, Brent Bickley, Christophe Berendes, Edna Boone, Fritz Henn, Jeb Ory, Andrew Stafford, Shay Waye, David Wellman

Officers - Frank Nickerson, Treasurer; Randy Marks, Assistant Treasurer; Kim Bayliss, Register

Guests - Kenn Allen, Louise Walsh, Raiford Gaffney

Absent – Michele Morgan, Rector

Opening Prayer led by the Assistant Rector

<u>Approval of the Minutes</u> – Motion to approve the minutes from the October 23<sup>rd</sup> meeting made by Edna Boone and seconded by Jeb Ory. Vote was taken by a show of hands and was unanimous in favor of the motion. Motion to approve the minutes from the November 30<sup>th</sup> meeting was made by Andrew Stafford and seconded by Shay Waye. Vote was taken by a show of hands and was unanimous in support of the motion.

<u>Report of the Rector</u>- Christopher Phillips thanked the Vestry and staff on behalf of the clergy for guidance and help as they navigated the disruptions to the Christmas Season services due to the spike in corona virus cases.

<u>Report of the Senior Warden</u> – Launch meeting for parish pastoral care planning committee will be scheduled soon. Efforts underway to re-launch the Stewardship Committee and the Membership Committee.

Report of the Sabbatical Committee – Kenn Allen and Louise Walsh, co-chairs of the Sabbatical Committee explained the purpose of the clergy sabbatical and reviewed the history of the sabbatical at St. Mark's. The Committee is working with the Rector on plans for smooth operations during the sabbatical. A Rector's forum will take place on January 23<sup>rd</sup> for the parish to learn more.

Report of the Treasurer – Frank Nickerson reviewed the financial results from November. 2021 Pledge income is expected to meet the revenue goal. There have been \$249K in bequests in the month. A preliminary budget for 2022 was presented. Numbers may need to be adjusted based on 2022 Pledge income forecasts.

#### **ACTION**

Motion for the Vestry to approve the 2020 Audit was offered by Andrew Stafford. David Wellman seconded the motion. Vote was taken by a show of hands and was unanimous in favor of the motion.

### **ACTION**

Motion for the Vestry to approve the Treasurer's Report made by Andrew Stafford, seconded by Brent Bickley. Vote taken by show of hands and was unanimous in favor of the motion.

## **ACTION**

Motion for the Vestry to authorize the transfer of the Donnelly bequest to the Building Reserve fund and to direct the Senior Warden, Rector, and Treasurer to honor the Donnelly provisos that some of the funds be spent on improved lighting for the Nave and a way to hang artwork in the Nave made by Kit Arrington. Motion seconded by David Wellman. Vote occurred by show of hands. Motion was approved unanimously.

<u>Report of the Security Camera Policy Task Force</u> - David Wellman and Chris Berendes presented the Security Camera Policy to the Vestry.

### **ACTION**

Motion that the Vestry adopt the Security Camera Policy with clarifying edits as agreed upon during the Vestry meeting made by David Wellman. Motion seconded by Chris Berendes. Vote taken by show of hands was unanimous in favor.

Closing Prayer led by Linell Grundman.

Meeting adjourned.