

Vestry Meeting Minutes
March 17, 2020
Via Zoom

Vestry Members Present: Kim Kitterman, James Aldinger, Lisa Buckner, Bailey Fountain, Madge Deacon, Edwin Thorpe, Anna Kathryn Word, Kathryn Jasper, John Webb, Will Hayley, Nancy Manire, Heidi Rupke, John Owen, Laura Trott

Vestry Members Absent: Ginny Strubing

Clergy Present: Scott Walters, Paul McLain, Amber Carswell

Others Present: Steve Smith, Tony Graves

Scott Walters called the meeting to order at 6:03pm.

Nancy Manire opened with a prayer.

Approval of Minutes:

February meeting minutes were approved. Madge Deacon made the motion and James Aldinger seconded.

Treasurer's Report:

We are in good shape based on YTD column. Large pledge paid in full in January. We also received an extra payment from Endowment and bonus payment from parking lot. Revenue and expenses are lining up appropriately. Calvary paid off loan to Endowment last month. We are in a good position but cautious as we will miss plate offerings while church is moved online. Discussed ability to cut expenses, and discussed that there is some buffer built in to our budget. The thermostats have been adjusted to lower temps and Calvary Place is currently not open due to the Coronavirus. Parishioners are able to make pledge AND plate donations via Realm, we should encourage this. The financials were approved, motion made by Edwin Thorpe.

Rector's Report:

Waffle Shop/LPS: big thank you to Heidi Rupke, Doug Franklin, Connie Marshall, and all LPS/Waffle Shop folks. It was a heartbreaking decision to cut it short. Vestry unanimously agreed to extend thanks to Doug Franklin for his leadership.

Master Plan/Capital Campaign: Herron Horton Architects have made 2 visits since last Vestry meeting. We have interviewed David Dando to be Owner's Representative (go between parish, architects, and contractors). He will be able to give us good estimates for feasibility. He served in this role at Holy Communion recently and actually was contractor for our 1992 addition. Herron Horton visited again and brought mechanical and structural engineers and landscape architect.

COVID-19:

- Sundays: Clergy and small choir will lead Morning Prayer with a sermon at 10am. Working on livestream with Noah Glenn. Community Breakfast currently under discussion on how we can complete this safely and faithfully. There is a meeting tomorrow to assess feasibility. We do not want to abandon those most in need. Conversations are evolving.
- Wednesday: Continue 12:05 Eucharist if numbers stay small. Consider 8pm Compline livestream with small choir.
- Other weekdays:
 - Amber starting blog on meditations on writings of the Desert Fathers (Monday/Friday)
 - Tuesday evening Bible Study at 7pm with Amber
 - Hoping to continue podcast from LPS
- Hilary and Gabbie working on ideas for families/youth
- Discuss ways for other groups within the church to connect in a way while they cannot meet in person.
- Pastoral Care assessing need for those with limited access to technology and keeping in touch with those who cannot come to Calvary to continue to feel included/connected.

Senior Warden's Report:

- Need to continue Vestry Buddies! Kim will make assignments and let everyone know.
- RITI closed for now, plan to have Vestry volunteer for a night once it is restarted.

Next Steps/Visioning Report:

Small group (Kim Kitterman, James Aldinger, Kathryn Jasper, Madge Deacon, Bailey Fountain) met to expand upon work from retreat at Crosstown with Kat Gordon. Categories included green space, incubator space, Welcome Center, traditions of Calvary, and "Calvary has a place at the downtown table." Each member took turns writing/editing description of certain categories in the present tense. Kim read aloud the final draft of notes regarding the welcome center. Copies uploaded to Basecamp. Recommend to create separate threads for each category for Vestry members post thoughts after reviewing each document.

Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 7:09pm. Motion made by Edwin Thorpe, seconded by Madge Deacon.

Nancy Manire closed with a prayer.