

Minutes for the Meeting of the Vestry
Trinity Church – Milford
7pm on June 11, 2018

Present: Ginny Starkis, Justin Varteresian, Beth Moeller, Lisa Ruggiero, Peach Warren, Susan Edmondson, Grace Prevelige, Lucille Clinkman, Wayne Stochaj, Gayle Ruscitti, Fr. Mac, Edla Ann Bloom, Cheryl Martin

Absent – Dave Scott, Cheryl Eidinge-Taylor

The meeting started at 7:00 pm.

1....Edla Ann led us in opening prayer and check-in

2....Sunday June 24 between 2-4 garden and house open from Randy – perhaps refreshment and a welcoming may be involved and extended the invitation. 2 Congress Street in Worcester

2Housekeeping

✦ It was moved to accept the agenda - **Approved**

✦ It was moved to accept the minutes from the May meeting - **Approved**

✦ Follow up from Previous Meeting

 . Updates to Parish Membership – Gayle and Peach reported that this work is ongoing.

 . Outdoor Sign Suggestions – there is a sign up but Fr. Mac is still looking for suggestions.

3....Parishioner Sharing –

a. Lucille shared that she feels very bad that Sue is gone, that folks enjoyed working with her.

b. Gayle shared some questions about education – will be addressed in Wardens Report

4....Vestry Resource Guide and Vestry Handbook Chapter 4. Two things that need to be done, from the grounds perspective the Clerk should put out a thank you to Brian O’Toole and his team for the outdoor landscaping team – Cathy, Beth, Millie and also John Cook continues to offer his service for mowing and trimming. (Beth to take the action item on this one). We’ve already approved the memorial garden for here and the same set of guidelines will be presented to the diocese. When the organ is complete and the painting is done we should do another video and walkthrough of the facility to do an inventory of what we have. Commented that John Ellis and Dwight are constantly doing things behind the scenes.

5Treasurer’s Report (Fr. Mac presented the Treasurers report)

✦ April Treasurers Report Fr. Mac reviewed the April report, it was moved to accept the report - **Approved**

✦ Finance Committee Activities – minutes were sent out in an attachment, there is a bit of work to be done to put a flush grate in the floor and ice protection outside on the AC. Painters Pride contractor will start week of June 25th, decision that Randy and Justin will coordinate painting the choir room. Organ schedule everyone is updated, new date is August because base pipes in construction and will not be done before that. John is scheduling cleanup of basement on July 28th (dumpster in parking lot that might be involved). John and Dwight are working on the kitchen update. Treasurer role continues to be an issue – if anyone has an idea of anyone who might like to do this job, we need ideas for someone to take on that role.

✦ Capital Campaign Updates were made:

- Organ
- Kitchen
- Painting

6Wardens’ Report (Ginny Starkis and Justin Varteresian)

Christian Education Committee Update: an organization meeting took place, purpose to take a look at the curriculum (age range, for example is a concern) and plan a plan for next year. Purpose of the committee to see what is out there for curriculum; Mary Beth will take some time to determine if she wants to continue. Met to discuss what worked, what has not worked, what the challenges have been. Meeting next Monday night and Ginny will send notes from the meeting to the Vestry – anyone else is welcome to come to the meeting. In the past, Fr. Mac would meet with Mary Beth to plan the curriculum, for example this year is the stories Jesus would tell.

8Rector’s Report (Fr. Mac)

Campers Scholarship – one family has four kids going to camp this year to go to a bible camp. Our tradition is to offer \$100 per child. Request a \$400 for scholarship. **Moved and approved to provide scholarship.**

Renewal Works – renewal works is a ministry of forward movement – thought was to give us an opportunity to work with one or two other parishes to look at where we are going, it would fit in with the theme of revival which is going on within the diocese. We would apply with Pam to become a cohort and we would work with Forward Movement and they would work with us. Fr. Mac will send the info to get this going.

Bible Challenge can get the book on Amazon. Next meeting will be July 8th for the Sunday – plus every Wednesday

Worcester Corridor Revival Team Members – revival going on in the corridor. Looking for team members who would like to plan team events --- meet mostly in Worcester and planning various events. Culmination of first year is October 21st.

Lay Preacher Candidates are needed if anyone has ideas or interested.

Standing Committee Nominees looking for one lay and one clergy member to run for the standing committee role Standing Committee is responsible to find a bishop if needed, watch over the property and also in charge of approving anyone for ordination and approving other dioceses bishop elections. There are 4 lay and 4 clergy members.

9New Business:

Kim S. getting silver award for her work in the choir room

Alison Kee in the works an idea to put in information holders in the pews.

11Edla Ann led us in closing with prayer and the meeting ended at 8:22 pm