

CHURCH OF THE RESURRECTION

VESTRY MINUTES

November 11, 2020

Vestry members in attendance: Rector David Lynch, Senior Warden John Biggs, Junior Warden Les Woodward, Bill Carle, Gabe Conn, Tess Garcia, Jim Gilligan, and David Henson [Biggs, Gilligan, Henson, and Secretary Pat Carle attended remotely via Zoom technology.]

Absent: Elaine Marshall and Arla Witte-Simpson

Guests: Sarah States and Gary Zumwalt

After an opening prayer, the meeting was called to order by Fr. David Lynch at 7:00 p.m.

**Music with Mar Request** – Sarah States: The first order of business was discussion of a request by Sarah States to use the undercroft for a Music with Mar program one morning per week. Fr. David reported that he had discussed with Chancellor David Powell the question of whether a for-profit organization may use the building. One of the primary questions is whether this would have an impact on the church real estate property tax exemption. A follow-up discussion will be held with David Powell before the Vestry makes a decision. Sarah States exited the meeting.

The **audio-visual discussion** - Gary Zumwalt: Gary Zumwalt has been discussing with Eric Rhodes, who consults for the Diocese, the live-streaming issues the parish has encountered. The existing camera, which cannot pan up/down or left/right and is mounted in one place, cannot provide coverage at the baptismal fount, choir loft, or undercroft, and it is suggested that it be replaced. A second camera on a tripod is proposed as is a monitor to coordinate the two cameras (SEE ATTACHED). Fr. David also prepared a memorandum to reflect possible coverage of much of the cost by the Deanery (SEE ATTACHED). After a motion duly made and seconded, the following resolution was approved by the Vestry:

*RESOLVED, that the Vestry authorizes the senior warden and the rector to request that the deanery grant up to \$2,200 for the purchase of a new camera and related equipment and supplies and that the Vestry authorizes the expenditure of up to \$500 [as the motion was amended prior to the vote] for other costs involved in a video upgrade.*

After a motion duly made and seconded, the following resolution was approved by the Vestry:

*RESOLVED, that the minutes of the Vestry meeting held on October 14, 2020, be approved. (SEE ATTACHED)*

**FINANCIAL REPORTS:**

**Treasurer's Report** - Jim Gilligan (SEE ATTACHED): The treasurer presented financial reports for October 2020. Actual income fairly closely tracks with budgeted year-to-date income and actual expenses are less than those budgeted due to the shut-down of the church in the pandemic and periodic unpaid absences of the rector. After a motion duly made and seconded, the following resolution was approved by the Vestry:

*RESOLVED, that the attached financial reports for October 2020 be accepted as presented.*

**Finance Committee:** The drafted investment policy (SEE ATTACHED) was briefly discussed. After a motion duly made and seconded, the following resolution was approved by the Vestry:

*RESOLVED, that the attached investment policy be accepted.*

**Stewardship** – Links to make pledges for 2021 will be provided in the weekly email this week. There will be a Zoom meeting on November 22, 2020, at 2 p.m. for the congregation to go over 2020 financial results and 2021 expectations. Most of those who pledged in 2020 have been able to continue to give. It was decided that the ingathering Sunday will be December 6, 2020, for those not accessing the online giving platform. Stewardship committee member, Dr. Tess Garcia, noted that her email address has changed to DrTess@GFMDirectPrimaryCare.com

**Legacy Memorial Fund** – The topic of a legacy fund was introduced although no specific decisions were reached.

**Audit Report** – Pat Carle (SEE ATTACHED): The audit reports, which were free of any criticism of church reporting processes, were presented and explained. After a motion duly made and seconded, the following resolution was approved by the Vestry:

*RESOLVED, that the attached audit reports be accepted.*

**COMMITTEE REPORTS (SEE ATTACHED REPORTS):** Previously submitted reports were presented for approval by consent. Items emerging after the reports were completed include:

**Building & Grounds – Les Woodward:** A contract for snow removal has been signed. Pew repair is being investigated. Purchase of a new refrigerator was discussed; the junior warden will investigate and any approval needed will be handled by email if possible.

**Pastoral Care – Gabe Conn:** The annual shared meal for Thanksgiving at the Conn home has been cancelled due to COVID19 concerns.

**Outreach – Pat Carle:** The BackSnack program started up for this school year in October. A collection for gift cards to be donated to the Community Services League for their Christmas event has begun.

**LEADERSHIP REPORTS (SEE ATTACHED):** Previously submitted reports were presented for approval by consent. Below are items which emerged after the reports were completed or were amplified through presentation.

Junior Warden – Les Woodward: Nothing further.

Senior Warden – John Biggs: Annual reports for each ministry should be completed and returned to Jim Gilligan by the end of the year. The Annual Meeting will be on January 31, 2021.

Rector - Fr. David Lynch: The Diocesan convention was reviewed, including the decrease in Diocesan annual assessments of the parishes. Fr. David remains on hiatus from his chaplaincy duties. Fr. Bill George at neighboring All Saints Lutheran fell, broke his back, and will be retiring immediately.

**DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS:**

**Capital Campaign** - Les Woodward: Bids will be received from two contractors for the planned expansion.

**Nominating Committee** – The group briefly discussed ways to vote in a pandemic, including the opportunity to vote by acclamation if a 3-person slate is put forward.

**Audio-visual** – Discussed previously in the meeting.

There being no further old or new business and following a prayer, the meeting was adjourned at 9:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Pat Carle

Secretary