

**Vestry Meeting**  
**Church of the Transfiguration++Lake Saint Louis, Missouri**  
**February 20, 2019**

**Present:** Rev Lu-Anne Conner, Jim Furgason, Nicole Jones, Jennie Kelly, Rick MacIvor, Mari Moody, Kerry Quinlisk, Mary Reed, Carrie Mares, Larry Hopen, Jeanette Hollmann, Anne Wright

**Absent:** Nancy Rediger

**The vestry meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm.**

Rev. Lu-Anne opened the meeting with a prayer.

**Vestry scripture practice** Luke 11:33-36

*“No one lights a lamp, then hides it in a drawer.  
It’s put on a lamp stand so those entering the room have light to see where they’re going.  
Your eye is a lamp, lighting up your whole body.  
If you live wide-eyed in wonder and belief, your body fills up with light.  
If you live squinty-eyed in greed and distrust, your body is a dank cellar.  
Keep your eyes open, your lamp burning, so you don’t get musty and murky.  
Keep your life as well-lighted as your best-lighted room.”*

**Rev Lu-Anne welcomed the new vestry member in attendance, Drew Lawless**

Drew signed the Policies and Procedure for the Protection of Children and Youth from Abuse.

**Church of the Transfiguration Wardens: Rev. Lu-Anne**

- Rev. Lu-Anne announced, with great pleasure, Mari Moody will be senior warden.
- Rev Lu-Anne would like to separate the position of junior warden from the caring for the buildings and grounds. The junior warden will become a counselor of advice, helping set the agenda and direction for the parish and vestry.
- Rev Lu-Anne will send out email vote for junior warden.
- A committee will be formed of those willing to serve the parish in the capacity of buildings and grounds maintenance. Information will be available at the upcoming ministry fair.

**Minutes: Carrie McEachern-Mares**

The January minutes were submitted to the vestry and delegates prior to the meeting.

Kerry Quinlisk made a motion to accept the minutes as corrected. Drew Lawless seconded.

The motion passed.

**Treasurer’s report: Mary Reed**

The January treasurer's report was submitted to the vestry and delegates prior to the meeting. Jim Furgason made a motion to accept the report as submitted. Mari Moody seconded. The motion passed.

### **Finance Committee: Jim Furgason**

Jim Furgason reported on the finance committee meeting of January 7, 2019.

The finance committee is in the process of reviewing the parish insurance coverage.

- The committee is making a recommendation for the purchase of CDs with a portion of the church's reserve cash. The reserve cash is approximately \$158,000. The finance committee is seeking approval to invest \$60,000 in a conservative financial vehicle. The committee is investigating rates for certificates of deposit. There was a general discussion concerning investing of the funds.
- Jim Furgason made a motion to invest \$60,000 of reserve cash in certificates of deposit. The rates and times of the certificates to be determined by the finance committee. Mari Moody seconded. The motion passed.

### **Presentation by music direction: Tom Lee**

Tom Lee made a presentation requesting the purchase of a Yamaha Clavinova CLP-645 digital piano.

Following the presentation, the vestry engaged in a discussion.

A motion was made by Mari Moody to accept the proposal to purchase a Yamaha Clavinova CLP-645 digital piano, leaving it to treasurer to sort funding.

Drew Lawless seconded the motion. The motion passed with six aye and one nay vote.

### **General comments**

- As a follow up to an earlier discussion, several vestry members engaged in a discussion concerning the proposed columbarium. The topic of the columbarium will be placed on the agenda for the March vestry meeting.
- As a reminder, the vestry meetings are open to the parish.

**The meeting was adjourned at 7:22 pm.**

**The next vestry meeting will be March 20 at 6:00 pm.**

Respectfully submitted,

Carrie McEachern-Mares  
Vestry clerk

