

Vestry Meeting
Church of the Transfiguration++Lake Saint Louis, Missouri
April 10, 2019

Vestry present: Rev Lu-Anne Conner, Rector; Mari Moody, Senior Warden; Jim Furgason, Nicole Jones, Jennie Kelly, Rick MacIvor, Kerry Quinlisk, Nancy Rediger

Vestry excused: Drew Lawless, Jennie Kelly

Delegates present: Jeanette Hollmann, Anne Wright

Delegates excused: Larry Hopen

Present by invitation: Carrie Mares, Vestry Clerk; Mary Reed, Treasurer

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

Rev. Lu-Anne Conner opened the meeting with the collect for the Monday in Holy Week.

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*Almighty God, whose most dear Son went not up to joy but first he suffered pain,
and entered not into glory before he was crucified:
Mercifully grant that we, walking in the way of the cross,
may find it none other than the way of life and peace;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you
and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.*

Vestry scripture practice: Galatians 6:1-5

1-3 Live creatively, friends. If someone falls into sin, forgivingly restore him, saving your critical comments for yourself. You might be needing forgiveness before the day's out. Stoop down and reach out to those who are oppressed. Share their burdens, and so complete Christ's law. If you think you are too good for that, you are badly deceived.

4-5 Make a careful exploration of who you are and the work you have been given, and then sink yourself into that. Don't be impressed with yourself. Don't compare yourself with others. Each of you must take responsibility for doing the creative best you can with your own life.

Minutes: Carrie McEachern-Mares

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

Jim Furgason made a motion to accept the minutes as corrected. Rick MacIvor seconded.

The motion passed.

a. Explanation of attendance categories: Rev. Lu-Anne Conner

Rev Lu-Anne explained the new attendance categories and the reasons for the changes.

Jim Furgason made a suggestion to have a written set of expectations for visitors.

Treasurer's Report: Mary Reed

The March treasurer's report was submitted to the vestry and delegates prior to the meeting.

The treasurer answered questions from the vestry concerning her report.

- Snow removal has been higher due to the extra snow this year.
- The entry for janitorial services will be corrected.
- The entry for the pledge to diocese will be corrected.
- Office expenses are higher because of the order of a laptop and microsoft office by the music director.
- A negative balance in the sign budget was discussed. The treasurer will investigate.
- Escrip and Amazon funds were discussed. To date, the funds have not been designated.
- General discussion concerning assets, liability and equity of the parish.

Kerry Quinlisk made a motion to accept the report as submitted. Mary Reed seconded. The motion passed.

Senior warden report: Mari Moody

Mari Moody read a statement concerning her role as senior warden.

Junior warden report: Nicole Jones

- Chuck Laney and Ron Howden gave the binder containing maintenance information and projects to the acting junior warden.
- Jim Furgason discussed the damaged sign foundation with the project manager for water district. The project manager anticipates hiring a contractor soon in order for the water district to complete the sewer project. The project manager agreed the damage to the sign foundation is the responsibility of the PWSD#2 and said they will rebuild the sign foundation when work completed. Nicole Jones will contract Ron Howden concerning the sign and PWSD#2 for confirmation of their responsibilities for the sign damage and repair .
- The acting junior wardens have contacted the lawn company for spillway maintenance.
- They have contacted clothing pickup company to perform maintenance on the collection shed.
- They will have flowers in pots before Easter.
- The acting junior wardens will be making a push for spring cleanup day. They will prioritize lists of projects and assign duties.

Decision concerning junior warden's duties - Rev Lu-Anne Conner

A quarterly rotation was set up to perform the duties of the junior warden.

- April, May, June - Mari Modde, Nicole Jones
- July, August, September - Kerry Quinlisk, Nancy Rediger
- October, November, December - Rick MacIvor, Jim Furgason

LMoD duties for choir members - how to modify - Rev Lu-Anne Conner

There was a general discussion to help choir members on days assigned LMoD duties.

- duties may be shared with another vestry member
- when the LMoD schedule is prepared, choir members will put out an email to share duties

Columbarium questions - Rev Lu-Anne Conner

There was a general discussion concerning the possibility of a columbarium. Questions and concerns asked and discussed:

- do more parishioners prefer to have their cremains outside?
- an inside columbarium is a major addition
- is the interest of the congregation shifting to upgrading the outside memorial garden?

The vestry meeting was adjourned at 7:00 pm.

The next meeting will be Wednesday, May 15 at 6:00 pm.

The vestry entered into a closed session to continue a discussion started at the vestry retreat.

Respectfully submitted,

Carrie McEachern-Mares

Vestry clerk

