

Minutes of the Vestry Meeting on January 20, 2019
St. Mary's Episcopal Church, Lampasas TX

Members Present: Bill Fowler, Bill Adams, Jan Sewall, Paul Wilborn, Mary Raring-Hart,
Mary Black Davis, Mary Casbeer, Betty Lindsey-Maxey, and Mike Watson.

Members Absent: Bunny Johnson (Treasurer), David Harshaw

Rev. Fowler opened the meeting at 09:05 with prayer.

The vestry unanimously approved the minutes of the 2018 meetings on:

November 18

November 25

December 9

December 16

Treasurer's Report

Bunny was unable to attend. Bill Adams asked members to review the monthly financial summary in our member notebooks.

Rev. Bill directs that the Finance Committee be a standing committee chaired by Mike Watson.

Members include Bill Fowler, Bunny Gunn-Johnson, Bill Adams, Paul Wilborn, Gregg Westerfield, and John Cole. [Mike checked with John C. and Gregg W. after the meeting and both will serve.]

The committee will meet at 9AM on the Sunday before each vestry meeting to review the Treasurer's report, direct any changes needed, and recommend it for approval to the vestry. A priority for the committee is to update the format of the monthly report.

Priest's Report

Rev. Bill asked that we keep this early in the agenda. He is having a good time and is honored to be here. Bill has two near-term objectives for the parish:

- 1) elevate our worship experience, teaming with the existing worship ministries.
- 2) bring parish members closer together, through fellowship and other actions.

Bill prefers to be addressed in conversation as Bill, Father Bill, or Reverend Bill and not Reverend Fowler. He emphasized how much he wants to be available to us, asked that we call his cell 979-204-7160 any time, or email at wmyoungfowler@gmail.com.

Rev. Bill will work with Molly and Bunny to connect himself, Bill Adams and Paul Wilborn to the corresponding @ourstmarys email accounts, or to rework the contact info on our website to other addresses.

Our Christmas services went well thanks to help from all the worship ministries. However the 10PM service was lightly attended and Rev. Bill feels it is very late to be driving home safely after it ends. He is considering for this year to hold one service at 5:00PM Christmas Eve, and perhaps to make it a candlelight service.

Old Business

Vestry members please review the recommended changes to the Operating Policies regarding the Columbarium. Printed copies are in vestry member notebooks and Mike has emailed a copy to you.

New Business

Mary Casbeer moved, Jan Sewall seconded, and the vestry unanimously approved the following:

Resolved that Paul Wilborn and Bill Adams replace Sue Faulkner and Robert Oliver, and that Bunny Gunn-Johnson continue, as signatories for all accounts held by the parish at any financial institutions.

Paul Wilborn moved, Mary Black Davis seconded and the vestry unanimously approved the following slate of officers for 2019:

Senior Warden	Bill Adams
Junior Warden	Paul Wilborn
Treasurer	Bunny Gunn-Johnson
Clerk	Mike Watson
Stewardship Volunteer	Bill Adams (acting)

Bill Adams will ask Libby Bluntzer to be Columbarium Volunteer and Gregg Westerfield to be Stewardship Volunteer and report at our February meeting.

Mike Watson plans to send draft minutes within a week after each vestry meeting, then incorporate comments and republish the week prior to the next meeting. He will USmail mail a printout to Mary Casbeer and email all other vestry members.

Junior Warden's Report

Paul Wilborn is pursuing Mike Hail on the schedule for work on the NE corner of the sanctuary. Next step is to secure commitment from the foundation subcontractor based in Dallas.

Repair to the parish hall plumbing is completed and paid.

Groundskeeper has been conscientious about cleaning up our grounds on Saturdays.

Senior Warden's Report

Bill Adams asks that we call him any time at 512-525-9058 or email billadams@prodigy.net

Mike Watson suggests that we take a look at our website and consider how to update it. Much of the updating that occurred in 2018 was lost in conversion of the web platform by our supplier.

Meeting adjourned at 09:55. Next scheduled vestry meeting is February 17th at 11:30 in Hirst House.

Respectfully submitted by Mike Watson, Clerk of the Vestry

Approved at the 02/17/2019 meeting of the vestry.