

St. Mary's Vestry Meeting
August 8, 2012

The meeting was opened at 6:30 p.m. by Rev. Comer with prayer.

Present: Rev. Susie Comer, Sue Faulkner, Lola Cureton, Tulisha Carson, Robert Oliver, Bill Adams, Tom Hart, and Brian Williams, Victor Reed, Jan Denson, Judy Heatherly

Absent:

Visitor: John Cole, Charlotte Haine, Allina Morgan

Judy Heatherly moved to accept the minutes of the July 18, 2012 meeting as presented. Tom Hart seconded. Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report – (Tulisha Carson)

Tulisha Carson presented the treasurer's report. Discussion was held. Robert Oliver moved the treasurer's report be accepted as presented. Victor Reed seconded. Motion passed.

Jr. Warden's Report – Robert Oliver

- Reminder to have people with keys they do not need to turn them into the office or let Robert Oliver know what keys you have.
- Need to continue to ask people to close door between fellowship hall and hallway. The thermostat settings were discussed. Susie will turn them on Sunday morning at 7:15 am. The person closing the church and parish hall up for the day need to set thermostats as noted.
- Received historical society request to come in and take pictures of inside of church. Vestry approved and Sue Falkner will be available to let them in.
- Replacement of grass – Robert has not received estimate from Mike Hale. Suggested John VanWinkle be contacted to do the job.
- Request the city have someone to talk with vestry about what to be done to protect the church when the work begins on Fourth Street. Judy Heatherly will contact the appropriate person with request.

Sr. Warden's Report – Bill Adams

- Parish picnic on August 12, 2012 after the 10:00 service. Vestry responsible for meat and parishioners will bring covered dishes.
- Stewardship Conference in Houston August 11, 2012. Richard Hammett and Tulisha Carson will attend. They will report to the vestry at next stated meeting.
- Youth Group will start meeting after Labor Day. Tutoring/homework from 5:30-6:30 with Youth Group to follow. Discussion was held on tutoring provided by an outside entity on church property. Jan Denson moved not allow the church facility to be used by individuals or groups that are for profit. Judy Heatherly seconded. One abstention. Motion passed.
- Sunday School – Linda Joseph will be the chair of this program.

Rector's Report

- One week report Tuesday is now Eucharist instead of Morning Prayer. Plan to attend music and Saint of the Week.
- Will meet with Bishop Harrison on Sept. 4th and will discuss a visitation to St. Mary's. Rev. Comer would like an installation service.
- Meeting with alter guild. Training to streamline way to set up for service.
- Oct 21-24, 2012 is the Clergy conference
- Rev. Comer will be in the office on Tuesday and Wednesday.

Other Discussion items

- Changing the date of Vestry meetings was discussed. Third Wednesday of month at 6:00 pm was decided. Next three meetings will be September 19th, October 17, and November 14th.
- MOO Cards – get out into the community possibly through the chamber and hospitals.
- Need to order business cards for Rev. Comer. Judy Heatherly moved to purchase business cards and letterhead. Brian Williams seconded. Motion passed.
- Acknowledge Mimi Cole for taking care of scheduling visiting priest and Sue Faulkner for her help as the vestry went through the process of getting a new priest. Robert Oliver moved to send a \$100 donation to Trinity in Marble falls for offering their facilities to interview and hold service with Rev. Susie Comer. Brian Williams seconded. Motion passed.

Concern was voiced that few parishioners are attending coffee hour after the 10:00 AM service. How does the vestry energize the congregation to attend? Suggested to have a few round tables with chairs for a place to sit and visit. Suggested the vestry attend after church. Discussion was held.

Meeting was closed in prayer.

Adjourned 7:45 PM

Respectively,

Tami Martin
Vestry Clerk