

Memorial Church of the Good Shepherd
Vestry Minutes
November 9, 2009

Vestry Role	Name	Present	Excused
Voting	Wendy Tuck	x	
Voting	Larry James	x	
Voting	Larry Seevers	x	
Voting	Larry Tarrant	x	
Voting	Tim Northrup		x
Voting	Mark Miller		x
Voting	Kim VanMeter	x	
Voting	Sally Morgan	x	
Voting	Alan Parks	x	
Voting	Gwen Justice	x	
Voting	Sandy Tharp	x	
Voting	Trish Pritchard	x	
Voting Ex-Officio	Fr. Seville	x	
Non-Voting Ex-Officio	Hal Foss	x	
Non-Voting Ex-Officio	Paula Hoffman	x	
Visitors			

Opening Prayers led by Kim VanMeter

Open Forum - No Issues

Induction of new Vestry members Wendy Tuck, Gwen Justice, Sandy Tharp and Trish Pritchard was conducted by Fr. Seville.

Election of Vestry Officers were conducted. Wendy Tuck and Sally Morgan were nominated for Sr. Warden. Sally Morgan declined the nomination. Wendy was elected by acclamation. Larry James was nominated for People's Warden and was elected by acclamation. The Secretary position was filled by Trish Pritchard by acclamation. Hal Foss agreed to continue as Treasurer.

Secretary Report - October Vestry Minutes were approved as printed.

Treasurer's Report - Motion to receive and submit to audit carried.

Hal Foss conducted an in-depth review of the accounts for the new Vestry members to familiarize them with the Parish Assets and Expenses.

Reported receipt of distribution from Cather estate.

People's Warden Report - No Report

Facilities

Wed. Work Group

Special Committee Reports

Rector Search - Chair Alan Parks

Reported resignation of Sally Morgan from the committee. Committee recommendation to Vestry leave the position vacant rather than to bring a new member in this late in the process. Discussion of recommendation resulted in a majority vote to accept the recommendation and continue with the remaining 10 member committee.

Focus Group meetings have been scheduled and are in progress to gather input from parishioners.

Holy Cow on-line survey opens Nov. 16 10:00 am until Dec. 7th for all parishioners to provide input that will be used for the Parish Profile to assist in the search process. Assistance in completing the survey will be provided if needed.

Stewardship - Chair Linda Crocker

Stew and Talent Supper Nov. 15th

Standing Committee Liaison Reports

New Committee Liaisons were assigned.

Worship Service:

Acolytes - Gwen Justice

Altar Guild - Sally Morgan

Lay Readers - Alan Parks

Music - Larry Seevers

Worship - Larry Tarrant

Education:

Sunday School - Larry James

Building Community:

Parish Activities

Daughters of the King - Paula Hoffman

Preparation of the Advent bags for Shut-Ins is underway. Flu kits for Manna have been successful.

EYF - Kim VanMeter

Small Groups - Sally Morgan

Outreach:

Adopted Families - No report

Discretionary Fund - Ministries Coordinator Paula Hoffman

September funds were \$795.23. Total of 17 families were assisted.

12 - utilities 6/water & 6/electric

2 - prescriptions 1 - hot water tank

1 - gas for trip to Morgantown for Dr. appt.

1 - parishioner assistance

October funds were \$673.18. Total of 18 families were assisted.

14 - utilities 9/electric 1/gas 4/water

3 - prescriptions

1 - grave opening for neighborhood family \$200.00

Manna Food Pantry - 56 individuals from a total of 22 families assisted.

Gabriel Project - 8 families assisted with 5/diapers 3/clothing 2/furnishings 4/food

Outreach Committee - requested approval from Vestry for the Thanksgiving offering to be directed to Habitat for Humanity and the Christmas offering be split between Faithlink and the Gabriel Project. The request was approved unanimously.

Interim Rector's Report

Stewardship letter has been sent out. The Ven. Faith Perrizo will be filling in for Fr. Seville for the Nov. 22nd service.

Fr. Seville will be here during both Thanksgiving and Christmas. Christmas eve services will be at the usual times.

Old Business: None

New Business:

Good of the Order:

Flu Season and H1N1 pandemic caused concern raised regarding increased sensitivity for the potential for spreading the virus during worship while Passing the Peace. Two ideas for limiting exposure were discussed. 1 - a temporary modification to a Verbal expression of the Peace for 6 weeks. 2 - a recommendation Fr. Seville reassure the congregation to be sensitive to each other's comfort level with physical contact during that portion of the service and leaving the decision to each individual. The Vestry voted to have Fr. Seville make the appropriate remarks prior to the Peace.

Toni Devore's granddaughter was celebrated. Wendy Tuck expressed appreciation for the flower arrangement.

Fr. Seville's birthday was recognized.

Hal Foss support for the Faith Alive weekend in Henderson, Nevada was noted.

Meeting Adjourned 9:30 pm