

**Memorial Church of the Good Shepherd
July 12, 2009**

Special Vestry Meeting concerning Service Times and Sunday School Proposed Change.

Outline of the proposal from the June Vestry Meeting Minutes:

Service Times and Sunday School. Bob Crocker, Carolynne Cooper, Trish Prichard members of the Youth Ministries Council made a presentation asking for a 1 year trial of change to the schedule. The proposed schedule would look like this:

8:00 - 9:00 1st Service (Rite I)

9:00 – 9:15 Coffee

Quarterly Intergenerational Event with Breakfast, carrying through CE.

9:15 -10:00 Christian Education

10: 15 – 11:30 2nd Service (Rite II)

11:30 – 12:00 Coffee hour and Drama Group Practice, possible additional Adult Education.

Vestry moved to hold two town-hall meetings. The first meeting June 21 at 9AM and the 2nd meeting June 28 at 11AM. Motion was made by DeVore 2nd by Parks. Vestry members expected to attend both meetings.

The Town Hall meetings were held with Bob Crocker giving the power point presentations and Trish Prichard as scribe. All in attendance were encouraged to state both pro and con comments.

The July Vestry meeting was held July 12 for the sole purpose of Vestry Vote on the proposed change of service times for a 1 year trial.

Vestry Members Present: **Voting Vestry Members Present:** Berry, DeVore, Dotson, Doughty, James, Miller, Morgan, Parks, Seevers, Tarrant, and VanMeter.

Voting Vestry Members Excused: Northrup out of town

Voting Ex-Officio Present: Fr. Seville

Non-Voting Ex-Officio Present: Foss, Slusher.

Non-Voting Ex-Officio Excused: Hoffman.

The meeting was well attended and opened with prayer. Members of the congregation stated again their desires both pro and con. Discussion of clarification was held and all prayed for God's guidance in making this decision. A call to Question was made by Tarrant 2nd by Parks. Vestry voted to continue the debate. More discussion and prayer.

A vote was called and voting Vestry members were given a piece of paper with instructions; a YES vote indicated you were For the Proposed Change. A NO vote indicated you were Not In Favor of the Change. The Secretary read the votes aloud one by one. **Vestry voted down the proposed change and trial period.** Service times, Sunday School and Adult Forum will remain the same.

Motion to adjourn was made by Fr. Seville, 2nd by Miller. Meeting adjourned at 12:30 PM.

Minutes respectfully submitted,
Darlene Slusher, Vestry Secretary

