



Meeting of the Vestry
October 17, 2022, 5:15 - 7 pm

Vestry members present: Jed Dennard, Nancy Easterlin-Smith, Martha Evans, Grant Ford, Jodie Guest (Zoom), Gay Jolley, Man Martin, Jim Reese, Carol Roberts, Caroline Rose, Jon-Paul Roy, Leslie Uddin

Clergy present: The Rev. Monica Mainwaring, The Rev. Colin Brown

Call to order: The Vestry met in person in the library of the Church with the option to join via Zoom. Clerk certified a quorum and Mother Monica called the meeting to order at 5:15 (vestry photos 5-5:15) and led us in opening prayer.

Dwelling in the Word: Clerk read a passage from scripture, Luke 18:9-14, then group discussed what this story tells us about God and how it might resonate in our own lives and the life of the Church.

Clerk's report (Caroline Rose):

- Vestry approved September minutes.
- Next Vestry meeting scheduled for November 14.
- Caroline Rose will write Vestry update for November newsletter.

Rector's report (Monica Mainwaring):

- Feedback has been positive to Formation conversations around diversity, equity, inclusion and belonging. Group explored ways to broaden our membership by reaching a more diverse population.
- Rector will be the featured preacher on January 1 during *The Protestant Hour*, now known as *Day 1*, a Georgia-based weekly radio broadcast.
- As part of continuing education, Rector will visit with the Compass Rose Society, Anglican Consultative Council, and the Archbishop of Canterbury in early November.
- ONE St. Martin's service continues to grow in attendance and will continue monthly.
- Rick Callaway will serve as Sabbatical Clergy Leadership during rector's eight-week sabbatical next summer.

Treasurer's report (Jed Dennard):

- No additional pledges were received during September.

- We continue to close the budget gap, starting the year with a shortfall of \$337,098 and ending September year to date with expenses exceeding revenues by \$160,188.
- September revenues of \$74,245 were \$10,226 below budget, while expenses of \$110,648 were \$6,160 above budget. This was largely due to lighter offerings as well as landscaping and property maintenance expenses, and lump sum outreach grants to AMIS and Path to Shine. Other major expenses were offset by Endowment Fund grants.
- Value of investment accounts declined due to continued market downturn.

Senior Warden's report (Martha Evans):

- Vestry elections are going well, with 75 people having voted online and 15 in person. We will be moving the in-person voting table to make it more visible next week and will send a reminder to further increase participation.

Junior Warden's report (Grant Ford):

- Ongoing renovations to Lower Gable Hall look great. We are now seeking estimates for new flooring in the Sacristy and office area, as well as restoration for the parquet floors in the foyer.
- Also seeking quotes to repair the drainage issue in the old J2A room.

Associate rector report (Colin Brown):

- Ethan Page is making progress in his new role and is now in the process of building relationships. There is a need to focus on rebuilding J2A and Rite 13.
- Fr. Brown is taking a Stephen Ministry "train the trainer" course to be able to train other Stephen leaders.

Liaison reports :

- Outreach/Carol Roberts: Outreach Committee presented Endowment grant of \$7,500 to Emmaus House. Carol is now taking on the role of liaison to Emmaus, with which St. Martin's has a long history, to rekindle that relationship.

New business (Jed Dennard and Grant Ford):

- Budgeting process and strategic planning
 - Proposed budget revenue figures an 8% increase in pledged income as well as a 5% draw from St. Martin's investment account.
 - Additional expenses include a cost-of-living adjustment for staff, increase in property and liability insurance, and additional support for facilities management.
 - In line with our strategic vision, we are looking at ways to fund growth ministry through diversified sources of revenue.

Closing prayer (Monica Mainwaring)