

Meeting of the Vestry November 13, 2022, 5:00 - 7 pm

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

# Clergy present: The Rev. Monica Mainwaring

**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 5:00 and led us in opening prayer.

**Dwelling in the Word**: Vestry took turns reading passages from scripture focused on Christ as God's gift to us (John 3:16), and the gifts we have to give (1 Corinthians 12:1-14). We then reflected and shared the gifts we bring to St. Martin's, the gifts we receive as Members of the Church, and God's gifts to us.

### Clerk's report (Caroline Rose):

- Vestry approved October minutes.
- Vestry/staff Christmas party will be held at Sr. Warden's home December 9, and Vestry will not meet in December.
- Nancy will write Vestry update for January newsletter.

#### Rector's report (Monica Mainwaring):

- Congratulated Jodie Guest, recipient of Bishop's Cross Award.
- Attended the Compass Rose Society Meeting whose mission is to support the Archbishop of Canterbury by promoting the unity and purpose of the wider Anglican Church, and met members of the Anglican Consultative Council.
- Attended Diocesan Council of Atlanta with Vestry members Jim Reese and Martha Evans, all of whom said it was a positive and informative experience.

#### Treasurer's report (Jed Dennard):

- We received no additional pledges during October.
- YTD budget deficit of \$201,618 expected to close over November and December based on review of past three years.

• If needed, we can access investment account to fill gap.

# Senior Warden's report (Martha Evans):

• Endowment to fund new flooring for office and rug in sacristy. Secured volume discount on materials and will investigate wood restoration for parquet floors in entry and parlor next year.

### Junior Warden's report (Grant Ford):

- Currently seeking estimates to rectify concrete drainage issue in old J2A room.

# Liaison reports :

• SMES/Jodie Guest: Raised issue of previous agreement signed by Church when SMES middle school opened to maintain median from Windsor parkway to school. As Jodie is completing her Vestry tenure, we will need to continue discussions with City and SMES to identify a path forward.

# New business (Jed Dennard):

- Budget
  - Proposed 2023 budget based on an 8% increase in pledged income as well as a 5% draw from St. Martin's investment account.
  - Biggest expenses include replacing part-time facilities manager and sexton with a fulltime facilities manager; a 4-percent cost-of-living adjustment for staff; increase in cost of property and liability insurance; and co-funding security audit with SMES.
  - In line with our strategic vision, we are looking at ways to address the \$250k gap in proposed budget through new sources of revenue.
  - Budget approved

#### **Closing prayer (Monica Mainwaring)**