St. Paul's Episcopal Church

Vestry Meeting Minutes

December 10, 2023

Members Present: Beverly Cook, Richard Searcy, Carol Canter, Joe Fesperman, Gwen Temple, Ruth Harris, Julie Koch, Doug Merritt, Mother Stephanie Parker

Others Present: Drew Mayberry, Bill Harris

The meeting started at 11:47 a.m. with prayer.

Minutes: Richard Searcy made a motion that was seconded by Doug Merritt to approve the November 12, 2023 Vestry Meeting Minutes. The motion passed.

Financial Report: Drew Mayberry advised that income for the month of November was \$12,411.02 and well below budget. December is expected to be a better month. Expenses for November were \$28,858.79 and approximately \$8,000 below budget. The list of Dedicated Accounts is being revised. Crisis assistance is much better than last month. Step Ahead still needs some work. There are 15 people that have finished the class and earned grants totaling \$2,290.00. Currently, they are not doing contracts with any additional people. Mother Stephanie will meet with Step Ahead. As of now, there are 42 pledges totaling \$150,920.00 for 2024. The will be a financial budget meeting for the parish prior to the Annual Meeting. Joe Fesperman made a motion that was seconded by Gwen Temple to accept the November 2023 Financial Report. The motion passed.

Ministry Team Reports: Gwen Temple advised that the concert last week was a great success. ECW is working on the brick dedication for April. Joe Fesperman advised that talks about the Parlier house continue with Hospitality House.

Mother Stephanie will send out thank you cards for the pledges received. The annual meeting will be January 21st. The vestry retreat will be February 23rd and 24th. A vestry lunch is planned for January 14th.

The meeting ended at 12:42 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Bill Harris

Clerk of the Vestry