

St. Paul's Episcopal Church

Vestry Meeting Minutes

January 17, 2021

The Vestry convened virtually via Zoom

Members Present: Ruth Harris, Dave Barton, Tana Myers, Doug Merritt, Ramona Curtis, Doug Morris, Mark Williams, Richard Barber, Richard Searcy, Mother Stephanie Parker, Rev. Dn. Susan Whittington

Others Present: John Harwell, Bill Harris

The meeting started at 11:03 a.m. with prayer by Mother Stephanie.

Meeting Minutes: Ruth Harris made a motion that was seconded by Dave Barton to approve the December 20, 2020 Vestry Meeting Minutes. The motion passed.

Financial Report: John Harwell appreciated the attendance and comments for the Zoom Budget Meeting. Total income for the month of December was \$43,793.91. Historically, December is a good month for income. Staff insurance shown covers November and December. The Administrative Assistant expense is up due to paying Vanessa Greer for helping with the financial records. The Organist Expense included 60 days of severance pay. Income over expenses for December was \$9,150.79. There continues to be strong support for Crisis Assistance. The Fund Balance Statement shows \$30,148 for prepaid pledges for 2021 that will be shown as income on the January 2021 financial report. Overall, this was a good year financially which is a testament to the caring of St. Paul's parishioners. For 2020, 93% of the pledges were received. There are 57 pledges totaling \$235,000 for 2021. The end of year statements will be mailed out next week. Doug Morris made a motion that was seconded by Tana Myers to accept the December Financial Report. The motion passed.

Sr. Warden: Mark Williams thanked John Harwell for his time and dedication.

Deacon: Deacon Susan is doing pastoral care, outreach and appreciates the welcome she has received in returning. She thanked Mother Stephanie for the role of the Deacon.

Rector's Report: Mother Stephanie stated that it feels like we have been together for a long time. We still have a lot of work to do. She has an interview with a candidate for the parish administrator job. Vanessa Greer has agreed to cover the financial part and is helping out with other items. The choir director/organist positions will be addressed in the future. Ramona Curtis will provide the music for now. Mother Stephanie thanked Dave Barton, Ruth Harris and Tana Myers for their service on the vestry. The Annual Meeting next Sunday will be held via Zoom.

The meeting closed with prayer by Dave Barton at 12:26 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Bill Harris Clerk of the Vestry