

Vestry Meeting Draft Minutes
Thursday, 23 May 2019

Present: Rose Riley, Denise Paternostro, Fr. Tom Furrer, Rob Heath, Carol Jones, Leslie Jones, Tina LaMorte, Judy Shaw, Linda Traue.

Vestry Chaplain: Rebecca Scruton

Absent: Warren Blessing, Cheryl Lewis,

Meeting was called to order at 7:06 pm.

I. Opening Worship was led by Rebecca.

II. Mission and Ministry

Tom discussed his three-week trip to Nigeria where he visited the Kateri medical clinics and a refugee camp. God's providence was evident at every stage as the team ministered to the local people, often living in terrible poverty and with serious medical issues, on the team's travel between destinations. The enduring hope of the Nigerian Christians was inspiring. More than 7,000 people received medical help on this trip.

III. Minutes for the March 28, 2019 meeting were accepted as written.

IV. Wardens' Report

i. Upcoming Events

- Sal Basile, *Golden Oldies* Concert, Saturday June 8, 7 pm (To benefit Kateri Medical Mission)
- Baptism of Lulu Xavier, Sunday, June 16
- Keane Foundation 5K run on Sunday, June 2, 11 am. We will hand out water bottles.

ii. Thank you notes have been received from South Park inn

V. Treasurer's Report

Rob presented the quarterly financial report. For the benefit of new vestry members, he explained the structure of the monthly financial report and the purpose of each section.

The treasurer's reports for March and April were approved.

The Internal Controls Questionnaire, required annually by the Diocese, was reviewed and approved.

VI. Trinity 150th Anniversary Celebration

Rose reported on the current plans:

- i. A Festive Service and Reception is planned for Sunday, Oct 6 in commemoration of the incorporation of Trinity Church as a parish within the Town of Wethersfield. The Rt. Rev. Ian Douglas will be our celebrant at the Celebration of Holy Communion at 4 pm. This will be followed by a catered buffet dinner in the parish hall for an estimated 125 people including parish members, local clergy, diocesan clergy, past Trinity clergy, local and state dignitaries and other friends of Trinity Parish. The planning team for this event is collecting

cost estimates from several caterers. This will be financed through the Memorial Fund restricted fund.

Motion: To approve an initial working budget of \$5,500 for the reception and served buffet dinner to follow the anniversary service on October 6, 2019. (Rose/ Carol)
Motion was carried with one abstention.

- ii. Other activities in preparation include a Family Day celebration in February, an Organ and Harpsichord concert given by Bruce Henley in April, participation as a parish in the Keene foundation 5K, and our final celebration service and parish picnic on June 14, 2020. Other potential activities include: participation in the Cornfest festival, an interdenominational Thanksgiving service, and an expanded Lessons and Carols. Sal's Concert) for the Trinity 150 celebration raised approximately \$1,100.
- iii. The Trinity 150 team has selected a slightly different slogan from the one that we had planned to use earlier in the year. The new slogan for a 150th anniversary is:
Love God, Love Your Neighbor, Change the World!

VII. New Business

i. Refinishing of the Tile Floors

Motion: To contract with P & J Cleaning Service to refinish the non-carpeted floors in the parish hall at an estimated cost of \$1,665 with a maximum cost (which would allow for unexpected contingencies) not to exceed \$1,700. (Denise/Leslie)
The motion was carried.

Discussion: Three vendors presented cost estimates for stripping the floors and applying a new coat of sealer and three coats of wax. P & J Cleaning Service was selected, based on their competitive bid and good reputation. The work is expected to be completed in one week. Because rooms will need to be cleared and their contents stored somewhere, the refinishing work will be done in two phases. Items will be moved between the rooms to facilitate the refinishing work Parish volunteers are asked to help with this. Phase I: Parish Hall, Front Stairway – down to school, Back Hallway – both levels and stairs, Coat Room, Room adjacent to the stage. Phase II: Old Sacristy, Sexton's Room, Kitchen, Steps leading to the Sanctuary from the Parish Hall, Current Sacristy, Mail Room

VIII. Closing

Closing Prayer was given by Rebecca.
Meeting was adjourned at 8:48 pm.

Next meeting: Thursday, June 27 at 7:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Carol A. Jones
Parish Clerk