

St Martin's in the Fields

Vestry Meeting Minutes

April 17, 2018

Call to Order - Rev. Mitch Smith called the meeting to order at 6:00pm. He opened the meeting with a prayer. Mitch welcomed Emmett Kirwan as a new member of the Vestry.

Devotion – The devotion was given by the Rev. Mitch Smith.

Drop-In Nursery Report – Kathy Lentz gave the Drop-In Nursery report. She reported that they have registered 9 new children since March 20, 2018. The Drop In Nursery continues to be a blessing to all families. Each day it welcomes a new family. Kathy reported some sad news for the Drop In with the death of a family member of three staffers. She also reported that the special guests on Tuesday and Thursday continue to be great for our children. Kathy stated that 3 families from the Drop In have visited church services recently. She concluded her report by stating that she had attended an ESOL Spring Parent Meeting at Crayton to introduce and invite families to visit the Drop In and church. She took brochures of both ministries with her to share with the parents.

Approval of March Minutes – Julie Lumpkin made a motion to approve the March minutes. Alice McCrory and Nick Montanez seconded the motion and it was approved by the Vestry.

Diocesan Presentation – d'Rue Hazel – Canon to the Ordinary – She gave the Vestry an update on what is going on in the diocese. She began by stating that she was happy to be here with us and brought us greetings from Bishop Waldo. She reported that, as most of us know, Carrie Graves has gone to Baltimore to start her new job. The diocese is looking for a new person to fill her job. This person's title will be the Canon for Evangelism and Mission. Also, this person will have an assistant. She talked to us about the 3 areas of ministry the Capital Campaign will focus on. They are York Place, Young Adult/College Ministry – Canterbury, and Bishop Gravatt Conference Center. Also, she told us that St. Martin's has been invited to be part of a \$25,000 Lilly grant. The grant will be used to develop a program around the Baptismal Covenant for young people and young adults.

Invite

Finance Committee - Alice McCrory reported that Tom Conard and Leslie Hoover have resigned from the Finance Committee. She also reported that Michelle McDonnell is a new member of the Finance Committee. She noted that we are under budget.

Mission and Outreach Committee – The Reverend Mitch Smith made a statement of support of the Outreach Committee's break down and allocation of funds.

Nominating Committee – The Nominating Committee is speaking with all of the committees at St. Martin’s to gather information about each committee. They will get information from the committees out on paper. They hope to have it out before Sunday School begins in the fall. Their goal is to sign up new people to serve on the committees.

Welcome

Membership and Ministry Committee – There were over 600 people at both services Easter Sunday. Numbers were good at services during Holy Week.

We have had 5 visitors since March 20, 2018. We have 2 new members since March 20, 2018. There have been no transfers out since March 20, 2018. See report in the Vestry packet.

Building and Grounds Committee/Jr. Warden’s report

- Update on Community House – All work has been completed and it was finished before Easter.
- We have been given an anonymous gift of \$5000.00 to be used for landscaping.
- We need a dedicated space for the Crayton Backpack Ministry. It has been suggested to use the pantry opposite the kitchen in the Commons. The pantry is shared with the Hospitality Committee. We need to move the hospitality goods to a new space. We would place a sign outside the pantry for the Crayton Backpack Ministry.
- 5 – Year Preventive Maintenance Plan Update – Jack Myers gave the update. The plan will be completed well before Thanksgiving. He stated that letters will go out to all people with unpaid Capital Campaign pledges. Meetings will be held with people with unpaid Capital Campaign pledges as necessary.
- See report in Vestry packet.

Youth Minister

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- Confirmation is May 20, 2018. We have 11 confirmands.
- The youth would like to paint some of the walls in the Youth Loft. They would like to have black board wall and a wall for the graduating seniors to put their hand prints on.

Connect

Senior Warden’s Report –

Bill Case stated that the Budget Forums went well. Attendance was very good on the first Sunday. There were a lot of the same faces from the first Sunday that attended on the second Sunday.

He said that Easter went well. He would like to continue to have multiple VICs on Easter

Sunday.

Clergy Reports

Susan –

She stated that she is planning a pilgrimage for late summer 2019.

She is organizing a St. Martin's team to participate in the St. Jude's Marathon in Memphis, Tennessee on Dec. 1, 2018. We will do this to honor Myra Jackson who is a member of St. Martin's and has been treated at St. Jude's. The first meeting of those who are interested in participating is May 2, 2018 at 7:00 pm.

Susan stated that she would like to broaden the structure of Pastoral Care. She wants to find a way to run it simply without relying on 2 or 3 people.

Mitch -

Mitch announced the creation of the Clark Fund for Children and Youth Ministries. There is \$150,000 in the Transitional Fund and another \$750,000 will be added.

Mitch stated that it was one of the great honors of my life to serve during the Easter season at St. Martin's.

Mitch closed the meeting with prayer. The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Eleanor Hodges

2017/18 Vestry

Present: Bob Bell, Bill Case, Eleanor Hodges, Emmett Kirwan, Julie Lumpkin, Alice McCrory, Jack Myers, Nick Montanez, Allison Rashley

Absent: Cissy Grabowski, Jim Lamb