



St. Timothy's Episcopal Church

Vestry Minutes

January 9, 2016

6:30 pm

Parish Hall

Present: Fr. Derrick Hill, Bill Chimley, Rick Sommer, John Leavens, John MacCoon, Rev. Taylor Dinsmore, Kitty Kay, Buffie Harper, Nancy Ruby, Cathy Pyron, Tonda Rawls, Chip Langley, Cathy Robbins, Beth Hackett, Judith Miller.

Absent: none

We opened with prayer.

Meditation for Vestry Meeting: none

Visioning focus: discussion of Visioning teams. This was discussion primarily with the new members. Formation, Community, Organization and Stewardship are the 4 areas.

Staff Highlight: none

Consent Agenda December minutes (year end revenue delays reports for several weeks, so there is no financials). John MacCoon moved to accept, Chip Langley seconded. All approved.

Items for Decision & Discussion:

1. Vestry retreat – this will be here on Signal Mtn. this year. Friday night is dinner at the country club (6:30-9:00 pm). Saturday will be in the Parish Hall 9 am to approximately 3 pm.
2. Vestry assignments -
 - John MacCoon, Senior warden
 - Bill Chimley, Junior warden
 - Cathy Pyron, Clerk
 - Rick Sommer, Christian formation
 - Tonda Rawls, Administration
 - Judith Miller, Outreach

Cathy Robbins, Pastoral Care

Chip Langley – Building and Grounds

John Leavens – Worship

Buffie Harper – Stewardship

Beth Hackett – Evangelism

Kitty Kay – Parish Life

John MacCoon moved to accept this, Cathy Robbins seconded. All approved.

3. Stewardship update - 185 pledging units currently, \$748,243 so far are pledged. 32 units are new, 19 are outstanding, equaling \$57,014. Approximately \$15,000 of these are auto debits. \$805,257 is total possible pledge, though we may fall closer to \$790,000.
4. Bishop's visit January 29 – combined service at 10:30. Bishop's forum is at 9:15. (Jazz Vespers at 5 pm that day). The Vestry will meet with him after the church service. There was discussion of a reception after the visit. 15-20 confirmations/receptions are anticipated, and there will be 2 baptisms.
5. Interfaith dialogue panel will be Tuesday, February 21, at 7 pm, hosted at St. Timothy's - there have been several interfaith panels since the shootings in the summer of 2015.
6. Diocesan convention- will be Feb.10 in Knoxville. Paul and Judith Miller, Chip and Betty Ann Langley are the delegates.
7. Living local, joining God (LLJG) – this is an initiative that started in 2016. A discernment committee has looked into this, and has recommended St. Timothy's to join this. This program is to train in how to go out into the community, and listen to what is going on. Sarah Mackenzie, Snowe Greene, Willie Sommer, Paul Miller, Phil Mondy, Joe Galbraith, Sherri Bishop are the discernment committee.

Rector's Report:

- Southside Abbey at Heart Gallery is looking for support and leadership, since the current rector is moving. Fr. Derrick Hill and Rev. Taylor Dinsmore have volunteered for five Fridays (starting at 6:11 pm) between now and June to celebrate eucharist and provide food.

- Christmas was great!
- 2 thank you letters were signed by the Vestry.
- There was discussion of the 10:30pm Christmas Eve service.
- Attendance at 5 pm service is down from the past.
- Epiphany service on 1/6/17 was nice.

Wardens' Report:

- Communication is vital for all our ministries. Jenna is a great resource to get information and pictures out there on media.

Other Business: none

Closing Worship: Compline on p. 127 on the Book of Common Prayer.

We adjourned at 7:40 pm.