

Saint Andrew's Episcopal Church

February 2022 Vestry Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, February 9, 2022, 7:00 PM

Attendees: Steve Anderson, Kenneth Blankenship, Lisa Bailey, Rita Compton, Laura Hall, Erinn Monette, Kent Thompson, Davis Woods, Fr. Jeff, Fr. Christian, and Cynthia Carpenter

1. Devotional time was led by Rita Compton
 - Devotional assignments for remainder of 2022: **Mar**-Coughlin, **Apr**-Thompson, **May**-Blankenship, **June**-Hall, **Aug**-Woods, **Sep**-Anderson, **Oct**-Bailey, **Nov**-Monette.
2. January 12 Vestry Minutes approved unanimously.
3. Financial Review. Monthly and Annual PNL was reviewed and approved. We are very close to on-budget for revenue and expenses. Fr. Jeff reviewed 2021 church data (the Parochial Report), which is submitted to the Diocese and National Church annually. The different sections of the report were reviewed, approved, and formally signed, as appropriate.
4. Discussion of upcoming Easter services was discussed. All agreed that the outdoor service in 2021 was a big success but weather and logistics can be a problem. It was agreed that in 2022, we will schedule one indoor and one outdoor service.
5. Discussion of Vestry goals for 2022. Fr. Jeff led off the discussion about his future and what he sees as the future path of Saint Andrew's. Here is a recap of discussion points:
 - Fr. Jeff faces mandatory retirement in six years. In light of the past two years, he has a sense of how quickly time can pass and wants to have some degree of forward thinking. Typically, we plan a year in advance with an eye to three to five years.
 - Options for the back left wall of sanctuary: A meeting with Historical Committee and Building and Grounds generated much discussion. Preference was to use the original frame. The Lamb of God window had been moved across the sanctuary and is now behind the organ. Some would like an encased holder with either a banner, icons, or stained glass. Others want an actual window. The cost of brick work is less than \$3500. No immediate action, but a time of discernment.
 - There are currently three independent funding sources for the parish — the annual budget and savings; the endowment; and the foundation, which is an independent non-profit for the historic building. Research on feasibility of combining the foundation and endowment produced a negative outcome. The foundation cannot be rolled into the church endowment.
 - Each Vestry Member was challenged to provide their personal goals for their term of Vestry service. They were asked to send their goals to Fr. Jeff and Cynthia by Feb 17.
6. Building and Grounds Update. Jr. Warden Kenneth Blankenship discussed a recent issue with a sump pump circuit breaker failure, possibly due to low voltage or a power surge during a recent storm. This could have caused water back-up in the basement if not caught in time. For now, the breaker has been reset and is working properly.
7. Other Business. No other business discussed.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:10 PM.

Next Vestry Meeting is March 9, 2022 @ 7:00 PM.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

OSL HEALING UNIVERSITY: EACH THURSDAY AT 6:00 PM in the parish hall

PRE-LENTEN RETREAT: FEBRUARY 20, at 11:30 AM in the parish hall, sign-ups posted

ASH WEDNESDAY: MARCH 2, services at 6:30 AM, 12:00 PM, and 7:00 PM

PALM SUNDAY: APRIL 10

MAUNDY THURSDAY: APRIL 14

GOOD FRIDAY: APRIL 15

EASTER VIGIL: APRIL 16

EASTER SUNDAY: APRIL 17