

Vestry Minutes – July 24th, 2024
Submitted by the Clerk of the Vestry

Members in Attendance

Father Perry Mullins, Rector
Chris Mathew, Sr. Warden (zoom)
Scott Patterson, Jr. Warden
Jackie White, Treasurer
Jamie Stephens, Clerk
EJ Nowak
Ray Murphy
Judy Shaw
Tye Stewart
Todd Snively
Courtney Williams
Sara Hosford

Members Not in Attendance

Michelle Hayden
Julia Fox
Katrinka Clark

Non-Vestry Members in Attendance

Mother Katherine Heitmann
Mother Barbara Kelton

Call to Order, Prayers, Consent Calendar

Fr. Perry Mullins opened the meeting at 7:17pm. We added specific prayers to the prayer list. Todd discussed a Bible verse and reflected on how it meant to him in relation to his family.

Business

Stewardship update: Senior co-chairs are Benjamin Gerald and Julia Shahid, with the intent that Julia continue again next year as one of the co-chairs to provide continuity. Once the rest of the committee is confirmed, they will inform the vestry.

Insurance question: Church Insurance has offered an additional policy that would increase our cyber liability limit to \$1 million. Budget impact: \$700 annually. Discussion included potential exposures and risks. Fr. Perry proposed allowing Ray to evaluate the policy coverages and make a determination on behalf of the vestry. No vote was needed, but the vestry was in agreement without objection.

Discussion

Mission, Vision and Values presentation and discussion: The sub-committee members summarized the discussion that took place and how impactful and detailed the experience was. Fr. Perry said they met around a dinner table because they wanted the work to be relational. They said that they tried to choose words that conveyed and emphasized feelings. Mtr. Katherine talked about the cohesiveness of the group.

The presentation can be viewed here:

https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1lyP-tYFdPiCU9gsrBF4PkITqZxYcq9u6W7L2_Qs42Jg/edit?usp=sharing

There was a detailed discussion on everyone's thoughts regarding the statement presented: "We exist to worship Christ and freely share God's grace." Grace was discussed as a focus word and well liked by the Vestry.

The Vision statement was then discussed: "God is building a culture of spiritual growth and authentic relationships among generations, across differences, and beyond our doors." There was a lot of discussion

around the use of “through us” and use of passive voice, but the vestry decided in the end not to make any edits.

The values statement was discussed, but it was agreed that the subcommittee should go back and finish their work with the value statement, which will be rolled out on our website at a later date. The mission and vision statements will be

EJ Nowak made a motion to approve the Mission and Vision statements as presented and Scott Patterson seconded. The vestry unanimously approved the statements. They will be presented to the congregation on August 11th for Rally Day.

Announcements & Adjournment

Fr. Perry made the following announcements:

- Next meeting is Wed, Aug 28th @ 7:15pm

Todd Snively prayed on behalf of the vestry. Then Tye Stewart moved to adjourn and Scott seconded. The motion was carried unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 9:03 pm.

Approved:

Date: 8-28-24

Signed: 
Jamie Stephens, Clerk