

St. Francis Episcopal Church  
Vestry 3/29/2011

Attendees: Rev. Kelsey Hogue, Rev. Bob Manasek, Rev. Karen Anderson, Chris Kelly, Cindy Dickinson, Steve Trickler, Collette Suhr, Randy Yates, Vic Brenizer, Jane Sayre, Gina Shedd

This was an informal meeting, so these will be informal minutes.....

1. Members are asked to review the instruction booklets created by Sam Brown for our service volunteers and email Sam with comments.
2. Door mats are in need of replacement as current mats are worn and curling and creating a hazard. Vic and Cindy volunteered to measure for sizes and select replacement mats.
3. Directory pictures will be taken after services on Palm Sunday and Easter in an attempt to maximize the number of parishioners included in the directory. Chris will work with Bob Brown to contact members who have not yet been photographed. Plans to finalize the directory in the next 1-2 months.
4. Due to scheduling difficulties between Karen, Gina and Pam Roberts (facilitator from Colorado), we have been unable to accomplish a conference call to discuss options. Since summer is fast approaching, will now plan to have Kelsey, Karen and Bob M. meet with Pam and discuss ideas on how Pam might help St. Francis formulate a plan for the future. Then we'll aim for a meeting with Pam and the congregation in late summer or fall.
5. New roof--the parish was informally polled and most were happy with either the red or the orange. Vestry voted to go with Mission Red. Roofer can start any time this spring. We'd like to have the engineers design the cover for the back breezeway before installing the new roof. Kelsey and Chris will meet with them in the next couple weeks. We've received a \$26,000 check from the insurance company. They will send the final \$15,000 after completion of the roofing job.
6. Summer outreach idea--Kelsey met with ministers of 5 other churches involved with Co-op Ministries. They are planning a Habitat for Humanity build this summer near the Guadalupe Center. There is a tentative plan to incorporate a vacation bible school on 5 Saturdays in conjunction with the Habitat work days. Parents could bring their children to the VBS for the morning and go work on the Habitat house. The theme for VBS would be "Being Good Neighbors"--the Habitat build would be a concrete example of good "neighborship" for parents to show their children. Perhaps St. Francis would host the VBS on 2 of the Saturdays with focus on pre-school and early elementary age group. Other churches would host other days and other age groups. This entire plan is in its

infancy; Kelsey will continue to meet with Co-op ministries group. We will also poll our younger families to gauge the interest level.

7. Other outreach--The Presbyterians are planning to raise funds to build Habitat houses in Haiti. Rather than send a crew down there, they plan to send the money to employ Haitians who are in need of work. This will cost \$3000/house. Kelsey proposed we consider using some out-reach funds to subsidize this endeavor—we could donate \$1000 for each \$2000 raise by the Presbyterians thereby funding 1/3 of each Habitat house. Cindy moved that we adopt this out-reach project as out-lined above. Steve seconded. Motion carried.

8. Holy Week Plans--

- Wed 4/20--Soup supper as usual; Stations of the Cross at 6:15; Vestry at 7.
- Thurs 4/21--Maundy Thursday evening service; Presbyterians may participate
- Good Friday--3 hour vigil from noon to 3 with meditations directed by Kelsey focusing on Christ's last 7 words; Co-op service that night at one of the other churches
- Saturday Easter vigil will be held at Holy Apostles but we will not be formally participating because of the late start time after sunset. Parishioners will be encouraged to attend.
- Easter Sunday--usual services at 8 and 10

9. Hogues will leave on vacation after Easter services for 9 days of R&R in Mexico

10. Wes Aden (a former acolyte, back in the day) has voiced some interest in doing some gardening for St. Francis.

11. We need more Sunday School teachers.

12. Next Vestry meeting will be at 7pm on 4/20 following Stations of the Cross. This will be a joint meeting with the Foundation and treasurers of the parish and the Foundation. Finances of both entities will be reviewed. Also, we will discuss the Sabbatical situation which was included in Kelsey's letter of agreement. Kelsey will develop a few proposals that will be fair and equitable to both St. Francis and him. Also, Gina and Steve will meet with Kelsey to review his compensation package to make sure he is being adequately compensated. If there are any concerns, we will include some proposals for the Vestry's consideration at the next meeting.

13. And one more thing. The heaving floors will be addressed this summer after conclusion of the backpack program. The backpack and E-bay rooms will need to be emptied and floors taken up to determine the problem and potential solution. It's gonna be messy.

These minutes respectfully submitted by Gina.