

Vestry Minutes October 13, 2010

Present: Don Eigenberg, Vic Brenizer, Don Kepler, Kelsey Hogue, Sam Brown, Jane Sayre, Cindy Dickinson, Julie Fancher, Steve Trickler, Collette Suhr, Bob Manasek, Gina Shedd, Karen Anderson, Joyce Walsh Absent: Chris Kelley, Randy Yates

The meeting opened with prayer at 7:00pm.

Agenda Item - Approval of minutes
Minutes were approved as corrected.

Agenda Item - Financial statements:

Don Kepler presented financial statements as of September 30, 2010. Financials show that at the end of the 3rd quarter we are \$5,854.45 over our budget. There have been unexpected increases in insurance premiums and some one-time costs that had not been planned. Following discussion, the Treasurer's report was accepted.

Agenda Item – Pledging for 2011

It was the consensus that the pledge drive be "soft" in light of the continuing economic difficulties. Parish members will be sent a letter encouraging them to make a pledge with a positive emphasis on celebrating our accomplishments and remodeling success.

Agenda Item – Roof replacement

No report. Don Eigenberg will contact Schank Roofing. Fr. Kelsey will call the insurance company.

Agenda Item – New Vestry to replace those ending their term in 2011

Julie Fancher, Gina Shedd and Joyce Walsh will be retiring from the Vestry in 2011. Some suggestions for replacements were Johnny Selzer and Jill Young. Members were asked to come up with other possible nominees.

Agenda Item – Fr. Kelsey's sabbatical

Fr. Kelsey outlined the purpose of his proposed sabbatical to be an opportunity for him to attend a storytelling conference, to spend time at the seminary his father attended, to spend time at a church his family attended where all hymns are sung in harmony and to possibly spend time on the Isle of Iona – all as a way of renewing his spiritual energy. There were questions and discussion. The proposed sabbatical would probably occur in September, October, November of 2011. Grant approvals will be announced before December 15, 2010. If the grant is denied, an alternative will be considered.

Other business:

It was the consensus that a church newsletter would be worthwhile – perhaps quarterly. It would be sent primarily via email but with options for those who do not use computers. Fr. Kelsey will investigate further.

Wednesday Night Suppers will kick-off October 20. Shaved beef was selected as the first night's menu.

Meeting adjourned at 8:15pm with prayer.

Samala Brown
Recorder