



ATTENDEES:

Present: The Rev. Brian Cannaday	Jane Montgomery	Cheryl Tolbert
Melodie Keener	Susan Hill	
Sam Owens	Eric Zapp	
Sonny Morrison	Will Hensel	
David Crouch	Julie Howell	

The monthly meeting of the St. Christopher Episcopal Church Vestry was called to order at 6:30 P.M.

Fr. Brian opened with prayer followed by a well check.

Minutes – Corrections to last month’s minutes were noted. Cheryl Tolbert’s name was missing from those present, and Julie Howell’s name was omitted as a membership officer. A motion was made by Julie Howell, seconded by Melodie Keener to accept the minutes of the January Vestry Retreat meeting, as amended. Vote: unanimous.

Sr. Warden – No report.

Rector Report – Fr. Brian reported that the first Exploratory Task Force meeting took place yesterday 2/21/21. Fr. Brian, Sam Owens, Will Hensel and Melodie Keener are a part of that committee, which will meet once per month. A list of people and organizations to contact was prepared, and each member was given assignments. The congregation will be asked for their opinions regarding the 5.5 acre land development behind the church after Easter.

The church sustained two broken exterior water pipes as the result of the recent winter storm, and the water is currently turned off while repairs are being made. The campus will remain closed to the public due to no water. The first available date for repairs is next Monday, 3/1. The plumber making repairs is Lanco. Therefore, there will be no in-person church this week. The power was also out for 3 days. An insurance claim has not yet been filed. It looks as though 80% of the landscaping has been lost.

A new Adult Formation Class kicked off on Sunday. The Lenten class will continue through Palm Sunday.

The Diocesan Council is this weekend. Delegates from St. Christopher are Will Hensel, Ray McPhail, Carol Wiggs, and Pete Montgomery. Fr. Brian’s name is on the ballot for the Vestry of the Bishop Executive Board. He stated that it would be an honor to serve.

The contemporary worship leader search continues. Two interviews have been conducted thus far with another upcoming. Both interviews to date have been very encouraging.

We will not be resuming 3 services before Easter.

Old Business – 1) Glitches in the sound system are being investigated by Greg Oliver. It is working as of now, but new mics will soon be ordered.

2) St. Christopher has withdrawn our participation from the Kemah Sunrise Service. In order to participate this year, we would have needed full Diocesan guidance.

New Business – Repairs to parking lot potholes were discussed. Dan Keener got 3 quotes, with the best price coming from Lone Star Paving and Construction at a cost of \$2,450 for approximately 450 sq. ft. of paving with a 5 year warranty. Eric Zapp recommended taking the money from the building or memorial fund. After discussion, it was agreed that the building fund is the most appropriate. A motion was made by Jane Montgomery, seconded by Will Hensel to take \$2,450 from the building fund for parking lot repairs. Vote: unanimous, motion carried.

Every Member Canvass – Jane Montgomery and Julie Howell will co-lead the effort. A script has been prepared, and lists of 18 or less contacts will be distributed among Vestry members. The deadline to finish the calls is March 31st. In addition to requesting contact updates, members will be asked to upload their pictures in the Breeze app. The vestry will have resource information for COVID vaccines and a list of reliable plumbers, drywallers, etc. provided by Farmers Insurance, as well as contact information for 4B Disaster Response Network to provide to those in need of assistance with the vaccine or storm repairs. Fr. Brian asked to be advised if anyone speaks with an angry or disgruntled member.

The recent food drive was a big success! Future food drives, coordinated by growth groups, are planned for March 28th and April 18th.

Lighting updates are complete in both the parking lot and inside the building.

Treasurer's Report – Eric Zapp presented the Treasurer's Report. From a cash position, things look very good. Current assets (cash) are \$344,000 and liabilities are \$284,000. Compensation for the new contemporary worship leader will be in the \$16,000 range. Will Hensel moved, seconded by Melodie Keener to accept the treasurer's report. Vote: unanimous, motion carried.

There being no further business before the Vestry, the meeting closed with prayer by Will Hensel. The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, March 15, 2021 at 6:30 P.M.