

## Minutes of the Vestry

St. Peter's Episcopal Church April 3, 2016

**Attendance:** Fr. Furman, Fr. Dorian, Shannon Lawton, Sandy Hemphill, Wade Smith, Erin Ryan, Mary Pauly, Suzann Adams, Brad Klutz, Madison Powell, Tony Scalzitti, Larry Neal, Shannon Lawton, Deb Yochum, Kathleen Brady

Absent: Clerk Shelley Hendershot, Treasurer Laura Foster

**Call to Order, Approval of Minutes:** The meeting was called to order at 6:15 pm.

Motion by Tony and seconded by Sandy to adopt minutes from the March meeting with correction under new business to change "wife" to "wifi".

**Gospel Reflection:** The NRSV passage about the Royal Welcome (Matthew 21: 1-11) was read by Brad Klutz, and The Message was read by Sandy Hemphill. Discussion followed.

**Guest Reports:** None, but we expect a presentation on the kitchen renovations in an upcoming meeting.

### **Discussion:**

- The ad hoc parish retreat committee met and made several recommendations to the Wardens and Fr. Furman. Those recommendations were:
  - We feel that we should pursue a retreat early in 2018 at Kanuga, per the survey results and talking with Kanuga
  - None of the four of the ad hoc committee members feels that we have the time to head up a retreat committee; however, we believe that there are others at St. Peter's who would be willing to do so. Vestry asked for suggestions (Rachel Morse, Katrina Hereford, Jason Cheek, Tina Neal, Sue Bunnell, Margaret Boineau, Beck Sullivan, Malissa Hawkins). The ad hoc committee would act in a liaison role.
  - We also think the Vestry should consider underwriting the expense of the retreat. Although scholarships might be available, we think an infusion of funds up front would defray costs for all and make attendance feasible for more folks. The committee could suggest an amount to the Vestry. Perhaps kids could go free.

Discussion about costs, date, moving the process along. The ad hoc committee will approach parishioners to constitute the official retreat committee

## **DECISIONS**

### **Old Business:**

- What to do with endowment funds: Kitchen renovation suggested. Also, Laundry Love (this ministry has become very popular). Decision deferred.
- Strengths Finder meeting is scheduled for May 1, 6:30 at Kathleen's house. Everyone is invited to bring an appetizer / munchie.

### **New Business:**

A time of celebration for the Del Priore family is scheduled for Friday May 5 at 6:30. A catered drop-in. We may adopt a Cinco de Mayo theme. Suggestions taken for committee members to help plan the party. Gift(s) discussed.

### **Rector's Report:**

Fr. Furman distributed a written report and highlighted several concerns about parishioners and other issues.

### **Treasurer's Report:**

In the absence of Laura Foster, there was no treasurer's report. Laura is working on month-end and will forward a report to the Vestry.

There being no further business, the meeting ended at 7:55pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathleen Brady

For Shelley Hendershot, Clerk of the Vestry