



"Disciples of Jesus, Discipling in love"

VESTRY MINUTES- April 25, 2017

Church of the Apostles glorifies God by celebrating the healing power of the Holy Spirit through prayer, praise and worship that overflows into community, living the joy of knowing Jesus as Lord and Savior.

O Lord God, heavenly Father you cannot be contained by space or time, yet you are pleased to dwell in the midst of your people, and have moved us to set apart a space in which we can come together to pray, worship and serve you and the people you love: Accept and bless the work before us in acquiring and building this space, that it may be brought to completion to honor the glory of your name; through Jesus Christ our Lord who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God in all time and place. Amen

Vestry present: Tyler Aberle, John Stock, Jane Campbell, Mary Edwards, Gayle Fischer, Judith Heisinger, Daniel Klein, Tamara Otten, Joseph Acanfora (Rector), Phil Rooney (Treasurer)

Absent: Andy Harris

7:15 PM: Opening Prayer/Praise/Devotional discussion – Genesis 32:22-32

In the devotional time we noticed how God's blessing came after his renaming Jacob- Israel, reflecting his character and circumstance.

Jacob is meeting up with his brother, Esau, and he is in great fear. He is ready to give him all that he owns, and has placed all of that (people and possession) in between Esau and himself. Jacob spent the night wrestling with an angel. The God of Jacob was to an individual. After wrestling all night and asking for a blessing, God renamed Jacob Israel and his descendants became a great people and God was the God of the this people. God dislocated his hip to make him humble. How do we wrestle with God and how is He humbling us?

After our devotional discussion there was a brief discussion about who would assume the duties of the Registrar. Mary has volunteered to do it with Tamara possibly sharing the duty later in the summer. Gayle moved that Mary be nominated as the Registrar at this time. Judith seconded.

1. Building update – We received an update from Phil Rooney and Joe Acanfora on the bids for the building project. While the bids came in considerably higher than expected, our rector and finance committee are working with prospective builders and our finance team to bring the building project within our budget.
2. Finance update – Phil Rooney shared an update on our Financial Summary for 2017 Budget Summary & Expenses thru March 2017.
3. Upcoming Retreat May 12-13: meet at office at 3:50 to leave by 4 pm. Read Jonah – Due to Andy and Judith not being able to attend we are considering postponing the vestry retreat. Joe is checking on availability of other dates at Loyola.



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4. Willow Springs – We are still encountering difficulties in trying to partner with the school. This coming week is Teacher Appreciation Week and we will be giving platters of homemade cookies to the school for the staff to share.
5. Other – We had discussions regarding the Greeters Ministry – how many greeters do we need and where should they be positioned, Video Announcements – when should they be played, and how should they be brought to people's attention, and during the Prayers of the People – we need to consistently pray for our missionaries.
6. Upcoming Vestry Meeting Schedule: May 23, June 27, July 25, August 26. Other

Closing Prayer: Ever living God, whose will it is that all should come to you through your Son Jesus Christ: Inspire our witness to him, that all may know the power of his forgiveness and the hope of his resurrection; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

At 10:00 pm Jane moved that we adjourn the meeting. Judith seconded. The motion passed unanimously.