

Vestry Minutes Summary

August 27, 2013

- The meeting was called to order by Kevin Williams, Senior Warden.
- The meeting began with Holy Eucharist and dinner.
- Kevin introduced our new secretary, Elizabeth Morgan, who was pressed into service immediately.
- Tom McDowell, parish administrator, and Carolyn Twisdale, treasurer, reported and informed the vestry that some of the employee benefits were being put out to bid because of an increase in cost. Also there was a report that most departments were staying within their budgets.
- Bank drafts for pledges were up significantly during the past year. The number of pledge cards is down, but the amount being given has increased.
- The clergy reported pastoral issues to be cared for first in David's absence. The clergy also said they are united in the ministries of St. Paul's and in particular, the parishioners.
- Tom Murray reported The Men's Group has agreed to put on a breakfast each Sunday from 8:30 – 9:30 a.m. The charge is \$2 per person, with children under age 6 free. Breakfast begins September 8.
- Darby reported the clergy will keep all programs on course.
- Chantal said the new service schedule promoted Sabbath Living as with the Lenten Series on 24/6. On September 8, a "ministry moment" will provide insight as to the Sunday service time changes to 8:00 and 10:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.
- Mike reported 25 new volunteers for Kids' Café and an increase to 46 kids.
- Discussion on ushers and their importance as a first face as seen when entering the church promoted the idea that the VOD could assist however needed at the particular service.
- Ed Colhoun reported that Anne Dunn will be at the next meeting to update us on the Long Range Vision Implementation.
- The area under the oak tree at the west parking lot entrance is being refurbished and a new stone wall is being provided by the Nancy Pixley Wilson Garden funds with the oversight of Janice Lewis of the Buildings and Grounds Committee.
- Work will commence around the preschool schedule. Judy Ingram's move is almost complete in the preschool area.
- Security locks and a buzzer for entrance have been installed.
- The Bazaar was in doubt because of the inability of finding a chairperson and enough volunteers. Work continues on the subject.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.