Minutes of the St. Michael & All Angels Vestry Meeting December 21, 2015

Meeting convened at 6:35 pm.

<u>Present:</u> Rector Kevin Huddleston; Sr. Warden David Wiggins; Jr. Warden Bob Carlson; Treasurer Win Zoellner; Secretary Lindsay Mohn; David Schlomer; Ronda Barker; Jerry Cormack; Debbie Treglia; Mike Meng; Judy Miksch; Leta Anderson; Stephanie Stratemeier; Damon Matthews <u>Absen</u>t: Elizabeth Gooch; Kent Jackson

Mr. Schlomer opened the meeting by reading a 17th century Nun's prayer.

Ms. Anderson opened the gathering time by asking what the Vestry felt it had accomplished during the prior year. Then she asked the Vestry to think ahead, and to consider the challenges and the opportunities possible in the year ahead.

Rector Huddleston requested the Vestry go into Executive Session to discuss a few confidential issues. Once out of ES, Father Huddleston made a point of discussing a number of things that are going well. The online pledging process is being worked out.

Sr. Warden Wiggins reported that the Nominating Committee had several individuals in mind as potential Vestry members. Those people will be contacted to determine their interest in serving the church in that capacity. The slate will be presented at the Annual Meeting.

Jr. Warden Carlson reported that it was necessary to replace one of the 40 gallon water heaters. After receiving a repair estimate from a plumber, it was determined that Sexton Jerry Kirkwood was able to do the same job for approximately one third of the expense (\$1,010). The job will be completed by 12/22. There is a radiator located just below the organ pipes at the north end of the building. The temperature changes cause the organ to go out of tune. It was determined that the radiator can be bypassed. Jr. Warden Carlson approved an expense of \$380, and will request that money from the Organ Fund be used to pay for this project. Jr. Warden Carlson provided a copy of his report in advance of the meeting. In it, he outlined the items above, and also provided a prioritized list of improvement projects for 2016. The B&G Committee is evaluating each project and how it might be funded. Dr. Walker would like new risers and flooring in the choir loft. Much of this project can be done by volunteers, except for the floor installation. The choir has funds to pay for this improvement. The Gardening Angels are going to plan a biannual work day to partner with the B&G Committee to work on the areas of the campus that are outside of their normal area of responsibility. Patti O'Neill is determining what it would cost to install low voltage lighting in the garden. Currently the system is powered by a 110V service, and although it is not activated while the Gardening Angels are working, it is still a potential hazard. Lastly, there is a small section along the south drive where the curb is crumbling. The concrete in the visitor parking area also needs to be repaired.

Treasurer Zoellner reported that parishioner Liz Beedle has been hired as parish Accountant. She has a business and banking background. Ms. Beedle has updated and mailed current pledge statements, but is several months behind in reconciling the bank statements since she just started the job. The budget is a work in progress and it was determined that the January Vestry meeting be rescheduled to 1/25/16 in order to give the Finance Committee as much time as possible to draft the budget. The Line of Credit will be paid down by \$120K by 12/31/15. The loan balance will be split between the LOC and a term loan.

Father Huddleston reminded the Vestry to reply to Gaye Lynn if they are attending the holiday party being hosted at their home on 1/3/16.

There were no corrections or additions to the November minutes. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:10 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Lindsay Mohn Clerk of the Vestry