

Minutes of the Saint Michael & All Angels Vestry Meeting
October 17, 2016

Meeting convened at 6:30 pm.

Present: Rector Kevin Huddleston; Senior Warden David Wiggins; Junior Warden Bob Carlson; Secretary Lindsay Mohn; Dahl Metters; Leta Anderson; David Schlomer; Scott Schaefer; Debbie Treglia; Bob Skaggs; Ronda Barker; Allie Marquis; Lindsey Hill

Absent: Treasurer Win Zoellner; Stephanie Stratemeier; Mike Meng

Meeting opened with a 'Dwelling in the Word' exercise.

Ms. Treglia led the Pledge Drive report for the team. She told the Vestry that the theme will look back to STMAA's 'Founding Fathers'. It will be named 'Generations of Generosity'. A cover letter will go to all parishioners along with an informative brochure and a pledge card. Commitment Sunday will be November 20th. The committee will need volunteers to pass out pledge cards at services. There will be speakers at most of the services addressing their personal Stewardship journeys. It is worth advising parishioners that credit card pledges incur a 2% fee. Using a debit card incurs a lower fee, but checking account deductions are free. The budget will be set with a \$1.2M goal. The committee will consider having bookmarks made with the pledge prayer on one side. There may be a follow-up drive in the spring to address parishioners who do not pledge during this calendar year as well as new members. It was noted that Easter will be on the late side in 2017 (April 16th).

Father Huddleston reported that they have hired a new part-time administrator to work at the front desk. She will be on duty from 9:30 - 1:30 Tuesday - Friday. Father Huddleston highly complimented Liz Beedle on her work to clean up the financial reports and for her willingness to take on some new duties. Art Menke has volunteered to act as overall coordinator to recruit a new Youth Minister. There were 12 individuals at Youth Group last Sunday. Confirmation information was distributed to the Vestry for their information. Father Kevin reviewed the Canons and By-laws regarding the Vestry nominating process, and created an information sheet showing the approximate time commitment and types of duties of a typical Vestry member. He also provided a nomination form for each person's use. Sr. Warden Wiggins will email the Nominating Committee about the potential for 'meeting' via a conference call. Father Kevin said that Father David was at Credo last week. It is a ten day retreat put on by the church pension fund. Kevin+ will be attending his son Nathan's ordination, and will therefore be away from 10/23 - 10/30.

Sr. Warden Wiggins reported that Jerry Cormack has been responsible for putting up the hymn numbers for the Sunday services for the last 2.5 years, and has sent a letter of resignation from that commitment. There was discussion about whether to try to find someone to take this over. It was agreed that gratitude for Jerry's dedication to this ministry should be printed in the newsletter. Hurricane Matthew passed directly over Torbeck, Haiti. The church on the site is not salvageable, and the Rectory was damaged. The school is not in bad shape. Updated estimates for the repairs, which are now at \$13K will be sent as they are available. The Haiti Committee can send \$10K right now. Parishioners who would like to help can make an online donation on the STMAA website. The Shrove Tuesday pancake fundraiser will be dedicated to Haiti.

Jr. Warden Carlson reported that Jim Cook has been hired as the new night Sexton. They are still looking for a Sunday Sexton. Progress has been made on the choir loft modifications. Unfortunately, HVAC system issues continue to come up.

The September Financial Highlights were circulated. Further, a comprehensive Balance Sheet and Operating Fund for the period ending September 30th were available on request. In general, revenue continues to be ahead of the prior year, and expenses are favorable as well, in spite of the apportionment and pension expenses that should have been paid in 2015. Salary expenses should be lower in the months ahead due to staffing changes. The Finance Committee hopes to pay off the line of credit, which has a \$30K balance, in about a week. The Operating Fund balance is \$67K. There being no corrections, the minutes were accepted as written.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm.
Respectfully submitted,

Lindsay Mohn
Clerk of the Vestry