

## Vestry Minutes

October 20, 2011

The meeting was opened with prayer by Fr. Paul at 6:15 p.m.

**Present:** Fr. Paul, Rich Page, Dean Logemann, Linda Council, Allan Creely, Yvonne Franklyn, Emily Gustafson, Lee Kulbitski, Joe McCulley, Steve Merrill, Ken Sagendorf, Marilyn Wright, and Diane Dennison

### REPORTS:

**Fr. Paul:** The minutes of the September 15, 2011 Vestry meeting were approved as written after a correction of those vestry members absent.

**Finance:** The financial state of the church remains positive with income approximately \$9.7k ahead of estimates. YTD expenses are under spent by \$11/7k. The financial report is attached as Exhibit A.

### Ministry Teams Reports:

Sending: Joe reported that the next meeting is scheduled for November. An article on Pilgrim Companion will be in the November *Archangel*.

Gathering: Fr. Paul reported that the Gathering Team will be hosting a hymn sing on October 26.

Connecting: The next meeting is Monday, November 14. Yvonne reported that the Women's Luncheon and Fashion show was a great success. Emily will write a note to Donna Carraway, thanking her for her good work with the luncheon. A pictorial directory will be in the works after the first of the year. The team will take over the SMASH activities in the future. There is also a white elephant event that will take place on December 10.

Nurturing: Emily reported that a meeting had been held and that as of the past Sunday the high school youth group is meeting at the same time as Sunday School.

### Other Business:

Long Range Property Plan: The purpose of the plan is to undertake a long range planning effort to ensure that adequate funds are planned and programmed to meet the property upkeep and maintenance requirements for the future. A copy of the plan is attached as Exhibit B. This tool will be used for annual budget planning. In the past, the budget has included a category for maintenance with a separate fund for projects. In the 2012 budget these categories will be combined with \$10k-\$15k extra going into the maintenance side. The allocated money will be held over from one year to the next if it is not spent on those maintenance items. Further discussions on this were tabled until the next meeting.

Allan reported that a Columbarium Committee is going to be formed to establish a policy on the maintenance and care of the area. Their first meeting will be on November 20 between the services.

Ken reported that the Barbeque Ministry now has an executive committee consisting of Sally and Dave Hubbell, Bob and Kay Wettemann and Joe Hattick. The first barbeque bucks may be redeemed this weekend. This committee will sponsor scholarships for children who would like to go to camp at Cathedral Ridge.

Dean reported that Carl Gould has been taking care of the lawn in the front of the church for the past twenty years and he is ready to give that up. Dean will have a note in the *Archangel* thanking Carl for his good work, and soliciting volunteers to take over this job that takes about one hour a week during the summer.

Diocesan Convention in Grand Junction: This year's delegates were Joe McCulley, Dean Logemann, Lee Kulbitski, Marilyn Wright and Steve Merrill. They reported that the seminars were informative. The key note word throughout was "Imagine" and the message that God isn't finished with us yet and that we need to get over the word Evangelism.

Joint Vestry Ministry Team Co-Leader Meeting: Rich reported that the meeting will be held on Saturday, November 5th starting at 8:58. He encouraged everyone to be there to discuss transition issues and planning for the future.

**Motion by Senior Warden:** With sadness at his departure and deep gratitude for his years of servant ministry at St. Michaels, the Vestry accepts Fr. Paul's resignation for retirement. The last Sunday he will be with us as our rector will be December 4. In light of unused leave days in 2011, the treasurer is authorized to pay Fr. Paul full pay and benefits through 31 December, 2011. **Motion was seconded and passed unanimously.**

Meeting adjourned at 7:25 p.m. followed by private Skype meeting between Vestry members and potential Interim Rector.

Diane Dennison  
Clerk of the Vestry

**Next Meeting: November 17th, at 6:30 p.m.**