

His Church Anglican  
Vestry Meeting  
August 17, 2011

Present: Pastor Allen, Senior Warden, Mike Figura, Junior Warden Gary Palmer, Tom Bertino, Dave Simmons, Mary Ann Sulick, Russ McDonald and Marcia Fish.

Absent: Mary Darnell and Zach Frey.

The meeting opened with prayer at 7:05 PM. Pastor Allen welcomed Tom Bertino to the Vestry and noted that Lenn Mercer had resigned his position.

During discussion of 1 Corinthians 12 and 13, it was noted that the parish needs the whole body and that the gifts that individuals receive are for the whole body.

The minutes of the May 25 and June 22 meetings were approved as presented.

In the report of the Finance Committee meeting it was noted that:

1. It would be good to have a "Christ Fund," the purpose of which would be primarily to assist members of the congregation who are having financial difficulties. We will be looking for some members to be administrators of the Fund.

2. Mike Figura is in the process of writing down the description of each existing fund. He is using information from previous meetings and will share the results with the members of the Vestry so they can be approved at a meeting.

3. Russ pointed out that our account with the landlord of the building where the office is located is now up to date.

Rector's Report: Pastor Allen noted that he has been spending time arranging for various kinds of assistance for several members of the parish. Several members of the parish are already involved in assisting some of those he has been meeting with. He noted that it is relatively easy to start a help project, but that he will need help keeping some of them going.

Pastor Allen also stated that he has purchased a copy of the book Radical, Taking Back Your Faith from the American Dream by David Platt for each member of the Vestry to read and discuss and that he would give them out on Sunday.

In response to the request to establish a Christ Fund, the motion to approve the Fund by starting it with \$2,000.00 from a recent donation of \$5,000.00 to the General Fund was approved. The motion included the authorization for the administrators to spend up to \$1,000.00 per need without having to get additional permission from the Vestry. Activities by the Fund will be included in the monthly Financial Report. People who are helped by the Fund will be told that, if possible, they can repay the gift by making a donation to the Fund.

During Committee Reports Mary Ann reported on the Potluck Dinner held on August 4 and noted that there will be a Picnic after the 10 AM service on September 11 and a dinner for Marcia on Wednesday, October 5. Justin Z of our Sister Parish in Rwanda will be with us for several weeks in September starting about the 11th.

Pastor Allen stated that the woman he had hoped to hire as the Administrative Assistant has decided to move to Florida. He shared copies of the description of the position and one change was suggested.

New Business: The motion to establish the second Wednesday of the month as the regular meeting date for this Vestry was approved. The resolution did not amend the By-Laws so that after elections in January, each new Vestry can change that day if necessary.

Homework for the next meeting will be to read Chapters 1, 2 and 3 of Radical.

The next meeting will be on Wednesday, September 14. The format for the meeting will be:

1. Intercessory Prayer for the Parish at 6 PM.
2. Dinner with Bible study taught by Pastor Allen at 6:30 PM
3. The meeting will begin at 7:15 PM

A date and time for the September Finance Committee meeting will be established by the Committee.

The meeting adjourned with prayer at 8:30 PM.

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